

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Box Butte) Application No. 911-023.30
County, Public Safety Answering)
Point, Alliance, seeking funding) ORDER APPROVING FUNDING
approval for recurring and non-)
recurring costs of Enhanced)
Wireless 911 implementation.) Entered: March 31, 2009

BY THE COMMISSION:

By written request for funding received January 7, 2009, Box Butte County, Public Safety Answering Point, Alliance, (Box Butte County) seeks funding from the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund (Fund) for implementing and providing enhanced wireless 911 service.

In its application, Box Butte County seeks funding for five years software maintenance totaling **\$18,984.00** paid in annual installments commencing May 1, 2009. Box Butte County has entered into a contract with GeoComm, Inc. (GeoComm) for the five-year maintenance of GeoLynx software and has provided a copy of the contract with its request for funding.

The Enhanced Wireless 911 Advisory Board considered Box Butte County's request at its January 26, 2009 meeting and recommended that the Commission approve payment in full. All amounts requested are consistent with GeoComm's response to the Commission's RFP as amended and approved by the Commission on June 24, 2008 in Docket No. 911-011/PI-79. In its contract with GeoComm, Box Butte County authorizes the Nebraska Public Service Commission to remit payments directly to the vendor.

O P I N I O N A N D F I N D I N G S

This request for additional funding is being processed pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 86-442 to 86-470. (Cum. Supp. 2008), 291 Neb. Admin. Code, Chapter 1, Section 5, Progression Order No. 5 in Commission Docket No. 911-001, entered July 16, 2002 and the Interim Policy established in Progression Order No. 1 in Commission Docket No. 911-017/PI-116, entered February 13, 2007 (Interim Policy).

Costs requested are eligible under Neb. Rev. Stat. § 86-465 (Cum. Supp. 2008). All costs have been incurred or will be incurred for the provision of Phase II wireless enhanced 911 service.

The Commission finds that payment should be made to GeoComm in the amount of **\$18,984.00** pursuant to the terms of the contract for recurring costs. Payments shall be made on an annual basis as set forth in the contract over a five-year period and the total amount of all five payments shall not exceed **\$18,984.00**.

The Commission reserves the right to modify any costs associated with this funding request consistent with amendments to the Interim Policy or the establishment of a permanent funding mechanism.

If the Nebraska Legislature fails to appropriate or authorize the expenditure of sufficient funds to provide for the payment of costs from the Fund or, if a lawful order issued in or for any fiscal year during the term of the contract reduces the funds appropriated or authorized in such amounts as to preclude making the payments from the Fund, the Commission will not be responsible for any costs not reimbursed by the Fund.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the request for funding of Box Butte County shall be granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Commission shall remit to GeoComm the amount of **\$18,984.00** pursuant to the terms of the contract for recurring costs. Payments shall be made on an annual basis as set forth in the contract over a five-year period and the total amount of all five payments shall not exceed **\$18,984.00**.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 31st day of March, 2009.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director