

SECRETARY'S RECORD, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska) Application No. 911-042.34
Public Service Commission, on)
its own motion, seeking to)
administer funding for public) ORDER TO CEASE FUNDING
safety answering points for the)
implementation and provision of)
Enhanced Wireless 911 service:) Entered: January 12, 2021
Polk County

BY THE COMMISSION:

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

On or about March 30, 2010, the Nebraska Public Service Commission (Commission) opened the above-mentioned docket, on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service.

On March 18, 2020, Polk County Public Safety Answering Point ("Polk County") filed an application for annual 911 funding with the Commission. On May 5, 2020, the Commission approved an annual allocation of 911 funding for Polk County in the amount of \$47,442.07 for the 2020-2021 funding year.¹

On December 29, 2020, Polk County ("Polk County") informed the Commission that it had ceased answering 911 calls and consolidated its 911 services with the City of Columbus Public Safety Answering Point ("Columbus"), effective December 28, 2020. As a result, Columbus now answers and dispatches all 911 calls for Polk County, and has done so since December 28, 2020.

As of December 28, 2020, Polk County had \$21,564.60 remaining of its wireless allotment for the 2020-2021 funding year. Because Polk County no longer has an operating public safety answering point ("PSAP"), the remaining Polk County funding allotment for the 2020-2021 funding year should be transferred to Columbus and added to the annual funding allocation for Columbus for the 2020-2021 funding year. In addition, Columbus should also receive any remaining wireless 911 funds, including any set-aside funds, held by Polk County after making any adjustments that may be required based on the completion of a final audit of the Polk County accounts.

¹ *In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to implement provisions of LB 1222 [2006] and to establish a permanent funding mechanism for wireless enhanced 911 service, App. 911-019/PI-119 Order Authorizing Payments (May 5, 2020).*

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Based on the above, the Commission finds that Polk County's remaining annual funding allotment for the 2020-2021 funding year in the amount of \$21,564.60 shall be transferred to Columbus and added to Columbus's annual funding allotment for the 2020-2021 funding year. In addition, all remaining 911 funds held by Polk County, after making any required adjustments based on a final audit, shall be transferred to Columbus by Polk County.²

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that funding for Polk County is hereby ceased.

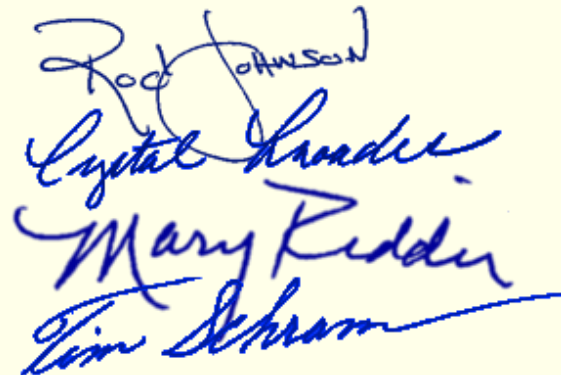
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Polk County's remaining annual funding allotment for the 2020-2021 funding year in the amount of \$21,564.60 shall be transferred to Columbus and added to Columbus's annual funding allotment for the 2020-2021 funding year

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all remaining 911 funds held by Polk County, after making any required adjustments based on a final audit, shall be transferred to Columbus by Polk County.

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska this 12th day of January, 2021.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:




Chair

ATTEST:


Executive Director

² See, *In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: City of Columbus*, App. No. 911-042.34, ORDER AMENDING FUNDING (January 12, 2020).