

SECRETARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska) Application No. 911-042.60
Public Service Commission, on)
its own motion, seeking to)
administer funding for public)
safety answering points for the) ORDER APPROVING FUNDING
implementation and provision of)
Enhanced Wireless 911 service:)
Thayer County.) Entered: January 29, 2019

BY THE COMMISSION:

On or about January 3, 2019, the Thayer County Public Safety Answering Point ("PSAP") filed a request to use set aside funds for the purchase of a Computer Assisted Dispatch ("CAD") system from Justice Data Solutions, Inc. ("JDS"). Although Thayer County is purchasing an entire suite of law enforcement software from JDS, only the CAD system (including first year maintenance) is eligible for funding from the 911 Service System Fund pursuant to the permanent funding mechanism.¹ According to the information provided with Thayer County's funding request, the total cost of the CAD system, including first year maintenance, is \$18,975.00.

Such costs are shared costs subject to the wireless/wireline ratio. The wireless/wireline ratio for Thayer County for the 2018-2019 funding year is 64 percent.

The Wireless Enhanced 911 Advisory Board considered the request at its January 16, 2019, meeting and recommended the request be approved.

OPINION AND FINDINGS

The Nebraska Public Service Commission (Commission) adopted the permanent cost model to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service under Docket No. 911-019/PI-118.

PSAP costs related to Computer Aided Dispatch are eligible for funding pursuant to Docket No. 911-019/PI-118.² The amount

¹ See 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, Application No. 911-019/PI-118, FINAL ORDER ADOPTING MODEL AND APPLICATION PROCESS (February 23, 2010).

² Supra note 1.

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eligible for funding using set-aside funds would be \$12,144.00 based on Thayer County's wireless/wireline ratio of 64 percent for the current funding year.

Based upon the request for funding, supporting documentation, and in consideration of the recommendation of the Advisory Board, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that the costs requested are eligible for funding as costs that have been incurred or will be incurred for the acquisition of new equipment and related maintenance costs and license fees, and/or the acquisition, installation, maintenance, and operation of telecommunications equipment and telecommunications service required for the provision of 911 service.³

Accordingly, the Commission finds that the use of set-aside funding by Thayer County should be approved in an amount up to **\$12,144.00**.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that funding for Thayer County is hereby approved in an amount up to **\$12,144.00**.

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska this 29th day of January, 2019.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Crystal Unadolo
Donna Womack
Tina Schwan
Paul Johnson

Mary Fiedis

Chair

ATTEST:

Theresa H. SP

Executive Director

³ Neb. Rev. Stat. § 86-1025(c).