

AUSTIN COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT

May 14, 2026

The regular meeting of Austin County Emergency Communications District of Austin County, Texas, was held on Wednesday, May 13, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. at the Austin County Courthouse, 1 East Main St, Bellville, Texas. For the purpose of conducting and acting upon such business as stated in this agenda posted May 7, 2026. The following board members were present:

Russell Grimes - President

Roy Mercer – Vice President

Walter Morrow – Treasurer

Dana Garcia - Board Member

Bobby Rinn – Board Member

Kylie Pavlicek - Non-Voting Member; 911 Rural Addressing

Jason Hammons - Non-Voting Member; AT&T

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am.

Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

Quorum was declared by roll call. Ray Roberson was absent.

Consideration of Agenda – Roy Mercer made a motion to approve the agenda; second made by Walter Morrow – Motion carried.

Public Forum – Two representatives from Motorola came to speak to the 911 board about a 5 year upgrade plan for equipment, infrastructure, and technology - No Motion Needed.

Consideration of Minutes – Roy Mercer made a motion to accept the March 11, 2026 minutes; second made by Bobby Rinn – Motion carried.

Consideration of Treasurer's Report – The April 2026 reconciliation report and bank statements were presented. Roy Mercer made a motion to accept the April 2026 reconciliation report and bank statements; second made by Bobby Rinn – Motion carried.

Consideration of Invoices (Profit & Loss Reports) – The February - April Statements of Activity (profit & loss) reports were presented. Credit card statements were not present. Roy Mercer made a motion to approve the reports, second was made by Bobby Rinn – Motion carried.

Old Business

- a. Update on AT&T equipment and fiber link – Discussion about installation of a fiber link being installed at the Courthouse. Discussion of 911 server being moved to the Courthouse, but the current Wi-fi speeds are too slow to support this move. There was also discussion about battery operated backup systems to keep the 911 server running in case fiber lines get cut. Waiting on Commissioner’s Court to get quotes to install fiber link - No action.
- b. Inventory of Current Assets (Update) - The Austin County Auditor’s Office is unable to take inventory at the 911 Office Building. Roy Mercer is going to ask the outside auditors if 3-4 members of the 911 District Board go over to the 911 office and take inventory of the current assets or if the board will have to hire someone else to take inventory - No action/Tabled till the next meeting.
- c. Update on NENA membership/advertisement of Director’s position/Workforce Solutions - Discussion on whether NENA Membership should be renewed. Discussion on advertisement of Director’s position is to be tabled until October 1, 2026 after the end of the 25-26 fiscal year. Roy Mercer made a motion to approve tabling the Director Position advertisement, Walter Morrow made the second - Motion Carried.
- d. Petty Cash / Purchases / New Credit Card - The petty cash box was removed from the 911 Office, and Walter agreed to deposit the remaining amount into the bank. The acquisition of a new credit card was discussed, Walter Morrow mentioned that the one we currently have is not used much, and with Cadence Bank switching over to Huntington Bank soon, the board should hold off on getting a new card - No Action.
- e. Ongoing Situation with Banking - Cadence Bank will be changing to Huntington Bank in June with routing and account numbers expected to change with the shift. The 911 Board agrees they do not want to change banks if they do not have to, but will continue to monitor the situation - No Action.

New Business

- a. Setting Up Auto-Bill Pay - Kylie Pavlicek brought up setting up auto-bill pay for recurring bills each month to ensure payment is received on time by vendors. Walter Morrow agreed to look into the last few months of expenses to see which ones were recurring charges for the same amount each month - No Action / Tabled till next meeting.
- b. 2025 Audit by Seidel Schroeder - Roy Mercer suggested Seidel Schroeder to the 911 Board to hire for the yearly outside audit to be done. Roy Mercer made a motion to approve the 2025 audit to be completed by Seidel Schroeder, Bobby Rinn made the second - Motion Carried.
- c. Changing of the Meeting Schedule - Roy Mercer presented a change of the monthly 911 Board meeting schedule, to a bi-monthly 911 Board meeting schedule. The 911 Board will meet on odd months only, (January, March, May, etc.), but will hold special executive meetings if urgent action needs to be taken on any items. Kylie Pavlicek will change the 911 District Manual wording regarding the new meeting schedule. Walter Morrow made a motion to approve the changing of the meeting schedule, Bobby Rinn made the second - Motion Carried.

- d. Ratification of the Austin County 9-1-1 Fee Resolution - Roy Mercer made a motion to approve the ratification of the Austin County 9-1-1 Fee Resolution, Walter Morrow made the second, Bobby Rinn sustained from voting - Motion Carried.
- e. Intrado (ECaTS) System, Voiance, and Voice Products for 911 Dispatch - Dana Garcia voiced issues she has been having with different translation services used by 911 dispatch, but was able to resolve things with Intrado and Voice Products. Dana was unable to get in contact with Voiance, and the 911 Executive Board agreed to view three different bids from other translation service companies to replace Voiance. Roy Mercer made a motion for the Executive Board to view three different bids and purchase one, Bobby Rinn made the second - Motion Carried.

Concluding Items (Information Only & Adjournment)

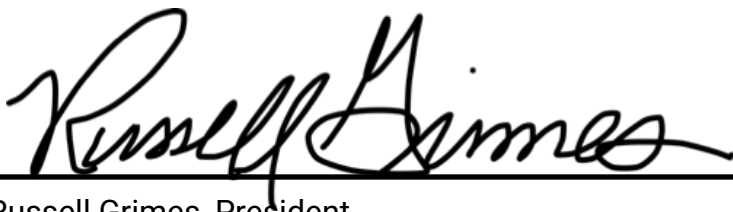
Report from rural addressing:

- a. New addresses for March 2026 - 19 & April 2026 - 13
- b. Report from AT&T – No Report
- c. Consider Action – No Action
- d. Items from Board Members/Announcements – Bobby Rinn requested the 911 Board look into getting different chairs for the meeting room - No action.

Adjournment

Roy Mercer made a motion to adjourn the meeting; second made by Bobby Rinn – Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:08 a.m.

ATTEST:



Russell Grimes, President

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