



## BLOUNT COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT

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### Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Blount County Communications District Board of Directors July 11, 2025

A Regular Meeting of the Blount County Communications District Board was held on July 11, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. at the Blount County Communications District Center in Oneonta, AL. An Announcement of the meeting was posted on the board in the lobby of the Blount County Communications District Center, Blount County Courthouse, Blount County Communications District Facebook page and Alabama Secretary of State Website one week prior to the meeting.

#### **Board Members Present:**

Chairman Charles Parsons, Chief Scott Payne, Chief Steve Pass, Commissioner Bradley Harvey, Sheriff Mark Moon, Chief Clay Jones and Chief Tyler Seehusen.

**Board Members Absent:** None

#### **Guests and Delegations Present:**

Alex Smith (BCCD Attorney), and Jeff Sherrer (Blount County Commission Attorney).

#### **1. Call to Order**

Chairman Parsons called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. CT. and Kala Turney recorded the minutes. A quorum of members was present, and the meeting, having been duly convened, was ready to proceed with business.

#### **2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

- **Invocation:** Sherriff Mark Moon said the invocation.
- **Pledge of Allegiance:** The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Charles Parsons.

#### **3. Approval of the Minutes**

- Motion, made by Scott Payne, to approve minutes from July 1, 2025, and June 18, 2025.  
Seconded by Clay Jones.  
General discussion was held.  
Motion passed unanimously.

#### 4. Approval of the Financial Report

- General discussion was held.
- Director Walker gave a brief overview of the June Financials.
- Closing Balances as of June 30, 2025:
  - General Funds – \$317,408.71
    - Cash on hand minus Grant Money – \$199,411.92
  - Motorola Escrow- \$585,556.97
  - Savings/Depreciation -\$645,577.14
- Motion, made by Scott Payne, to accept the financial statement as emailed.  
Seconded by Clay Jones.  
General discussion was held.  
Motion passed unanimously.
- Motion, made by Tyler Seehusen, to “send a letter to the town of Blountsville to have a 30-day notice and to respond to pay in full or come up with a reasonable plan to approve. If they do not respond within that day change to a 60 day send to their town.” Letter to come from Attorney Alex Smith.  
Seconded by Bradley Harvey.  
General discussion was held.  
Motion passed unanimously.
- Motion, made by Clay Jones, for “Chairman to send letters to all customer to end all calls to 911 that are not emergency”.  
Seconded by Scott Payne.  
General discussion held.  
Motion passed unanimously.

#### 5. Old Business

- Motion, made by Clay Jones, “to table bylaws until September”.  
Seconded by Steve Pass.  
General discussion was held.  
Motion passed unanimously.

#### 6. Approval of invoices

- Legal Motorola Fees (Alex Smith)
  - Motion, made by Scott Payne, to approve the payment of March and April 2025 attorney's fees.  
Seconded by Bradley Harvey.  
General discussion held.  
Motion passed unanimously.

- Human Resource Management
  - Motion, made by Mark Moon, to pay invoice.  
Seconded by Scott Payne.  
Motion passed unanimously.  
General discussion held.
  - Motion, made by Mark Moon, to withdraw motion to pay the invoice.  
Seconded by Scott Payne.  
Motion passed unanimously.
  - Motion, made by Steve Pass, to deny payment until we get an itemized invoice by task for all 54 hours.  
Seconded by Tyler Seehusen.  
Motion passed unanimously.
- July Retainer fee Alex Smith
  - Motion, made by Tyler Seehusen, to pay invoice.  
Seconded by Bradley Harvey.  
Motion passed unanimously.

**7. Human Resources Update**

- Deputy Director Avila presented the Nursing Mother Area – PUMP Act
  - Motion, made by Mark Moon, to approve to make a privacy room.  
Seconded by Clay Jones.  
Motion passed unanimously.

- Staffing Update was provided by Deputy Director Avila.

Onboarding	Application Received	CritiCall Scheduled	Interviews Scheduled	Offers Made	Current Staffing
3 Trainees; 1 Withdraw	4	2	2	1	14

**8. Operations Update**

- Call statistics were presented by Deputy Director Avila.

Administrative Call Inbound	Administrative Calls Outbound	911 Calls Inbound	Total Phone Traffic	Total Calls For Service
5,521	2,893	2,700	11,114	5,512

- General discussion held.

**9. Motorola Update**

- General discussion held

**10. Executive Session**

- Motion, made by Scott Payne, to go into executive session at 9:38am.

Seconded by Tyler Seehusen.

Motion passed unanimously.

- Director Walker was removed from the meeting.
- Pending or Threatened Litigation and Mediation/Arbitration
  - Motion, made by Clay Jones, to include Director Walker for Motorola, Deputy Director Avila for Name & Character and Alex Smith as needed to executive session.

Seconded by Tyler Seehusen.

Motion passed unanimously.

- Motion, made by Tyler Seehusen, to leave executive session at 1:03pm.

Seconded by Clay Jones.

Motion passed unanimously.

#### **11. Recess for lunch**

- No recess was held; the meeting continued through to the Budget Review.
- Motion, made by Tyler Seehusen, to add to the additional business the ambulance RFP and ambulance contract extension to the agenda.

Seconded by Clay Jones.

Motion passed unanimously.

#### **12. FY25/26 Draft Operational Budget Review**

- Director Walker presented the operational budget.
- General discussion held.
- Motion, made by Clay Jones, to change the funding and billing model to Calls For Service (CFS) by department.

Seconded by Scott Payne.

General discussion held.

##### Roll Call Vote

Clay Jones: Yes

Tyler Seehusen: Yes

Mark Moon: Yes

Bradley Harvey: No

Steve Pass: Yes

Scott Payne: Yes

Motion passed by majority vote.

- Motion, made by Tyler Seehusen, to approve draft operational budget FY25/26 as presented to the Board.

Seconded by Clay Jones.

General discussion held.

Motion passed unanimously.

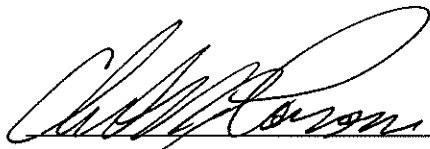
**13. Additional Business**

- Ambulance RFP and Ambulance Contract Extension
  - Tyler Seehusen provided the AAC update.
  - General discussion was held regarding the Ambulance RFP.
  - General discussion held regarding the Ambulance Contract Extension.
  - Motion, made by Tyler Seehusen, "for chairman to sign the extension agreement provided by Lifeguard."  
Seconded by Clay Jones.  
General discussion held.  
Motion passed unanimously.
- Motion, made by Clay Jones, "that in light of Derrick's efforts to turn this place around and also what he has accomplished with Motorola that we offer him a five to seven year contract that will lay out his standards of employment but also give him grievance and appeal process".  
Seconded by Mark Moon.  
Motion passed unanimously.

**14. Adjourn**

With no public comments, a motion made by Scott Payne to adjourn meeting at 3:15p.m. and seconded by Clay Jones. Motion passed unanimously.

The next board meeting is scheduled for August 21, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. CST at the Blount County Communications District center.



Chairman Parsons

8.21.25

Date