

# Executive Director's Report for January 2022

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TO: Advisory Committee  
FROM: Mike Fletcher, Executive Director  
SUBJECT: January, 2022 Advisory Committee Report

The topics contained here should follow closely with the agenda.

## **Old Business:**

### Radio System:

- Dixie Mt –
  - Project is on hold.
- Clatskanie –
  - WSP re-engaged in conversations with C911 in seeking to co-locate at the Clatskanie site. We are trading legal agreements for review.
  - The University of Oregon Geology Department is gearing up to start the installation of seismic equipment after a 2-year setback.
  - 12/27 Radio System disruption. *See ARR attachment*
- Cory Hill (Vernonia) Break-In update:
  - Waiting on new transfer switch. Unknown ETA.
  - Fence has been repaired
  - \*\* We will be installing new security features that I'm specifically not going to go into detail with during a public meeting. We expect to have this equipment installed in the very near future. We are waiting for some last pieces of equipment to arrive before we start this work.
- NextGen Radio System:

Upon the direction of the C911 Advisory Committee and the Board of Directors, staff worked with Federal Engineering to develop a Statement of Work to continue the dialog and education to help all interested parties in making an informed decision.

FE is willing to work with the Board and our user agencies to help further define options and or answer questions.

### Summary:

- A more in-depth focus on the CRESA solution
- A focused comparison on the 2, 800 solutions (CRESA & WCN)

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- Identify the differences in maintaining and support of the stand-alone systems and the joint systems.
- Education on the pro's & cons of a VHF system. What has changed in the 20+ years since the build of our current VHF system.

On December 17<sup>th</sup> a Doodle poll was published and sent to the Board of Directors, C911CD Advisory Committee, Fire Defense Board, Columbia Law group as well as participants of the Next Gen Radio Work Group to identify a potential date and time for the work session.

**Tuesday February 1 at 12:00 – 16:00** was the date that most respondents identified as working best. The location has yet to be determined. COVID considerations will take an important part in the final decision.

## **Meissner Site improvements:**

All documents related to the civil work RFP are complete and prepared to be published. Delayed due to the State of Oregon government project posting website ("OregonBuys" – Formerly known as "ORPIN") is "experiencing technical difficulties"

- ITB Documents post to ORPIN - Thursday 1/20/22
  - Onsite Pre-Bid Meeting - Friday 1/28/22 at 11:30AM at Meissner Communications Site
  - Requests due - Monday 2/7/22 at 5:00 PM to [bids@cushingengineers.com](mailto:bids@cushingengineers.com)
  - Bid Due - Tuesday 2/15/22 at Noon at the Columbia 911 office
  - Bid Opening - Tuesday 2/15/22 at 3:00PM at the Columbia 911 office
- Tow Contracts- No new update.
  - Ambulance Service Area (ASA) – No new update.
  - Microwave work (Clatskanie to Columbia Heights):
    - Wednesday December 15 the scheduled microwave upgrade commenced on time at 03:00 that morning. Total down time was at about one hour and 25 minutes. There was no impact to 911 service and all calls for service were handled without problems.

## **New Business:**

### **Request for Board Approval:**

- Site Security Improvements (Corey Hill / Vernonia)