

Rock Springs, Green River, Sweetwater County Combined Communications

Joint Powers Board

Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday, July 13, 2026

The Rock Springs, Green River, Sweetwater County Combined Communications Joint Powers Board held its regular meeting on Monday, July 13, 2026 at 50140B US 191 Rock Springs, Wyoming. Board members present included: Mera Souare and Shaun Sturlaugson via teleconference; Jeannie Demas, Clark Allred, Rich Fischer, Bill Erspamer, Cindy Johnson, and Jim Wamsley. Board members absent were: Brad Halter. Also in attendance were: Nick Erskine, executive director; David Halter, IT director; Drew Varley, accountant; Carrie Williams; Becca Thornock; and Rock Springs City Councilman David Thompson.

Call to Order

Chairman Clark Allred called the meeting to order at 2:30p.m.

Agenda for Regular Meeting

The agenda was distributed to those in attendance. Wamsley made a motion to accept the agenda as presented. Motion was seconded by Demas and carried unanimously by board members.

Public Hearing to Approve FY2026-2027 Budget Resolution 2026-02

Allred opened the public hearing to approve the FY2026-2027 budget at 2:30p.m. Hearing no discussion, the hearing was closed at 2:31p.m.

Minutes from Regular Meeting

Allred entertained a motion to approve the minutes from regular meeting June 22, 2026. A motion was made by Johnson and seconded by Fischer. Motion carried unanimously by board members.

Financial Report

Varley stated 911 revenues came in above budget at \$401,599.00. Allred entertained a motion to approve the financial report. A motion was made by Wamsley and seconded by Demas. Motion carried unanimously by board members.

Comments from Floor

No comments were made.

Executive Director Report

A copy of the executive director report was included in the meeting packet and went as follows: "June 25, 2026: IT Director Halter and I participated in a kick-off meeting with stakeholders from around Wyoming and consultants from Federal Engineering for the multi-stage 911 Feasibility Study for next steps to implement NG911. June 28, 2026-July 2, 2026: I attended the 2026 National NENA Conference in Columbus, Ohio. July 07, 2026: Processed PTO payouts for FY26."

IT Director Report

Halter stated the statewide WyoLink upgrade is still underway however, Sweetwater County has been completed and everything went well. On Thursday, July 9, 2026, there was a power outage on Wilkins Peak and the water pump on the generator ended up failing. The Sheriff's Office provided a generator and Fire District cleaned up all of the leaked coolant. Cummins then responded and will be providing a quote for the repairs.

Committee Reports

None noted.

Bills & Claims

Allred entertained a motion to accept the bills and claims. A motion was made by Wamsley and seconded by Demas. Motion carried unanimously by board members.

Correspondence

An application packet was received from Tanager Bank regarding Public Funds and Governmental Accounts as Tanager Bank recently acquired Uinta Bank which the Board has accounts at. Wamsley made a motion to place the correspondence on file. Motion was seconded by Demas and carried unanimously by board members.

New Business

COLA Increase for FY 2027

Erskine stated for fiscal year 2027, a 3% COLA increase had been included for all staff. Wamsley made a motion to approve the 3% COLA increase for fiscal year 2027 and make it retroactive to July 1, 2026. Motion was seconded by Demas. Johnson requested that moving forward, the COLA increase be called a raise rather than an increase. Motion carried unanimously by board members.

FY2026-2027 Budget Resolution 2026-02 Approval

Allred entertained a motion to approve Resolution 2026-02 regarding fiscal year 2026-2027 budget. A motion was made by Wamsley and seconded by Demas. Motion carried unanimously by board members.

Tanager Bank Approval

Wamsley made a motion to approve Tanager Bank as an approved depository of funds for the Combined Communications Board. Motion was seconded by Demas and carried unanimously by board members.

SSN on OLN Update

Erskine stated he reached out to Alison Moore, Deputy Director of DCI, regarding the decision to remove social security numbers from Wyoming OLN returns. The following response was given: "The decision to remove the SSN from Wyoming OLN returns was made by the Wyoming Department of Transportation's Driver Services. DCI, like most if not all other law enforcement around the state, would also like the full SSN to return. Unfortunately, since that information comes from WYDOT, we can only return what they send us. At the end of April, I received the following from WYDOT: 'We are not planning to add full SSNs to the response to law enforcement from driver license data at this time. While the Driver's Privacy Protection Act (DPPA) permits this use, WYDOT has no control over what agencies do with this data once it is provided through the message switch. As we discussed, we could potentially provide the last 5 digits if you are interested, but this would require a change control with our vendor.' Our DCI Director, along with an administrator at Highway Patrol, requested WYDOT reconsider. We have not received any additional updates." Erskine also stated that WYDOT is accepting letters of persuasion before making final decisions of no change and Erskine will draft a letter on behalf of the Board. Johnson stated that she is in opposition of sending a letter to WYDOT requesting that SSNs be added back to Wyoming OLN returns.

Comments from the Chairman and Board

Wamsley thanked dispatch and staff for everything they do to keep things running.

Old Business

None noted.

Executive Session

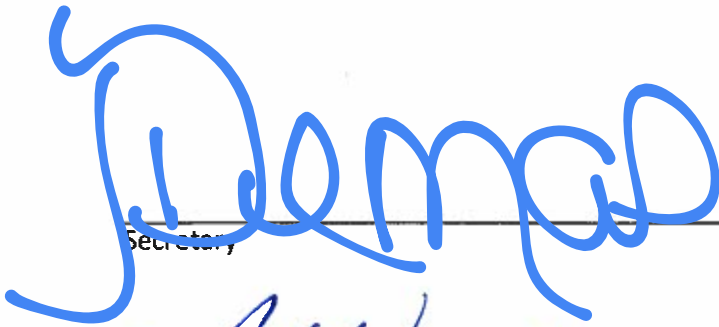
Allred entertained a motion to move into executive session for financial and personnel matters at 2:59p.m. A motion was made by Wamsley and seconded by Demas. Motion carried unanimously by board members. No action was taken.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the board was scheduled for Monday, August 24, 2026 at 50140B US 191 Rock Springs, WY 82901.

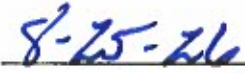
Adjournment

Allred entertained a motion for adjournment. A motion was made by Wamsley and seconded by Demas. Motion carried unanimously by board members. Meeting was adjourned at 3:36p.m.


Secretary

Vice-Chair

Date: 

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