

**Rock Springs, Green River, Sweetwater County Combined Communications
Joint Powers Board
Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 23, 2026**

The Rock Springs, Green River, Sweetwater County Combined Communications Joint Powers Board held its regular meeting on Monday, March 23, 2026 at 50140B US 191 Rock Springs, Wyoming. Board members present included: Shaun Sturlaugson and Mera Souare via teleconference; Jeannie Demas, Brad Halter, Bill Erspamer, Clark Allred, Jim Wamsley, and Cindy Johnson. Board members absent were: John Grossnickle. Also in attendance were: Nick Erskine, executive director; David Halter, IT director; Drew Varley, accountant; Carrie Williams; Becca Thornock; and Sweetwater County Commissioner Mary Thoman.

Call to Order

Vice-Chair 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.

Minutes from Regular Meeting

Allred entertained a motion to approve the minutes from regular meeting February 23, 2026. A motion was made by Wamsley and seconded by B. Halter. Motion carried unanimously by board members.

Financial Report

Varley stated revenue and expenditures are tracking as expected. 911 revenue is currently at 74.5%, admin expenses are at 65%, and operations are at 61%. Wamsley made a motion to accept the financial report. Motion was seconded by Demas and 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:

“February 24, 2026- IT Director Halter and I met with Kevin Parker and his team from Motorola to discuss product enhancements and transition planning. Later that day, I was joined by our Peer Support Coordinator Val Gelinias for introductory training in the Peer Connect app with Kamden Kennedy. We also had a WY Retirement Educator at the Center that evening to meet with any employees who had questions about their retirement. February 25, 2026- IT Director Halter and I met with Saul Sigalov from Hyper AI. February 26, 2026- IT Director Halter and I virtually attended an orientation walkthrough for PulsePoint AED. Later that day, we joined a CPF grant funding discussion with Chief Erspamer and other representatives from Rock Springs as well as the team from Merchant McIntyre while we traveled to Rawlins to meet with Carbon County Sheriff Bakken and dispatch personnel to discuss the paging and dispatching agreement for Wamsutter and Bairoil. February 27, 2026- IT Director Halter and I participated in the weekly PulsePoint implementation meeting. March 2, 2026- IT Director Halter and I participated in a PulsePoint launch preparedness meeting. March 3, 2026- IT Director Halter and I presented the annual report to the County Commission at their morning meeting. Later that evening, I presented the same to Green River City Council while IT Director Halter presented to Rock Springs City Council. March 4, 2026- IT Director and I met with the JPB Finance Committee to discuss the FY27 budget. March 5, 2026- I conducted the monthly Shift Supervisor meeting. March 6, 2026- IT Director Halter and I virtually participated in a final CPF grant discussion with the teams from Rock Springs and Merchant McIntyre prior to submission and consideration from Rep. Hageman’s office. Later that day, we participated in the weekly PulsePoint implementation meeting. March 10, 2026- IT Director Halter and I met with reps from OWL for Schools for a demo walk-through and information session. Later that afternoon, myself and Peer Support Coordinator Val Gelinias participated in Content Manager training for the Peer Connect app. March 11, 2026- IT Director Halter, PSC Gelinias and I participated in System Admin training for the Peer Connect app. March 12, 2026- I attended the monthly Peer Support team meeting where the team received training on the Peer Connect app. March 13, 2026- IT Director Halter and I met with JPB Chairman Grossnickle to provide an update on the FY27 budget status. Later that day, I met with representatives from Moetivations regarding QA services and remote dispatching. March 16, 2026- IT Director Halter and I had a meeting with our implementation manager from Power Engage regarding information flow issues. Additionally, I participated in the final implementation meeting with Guardian Tracking prior to go-live and agency rollout. Later that evening, I mediated a discussion on leadership within the Quality Assurance Unit. March 20, 2026- IT Director Halter and I attended a follow up meeting with engineers from PowerEngage regarding information flow sourcing. Additionally, we attended the weekly PulsePoint check-in that afternoon. Additional items of note: National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week- This year, NPSTW is April 12-18, 2026 and we are currently preparing for those festivities. We will be presented with a proclamation honoring the occasion from both cities and

the county at their meetings on April 7, 2026. We will also hold our award ceremony on April 16, 2026 at 6:00p.m. Refreshments will be provided. IAED Certifications- Maddie Levene and Patricia Foster attended training and successfully passed their final certification exams for Emergency Police Dispatch (EPD), Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD), and Emergency Fire Dispatch (EFD), allowing them to move forward in their training program. Excellent job by both! Work Anniversaries: Supervisor Katie Fryer celebrated her 8-year work anniversary on March 1, 2026. Supervisor Kim Bach celebrated her 16-year work anniversary on March 12, 2026. Dispatcher Anji Hook celebrated her 10-year work anniversary on March 14, 2026. IT Specialist Brey Edwards will celebrate his 2-year work anniversary on March 25, 2026." More information was given regarding the meeting with Wamsutter and Bairoil for paging and dispatching out of Sweetwater County rather than transferring those calls to Carbon County for response.

IT Director Report

D. Halter stated work is being done to implement PulsePoint and PowerEngage. PowerEngage was launched the previous weekend and a press release will be given. Castle Rock Ambulance is currently using PulsePoint and Rock Springs Fire has been trained on the AED administration. Other fire departments will be training on that as well.

Committee Reports

The finance committee met on March 4, 2026 with Director Erskine and IT Director Halter do discuss the budget for fiscal year 2027. The committee came to a 2.1% reduction from fiscal year 2026's budget. The proposed budget for fiscal year 2027 has been submitted to Rock Springs and will be submitted to the other funding entities by their respective due dates. To get to the 2.1% reduction, four dispatch positions were eliminated and some capital projects were moved to future years.

Bills & Claims

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

Correspondence

The final rate notice was received from Wyoming Department of Workforce Services for Workers Comp. The rate has decreased 0.29% from 2025. Wamsley made a motion to accept the correspondence and attached a copy to the minutes for this meeting. Motion was seconded by Demas and carried unanimously by board members.

New Business

RSPD Grant on behalf of Communications Center

D.Halter stated there was a grant opportunity through Wyoming Representative Harriet Hageman's office. Two capital projects were submitted for grant approval. One is for the Access Radio Console at \$1,483,000.00 and the other is for the 911 phone system at \$600,000.00. Erspamer made a motion to ratify the support of the letter to Rep. Hageman's office in pursuit of grant funding for the radio console and 911 phone system. Motion was seconded by Wamsley and carried unanimously by board members.

Whalen Lease Agreement Renewal

A copy of the Whalen lease agreement was included in the meeting packet. D. Halter stated 5 years ago, the Center leased tower space to Visionary Communications on Whalen. The lease is now up for renewal and the agreement has been reviewed by Lemich. Wamsley made a motion to approve the Whalen Lease Agreement renewal as presented. Motion was seconded by Demas and carried unanimously by board members.

SHSP Short-Term Grant

D.Halter stated he applied for the Short-Term SHSP grant which is leftover funds from fiscal years 2022 and 2023 for SHSP. The Diagnostics Radio Analyzer for \$61,933.60 and some radio infrastructure projects for \$75,639.64. Wamsley made a motion to approve the application for the two short-term grants as presented in the board packet. Motion was seconded by Demas and carried unanimously by board members.

Comments from the Chairman and Board

Wamsley thanked dispatch for everything they do. Allred commended dispatch for continuing to do their job when calls come in that affect them in their personal lives.

Old Business

None noted.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the board was scheduled for Monday, April 27, 2026 at 50140B US 191 Rock Springs, WY 82901.

Adjournment

Allred entertained a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Wamsley and seconded by Demas. Motion carried unanimously by board members. Meeting was adjourned at 2:58p.m.

Juanita Gomez
Secretary

Date: April 27, 2016

[Signature]
Board Chair
Vice

Date: 4-27-26