

April 13th, 2026, Board Minutes

The Bossier Parish Communications District One Board convened in a regular and legal session on April 13th, 2026, at 5:30 pm in the Bossier Parish Communications District One Board room, located at 4601 Palmetto Road, Benton, Louisiana.

Chairman Rogers called the meeting to order.

Mr. McAnn opened in prayer.

Mr. McAnn called the roll with members present as follows:

Chairman Rogers, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Holley, Mr. Allen, Mr. Barattini, and Mr. O'Neal.

Absent: Mr. Jordan.

Chairman Rogers welcomed guests, past chairman Charles Varnell, and Lieutenant Amy Pope from the Bossier Sheriff's Office. Chairman Rogers presented the minutes of the March 9th, 2026, meeting for approval. Mr. Allen made a motion, seconded by Mr. O'Neal, to dispense with the reading and approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. McAnn presented the Board with year-to-date financial reports and current income and expense reports for review. He also provided an update on expenses, including the AT&T lease, two new Ford Expeditions, point-to-point microwave repair, and prepaid wireless funding. Mr. McAnn noted that a Certificate of Deposit matured on March 31, 2026, and another would mature on April 15, 2026. He also updated the Board on the status of House Bill 463. Mr. Allen moved, seconded by Mr. Holly, to approve the financial report. The motion carried unanimously.

Director's Report:

Mr. McAnn briefed the board on the staff activities celebrating National Telecommunicator Week. Mr. McAnn stated that Ms. Jessica Murdock had been hired and had begun training. Mr. McAnn said Mr. Dean and Ms. Woods participated in a career fair located at BPSTIL, and it was an excellent chance to speak with young adults about communications as a possible career path. Mr. McAnn discussed House Bill 615 and its potential impact on the district. Mr. McAnn updated the Board on the State APCO conference to be held April 27th – 29th, 2026, and the National APCO conference to be held in San Antonio, where four of Bossier 911 members will be attending. Mr. McAnn stated Bossier 911 is assisting BOHSEP with a statewide digital and voice HF exercise on April 15th, 2026. Mr. McAnn stated that Ms. Leslie Herren (custodial services) resigned, and a replacement has been hired. Mr. McAnn briefed the Board on the status of the wireless microwave link between 911 and Bossier City and on a coordinated effort with the Bossier Parish Police Jury on a tool to assist in bringing the District's website into ADA compliance. The cost will be approximately \$3250.00 annually. Mr. McAnn also stated that installation of the new 911 call-

handling equipment and training will begin in the first two weeks of June. He reported that a cleaning company completed a deep cleaning and recalibration of the Xybix consoles. Mr. McAnn provided an update on the state ESINet RFP. Mr. Barattini asked about retaining the 2019 Dodge Durango as a reserve vehicle. Mr. McAnn confirmed this and added that the 2018 Dodge Durango, deemed surplus at March's meeting, sold at auction. After fees, the sale price was approximately \$3,000.00.

Old: Mr. McAnn briefed the board on the proposals he received from the architectural firms regarding the Space Utilization Study for possible remodel and additions to the center. Newman Marchive Incorporated proposed a cost not to exceed \$15,000.00, with completion in three to six weeks. Bledsoe Architects proposed a cost of \$18,000.00 and completion in six to eight weeks. Prevost Design Services proposed a cost of \$45,000.00. After discussion, Chairman Rogers asked for a motion to add awarding the Space Utilization Study to the agenda under new business. Mr. Barattini moved to add awarding the Space Utilization Study to the agenda, seconded by Mr. Allen. An opportunity for public comment was provided, but none was made. The motion passed unanimously.

New: Chairman Rogers called for a motion to award Newman Marchive the Space Utilization Study project and to authorize the director to enter into and execute the required documents. A motion was made by Mr. Allen, seconded by Mr. O'Neal. The motion passed unanimously.

Other Business: Chairman Rogers welcomed Bossier Parish Sheriff Julian Whittington. Sheriff Whittington gave brief remarks, and the board expressed its appreciation for his visit.

With no further business before the board, Mr. Allen motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Holley. Upon a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Minutes are subject to approval at the next board meeting.

Doug Rogers
Chairman

Andy Holley
Secretary