



Association of Minnesota Counties

PUBLIC SAFETY Policy Committee

Thursday, September 14, 2023

1:00 – 4:00 P.M.

Lake Miltona (Lower Level) – Arrowwood, Alexandria

AGENDA

1:00 P.M. CALL TO ORDER – *Commissioner Steve Schmitt, Chair*

- Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance
- Approval of February Minutes
- Introductions

1:15 P.M. Emergency Ambulance Services Report

David Kirchner, Evaluation Coordinator, Office of the Legislative Auditor

An overview of the Office of the Legislative Auditor's [2022 report](#) on emergency ambulance services. Topics include state oversight, local government powers, primary service area boundaries, and sustainability of ambulance services. The presentation will be short enough to allow plenty of time for Q&A and discussion.

2:30 P.M. The State of 911 – 2023

*Dana Wahlberg, Director, and Kent Wilkening, PSAP Support Coordinator
Emergency Communication Networks, Minnesota Department of Public Safety*

Director Wahlberg will focus on updates in three key areas surrounding the Minnesota 911 program and the impacts this will have on the 911 stakeholder community. The three areas are – 911 State Program Updates, NG9-1-1 Transition and The Road Ahead. The director will touch on GIS, Cybersecurity, Radius, 911 funding and stakeholder outreach.

3:00 P.M. Violent Crime Response and Strategies: A discussion with DPS and DOC Commissioners

Commissioner Bob Jacobson, Department of Public Safety, and Commissioner Paul Schnell, Department of Corrections

DPS Commissioner Bob Jacobson and DOC Commissioner Paul Schnell have been engaging with law enforcement leaders, prosecutors, judges, victims, and corrections leaders around issues facing our state related to violent crime, including juvenile crime. During this session, the Commissioners will share relevant data, learnings from their various engagements, and lead a discussion with county commissioners on emerging priorities and how counties are responding.

4:00 P.M. ADJOURN FOR THE DAY



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Friday, September 15, 2023

8:30 – 11:30 A.M.

Lake Miltona (Lower Level) – Arrowwood, Alexandria

AGENDA

8:30 A.M. CALL TO ORDER – *Commissioner Steve Schmitt, Chair*

- Welcome and Introductions
- Pledge of Allegiance

8:35 A.M. MN Low-Level Radar Gaps – We Wish This Wasn't a Local County Issue

Ace Bonnema, Kandiyohi County Deputy Emergency Manager (EM), Chris Muller, Beltrami County EM Director, Tina Lindquist, Grant County EM Director, and Greg Gust, Consulting Meteorologist/EM

Learn about the work a group of Emergency Managers have been doing to help develop solutions for low level weather radar gaps. The presentation will discuss how local Commissioners can help support the efforts to fill low level radar gaps and understand how it directly impacts county government.

9:15 A.M. 2023 Legislative Session Recap and AMC Policy Process

Carli Stark, AMC Public Safety Policy Analyst

10:00 A.M. Commissioner Forum and Ideas Exchange

- **Youth Intervention Workgroup** – *Jeff Lunde, Hennepin County*
- **Chapter 403** – *David Ebinger, Clay County*

10:30 A.M. 2024 Public Safety Priorities

AMC Staff will lead the committee in discussing and outlining up to five policy committee priorities. These priorities will eventually be placed on District Meeting ballots for members to vote on throughout the District Meeting process.

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