

**RESOLUTION #841-10-12-2021****Resolution approving American Rescue Plan dollars be spent on Emergency 911 equipment**

WHEREAS, Jackson County is dedicated to its citizens and believes that quick emergency response plays a vital role in the overall health and welfare of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, under Code of Iowa Chapter 34A.3, Jackson County is charged with maintaining the Jackson County Emergency 911 Service Board which has delivered long-standing emergency support to citizens and businesses throughout the Jackson County area; and

WHEREAS, the current Emergency Radio Response System has been overwhelmed by the current COVID-19 pandemic situation which doesn't show signs of abating and has been shown by the pandemic to be in need of an upgrade; and

WHEREAS, the Emergency 911 Service Board has researched and developed a plan to address a response to the COVID-19 pandemic including the outdated and overwhelmed radio response system; and

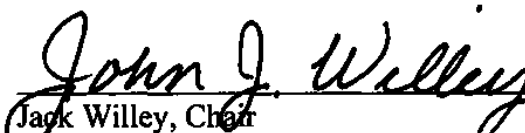
WHEREAS, the focus of the Emergency Radio Response System is to receive emergency contact from citizens, businesses and other emergency response personnel and support; and

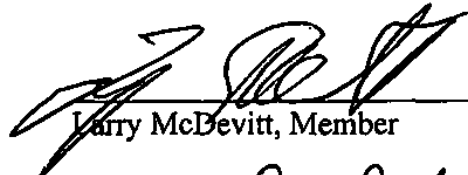
WHEREAS, a new Emergency Radio Response System will strengthen all County and Municipal Emergency Personnel's ability to more quickly react and respond to citizens, businesses and situations that impact all who reside in and do business with those in the County; and

WHEREAS, the County received American Rescue Plan money to be used for public health purposes for which it has been determined that an upgrade to the Emergency Radio Response System would qualify as a public health purpose due to the overwhelming use of the System for responding to COVID-19 affected situations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF JACKSON COUNTY, IOWA, that in order to mitigate the COVID-19 pandemic it is in the best interests of Jackson County, Iowa, to approve and authorize Jackson County spending American Response Plan dollars for the Emergency Radio Response System upgrade for the Jackson County Emergency 911 Service Board.

**HEREBY APPROVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Jackson County, Iowa this 12th day of October, 2021.

  
 Jack Willey, Chair  
 Jackson County Board of Supervisors

  
 Larry McDevitt, Member

  
 Mike Steines, Member

ATTEST:   
 Alisa Smith  
 Jackson County Auditor