

KenCom Finance Committee Meeting Minutes
Held April 17th, 2025
9:00 a.m.
KenCom Public Safety Center
1100 Cornell Lane, Yorkville
Conference Room

Member	Agency	Present	Absent
Josh Flanders	Oswego Fire	X	
Brian DeBolt	Kendall County Board		X
Dwight Baird	KCSO	X	
Zoila Gomez	City of Plano		X
Jason Bastin	Oswego Police	X	
Fred Kreinbrink	Little Rock Fox Fire		X
James Jensen	Yorkville PD	X	

Others present: Pamela Hurtig, KenCom Deputy Director; Jenny Haske, KenCom Assistant Director; Bonnie Walters, KenCom Executive Assistant..

Josh Flanders called the meeting to order and requested a roll call of the membership. A roll call was taken with four of the seven members present, which resulted in having a quorum for voting purposes.

Flanders called for a motion to approve the agenda. Jensen made a motion to approve the agenda as written, seconded by Bastin. Discussion. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Public Comment – None

Flanders called for Correspondence – None

Staff Report: – Hurtig gave a Personnel Report as follows: National Telecommunicators Week, April 13th to 19th. Supervisor Sarah Jenkins was awarded the KenCom TC of the Year. We thank our agencies for the food and gifts this week, recognizing our amazing telecommunicators. We are hiring six TC's and have eight applicants in the background phase with a tentative start date of mid-May. Training as follows: KenCom's Lead Trainer, Brooke Gatto, is finishing up her CTO training this week. No monthly training for April scheduled. Project updates as follows: The project timeline of the Digital Fixed Station Interface; Motorola's tentative timeframe would be the end of summer to complete the project. The project system engineer will test the DFSI interface next week in the Motorola lab. CESSA meetings continue. KenCom Employee Handbook was completed and distributed to staff. The PACE Scheduler project is progressing and are waiting on PACE Scheduler to finish setting up a custom exports to test our pay codes with the treasurer's office. Text to 9-1-1 totals for March were 9.

Closed Session Minutes but do not release – None

Consent Agenda – Flanders called for approval of the consent agenda. Jensen made a motion, seconded by Bastin to approve the consent agenda, which includes approval of the March 2025 Treasurer's Reports for the Surcharge and Operating Funds and the March 20th, 2025 Finance Committee Minutes. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Flanders called for the Standing Committee Reports:
Personnel Committee Report – No Report.

Strategic Planning Committee Report – No Report.

Operations Board Report – Hurtig stated the fire agencies provided an update on Emergency Networking and ESO. The Sheriff's Office is purchasing eight new Flock cameras placed at Boulder Hill and Route 31/Anchor.

Finance Committee Report:

Operation Fund Bills – Baird made a motion to approve the April 2025 Operation bills, in the amount of \$187,133.38, seconded by Bastin. Discussion. A roll call was taken with all four members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Surcharge Fund Bills – Baird made a motion to approve the April 2025 Surcharge bills, in the amount of \$102,618.88, seconded by Bastin. Discussion ensued on the information Bergeron sent out on 9-1-1 Goes to Springfield to raise awareness for the need to increase the monthly surcharge from \$1.50 to \$2.50 A roll call was taken with all four members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Anticipated Expenses – Hurtig reviewed the anticipated expenses contained in the packet. Baird made a motion to approve the Session Boarder Controller not to exceed \$40,000.00, seconded by Bastin. Discussion. A roll call was taken with all four members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Flanders called for Old Business:

KenCom Second Tower – No Report.

Future KenCom Expansion – No Report.

Finance Committee Closed Session Audio Destruction – None

Any other Old Business – Baird mentioned going fully encrypted at the last Finance meeting on March 20th. On March 26th, there was a post on Facebook in regards to KenCom going fully encrypted, stating KenCom will not be transparent on calls to the public at the end of August. Baird explained that KenCom is not trying to hide anything but is trying to keep the safety of the First Responders responding to the calls and the public safe. Additionally, Baird said encryption could avoid dispatch getting flooded with unnecessary calls. Baird spoke to Senator Steve Stadelman regarding KenCom going encrypted. Discussion ensued.

Flanders called for New Business:

Finance Committee Closed Session Audio Destruction – None

KenCom Audit 2024 – Baird made a motion to approve the 2024 KenCom Draft Audit to the Executive Board, seconded by Bastin. Discussion. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Tyler Billing – Hurtig reminded all the agencies that any new Tyler products or invoices need to come through KenCom. KenCom is Tyler Technologies' only customer.

9-1-1 Goes to Springfield – NENA and APCO have organized 9-1-1 Goes to Springfield to raise awareness for the need to increase the monthly surcharge from \$1.50 to \$2.50. It is on April 29th, all day, and will follow up with updates.

Other New Business – None

Other Business – None

Closed Session – None

Action after Closed Session – None

Flanders stated the next Finance Committee meeting is Thursday, May 15th, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. KenCom Public Safety Building, Lower Level Emergency Operations Center. Jensen made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Baird. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:02 a.m.

Respectively submitted,

Bonnie Walters
Recording Secretary