

FIRST RESPONDER NETWORK AUTHORITY
BOARD RESOLUTION 27
ESTABLISHMENT OF A SPECIAL REVIEW COMMITTEE
May 8, 2013

WHEREAS, Congress enacted the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012 (Act) which mandates the creation of a nationwide interoperable wireless broadband network that will enable police, firefighters, emergency medical service professionals, and other public safety officials to more effectively communicate and perform their missions;

WHEREAS, the Act creates the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet), an independent authority within the Department of Commerce's National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), charged to take "all actions necessary" to build, deploy, and operate the network, in consultation with State, local, tribal, and territorial entities;

WHEREAS, Section 3.09 of the FirstNet Bylaws permits the FirstNet Board to establish Board committees by a majority vote of the members of the Board;

WHEREAS, on April 23, 2013, at a regularly scheduled FirstNet Board meeting, Sheriff Paul Fitzgerald made a motion that the Board adopt a resolution that expressed concerns about FirstNet's operations;

WHEREAS, Sheriff Fitzgerald's motion was tabled by a vote of the Board and Chairman Ginn requested a review;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the FirstNet Board hereby establishes a Special Review Committee to review the matters contained in Sheriff Fitzgerald's motion. Specifically, the Special Review Committee will look at FirstNet's compliance with applicable federal hiring and procurement rules, conflict of interest rules and open meeting requirements. The Special Review Committee shall obtain assistance as needed from subject matter experts at the Department of Commerce. The Special Review Committee shall report the results of its review to the FirstNet Board as soon as practicable. The Special Review Committee shall be a temporary board committee that will automatically disband once the FirstNet Board receives its report. The Board Chair, consistent with Section 3.09 of the FirstNet Bylaws, shall appoint the members of the Special Review Committee.

I, the undersigned, Secretary of the First Responder Network Authority, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting of the Board of the First Responder Network Authority on May 8, 2013, at which a quorum was present and voted.



Uzoma Onyeije, Secretary