

Dispatch Joint Powers Board Filled

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With Weston County moving forward with an agreement with the City of Newcastle and Town of Upton to create a Joint Dispatch Powers Board to operate emergency dispatch services in Weston County, two at-large members were needed to fill out the Board. Other members of the Joint Dispatch Powers Board are the Weston County

Sheriff, Upton Chief of Police, and Newcastle Chief of Police, or their designees.

Dispatch operations in Weston County have long been under the supervision of the Newcastle Chief of Police and Newcastle City Council, but difficult and oftentimes contentious conversations resulted as other entities and agencies in and operating in Weston County expressed a

desire to place countywide dispatch operations under the oversight of a joint powers board to ensure equal representation and an equal voice among stakeholders throughout the county. After the City of Newcastle and the Weston County Commissioners initially decided to go their separate ways and operate two different dispatch centers in Weston County, both sides eventually

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