

Whiteside County ETSB

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Members present included: John Booker, Tim Cain, Gary Cook, Chad Hartman, James Duffy, James Melton, and Doug Coppotelli. Also present was Karl Kovarik, 911 Coordinator.

The Monthly Financial Reports were reviewed for October through December 2016. Karl provided a report which reflects the surcharge amounts received from January 2016 through December 2016. During this period only seven months worth of surcharge checks have been received. These were for surcharge amounts collected for the months January through July of 2016. It is still taking the State about 4-6 months to make the disbursements. We don't have a complete year to compare to the previous year. However, based on expectations and taking into consideration what the State has paid toward the 911 network costs, it would appear the amount could be in the neighborhood of \$530,000. That would be an increase in surcharge receipts of about \$28,000 from 2015. Motion by Cain to approve bills as paid. Second by Cook. Motion carried.

Motion by Melton to approve the minutes from the October 20th, 2016 meeting. Second by Hartman. Motion carried.

No Public Comment.

New Business:

Karl included the year end 911 call summary report in the meeting packets. This report reflects the number of 911 calls received by the 3 PSAPs, broken down by Wireline, Cellular and VoIP as well as totals by PSAP and for the entire system.

Karl provided an update on the consolidation status. The process stalled when the City of Sterling wasn't willing to negotiate on an administrative issue - employing or having final say in the director position. At the last meeting, the County offered to act as the employer for the Director and the dispatchers. This appeared to be agreeable by all parties at the table, but until an IGA is signed by all, that could change. This will require the issue of IMRF's SLEP pension to be discussed. The Sheriff's Office Merit Commission will also need to be involved in the selection process of the Director and dispatchers. The director will report to the over-site committee made up of the 3 chiefs, 2 reps from the Sheriff's Office and one from the county.

Karl provided an updated cost summary of the consolidated center. A majority of items have been ordered, put in place and paid for already. A quote was received from AT&T in the amount of

\$4048.74 to relocate and configure the two positions from Rock Falls to Sterling. This amount is the result of site visits and equipment review. The amount is substantially lower than the \$20,000 estimated originally. A quote from Priority Dispatch to be able to move the software from CGH to the Sterling Center and provide training on EMS and Fire dispatch protocols to 15 dispatchers came in at \$29,611. Also much lower than the original estimate of \$89,000. This does not include any training for the Whiteside County dispatchers or the software. That will be re-negotiated after the Sterling Center is up and running. The plan at this point is to continue using PowerPhone's Law Enforcement Dispatch protocol at both sites. That may change down the road as well. Motion by Cook to proceed with the new quotes from AT&T and Priority Dispatch. Second by Coppotelli. Motion carried.

Karl excused himself so that the board could conduct an evaluation of the 911 Coordinator.

After discussion, motion by Cain to give Karl, 911 coordinator a 4% salary increase. Second by Hartman. Motion Carried.

Karl was brought back in, and advised that he was doing a good job and his work is appreciated. The board voted increase his salary by 4% to be implemented with the next pay period. Karl thanked the board and also appreciates all they do for him.

Old Business:

Karl reported that the NINGA Project is still moving along, however a little on the slow side. DeKalb is the first county currently being worked on. Right now there are numerous calls and meetings between the Vendor, the counties and the State. A hurdle being worked out now is with all the phone companies currently connected to our 911 systems. Today these companies are connected to the individual county's, where as with the new system one or two connections could be made to the whole network which would drastically cut down on the network costs. This is being worked on with all the phone companies now individually. The anticipated go live date in September, is looking to be optimistic right now. Once DeKalb is done jumping through the hoops, the others should move quickly.

The 2017 ETSB meeting dates are: April 20, July 20, and October 19, 2017 at 2:30pm in the LEC Hearing Room

No other business.

Motion by Cain to adjourn. Second by Melton. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Karl Kovarik, 911 Coordinator

John Booker, ETSB Chairman