

ST. CLAIR COUNTY 9-1-1 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

Minutes of the October 13, 2020 Meeting

In Attendance:

Board Members:

Sheriff Richard Watson, Chairman
Former Fire Chief Donald Feher, Vice Chairman
Former Mayor George Chance
Mr. Kevin Elbe
Mr. Ken Easterley
Mr. Randy Bolle
Chief Kendall Perry

Absent:

Staff:

Herbert Simmons, 9-1-1 ETSB Executive Director
Kevin Kaufhold, 9-1-1 ETSB Attorney
Bryan Whitaker, EMA Assistant Director
Teresa Klucker, 9-1-1 ETSB Secretary

Others In Attendance:

Daryl Ostendorf, MECOMM Supervisor

Sheriff Watson called the meeting of the ETSB to order at 9:00 a.m. on October 13, 2020 via conference call.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Richard Watson – present
Donald Feher – present
George Chance – present
Kevin Elbe – present
Ken Easterley – present
Randy Bolle – present
Kendall Perry – present

Public Comments:

Approval of Minutes: Sheriff Watson asked for approval of the minutes for the September 8, 2020 meeting. A motion was made by Ken Easterley and seconded by Kendall Perry to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

Attorney Report: Attorney Kevin Kaufhold updated the ETSB Board on the Madison County case. No action needs to be taken by the ETSB Board at this time.

Director's Report:

Items For Information:

Monthly Call Statistics: Director Simmons referred to the call statistics for the ETSB Board to review.

PSAP Consolidation Update: Director Simmons informed the ETSB Board that the 9-1-1 Advisory Board meeting scheduled for September was cancelled. Beginning with the October meeting, the 9-1-1 Advisory Board plans to renew talks regarding the 9-1-1 legislation rewrite. A conference call was held with 9-1-1 organizations NENA and APCO concerning proposed legislation to add responsibilities to 9-1-1 centers regarding the dispatching and tracking of mental health resources to emergency scenes. ETSB Consultant John Bradley is working closely with these organizations and law makers opposing the legislation as it is currently written.

Items for Action: Director Simmons requested the ETSB Board's approval to negotiate a new contract and replace the existing phone system in the ETSB building. The current system is antiquated and cannot provide the capacity or functions needed for the future. A final purchase price totaling \$19,944.14 was negotiated with AT&T, including a discount of \$13,609.98. This upgrade will allow for capacity and functionality in a state-of-the-art system. Sheriff Watson asked for a motion to approve the purchase of the new ETSB phone system with AT&T at a cost of \$19,944.14. A motion was made by Don Feher and seconded by George Chance. The motion passed unanimously.

Roll Call:

Richard Watson – yes

Donald Feher – yes

George Chance – yes

Kevin Elbe – yes

Ken Easterley – yes

Randy Bolle – yes

Kendall Perry – yes

Financial Summaries: Sheriff Watson asked for a motion to approve the financial reports. A motion was made by Randy Bolle and seconded by Ken Easterley to approve the September 2020 Audit Trail and Surcharge Report and the August 2020 Fund Summary. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

New Business:

Executive Session:

Public Comments:

Adjournment: Sheriff Watson asked for a motion to adjourn. At 9:06 a.m., a motion to adjourn was made by Randy Bolle and seconded by Ken Easterley. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
Teresa Klucker

NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2020