

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

Minutes of the February 9, 2021 Meeting

In Attendance:

Board Members:

Former Fire Chief Donald Feher, Vice Chairman
Former Mayor George Chance
Mr. Ken Easterley
Mr. Randy Bolle
Chief Kendall Perry

Absent:

Sheriff Richard Watson, Chairman
Mr. Kevin Elbe

Staff:

Herbert Simmons, 9-1-1 ETSB Executive Director
Kevin Kaufhold, ETSB Attorney
Randy Randolph, 9-1-1 Operations Manager
Teresa Klucker, 9-1-1 ETSB Secretary

Others In Attendance:

Daryl Ostendorf, MECOMM Supervisor

Vice Chairman Donald Feher called the meeting of the ETSB to order at 9:00 a.m. on February 9, 2021 via conference call.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

George Chance complimented Director Simmons and Chairman Kern on their handling of the Covid-19 vaccination clinic at the Belle-Clair Fairgrounds.

Public Comments:

Approval of Minutes: Don Feher asked for approval of the minutes for the January 12, 2021 meeting. A motion was made by George Chance and seconded by Randy Bolle to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

Attorney Report: Attorney Kevin Kaufhold updated the ETSB Board on the Madison County case. He is also researching FOIA items. 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 January meeting of the Statewide 9-1-1 Advisory Board was cancelled due to lack of a quorum. Assistant Director Bryan Whitaker has been appointed to the Statewide Illinois Association of Public Safety Communications Officials (APCO) Executive Board. He will be sworn in on February 11, 2021.

Items for Action:

Priority Dispatch Contract Renewal: Director Simmons requested the ETSB Board's approval to renew the Priority Dispatch contract for the Emergency Medical Dispatch component and software at all PSAPs. Payments will be made annually over the 5 year contract, totaling \$160,190.00. Staff was able to negotiate the 5 year contract with a savings of \$19,975.00 over the life of the contract versus continuing with a year to year contract.

Don Feher asked for a motion to approve the renewal the Priority Dispatch contract at 5 years for a total of \$160,190.00. A motion was made by Kendall Perry and seconded by George Chance. The motion passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote:

Richard Watson – absent

Donald Feher – yes

George Chance – yes

Kevin Elbe – absent

Ken Easterley – yes

Randy Bolle – yes

Kendall Perry – yes

Financial Summaries: Don Feher asked for a motion to approve the financial reports. A motion was made by George Chance and seconded by Kendall Perry to approve the January 2021 Audit Trail and Surcharge Report and the December 2020 Fund Summary. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

New Business: Vice Chairman Feher commented on an article in the St. Louis Post Dispatch regarding the rate that 9-1-1 calls are answered. Director Simmons said that St. Clair County has an average rate of 4 seconds, which is well below the national average.

Executive Session:**Public Comments:**

Adjournment: Don Feher asked for a motion to adjourn. At 9:11 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, MARCH 9, 2021