

EFFINGHAM COUNTY EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYTEM BOARD MINUTES

October 15, 2024 11:30 a.m.

EFFINGHAM COUNTY BUILDING 3rd FLOOR BOARD ROOM

Board Members Present: Jason McFarland, Dave Campbell, John Maguire, Dave Budde, Brant Yochum, Dave Mahon, Jake Buhnerkempe

Absent: P Kuhns, Larry Thies

Others Present: Tina Daniels, Jason Repking, Billie Bales, Travis Buhnerkempe, Jill Zerrusen, Kara Haarmann/Weis Ins, Chris Overbeck (GTSi), Greg Sapp, Doug McCain

Minutes

J McFarland motioned/D Mahon seconded minutes of the September 17, 2024 meeting were approved as written. ***Motion carried.***

Liability Insurance Proposal – Kara Haarmann, from Weis Insurance, presented a proposed renewal premium summary in comparison to last year. The renewal annual premium was \$34,082, which increased by 22%. The primary reasons for the increase was adding the additional equipment to the radio towers, the lightning claim from last year for \$46,000 and a 10% increase in property values, due to inflation. The deductible for the Inland Marine increased from \$1,000 to \$2,500. Kara said if we wanted to raise it to \$5,000, she could decrease the premium by \$1,960. The Board would like for her to get a quote to include a \$5,000 deductible on everything. This was tabled to November’s meeting.

Financial Report & Expenditure Report

A financial report was given by J Buhnerkempe showing a September 30, 2024 balance of \$1,943,473.11 along with an Expenditure Statement for bills to be approved for \$17,512.08. D Budde motioned/B Yochum seconded to accept the financial and approve expenditure reports. Included in the bills, was \$2,500.00 to GTSi for removal of inoperable equipment and per diems for (4) employees to attend the IPSTA Conference. (Roll call vote: Approving votes: J McFarland, D Campbell, J Maguire, D Budde, B Yochum, D Mahon, J Buhnerkempe; Disapproving votes: 0; Absent: P Kuhns, L Thies) ***Motion carried.***

Committee Reports

Quarterly Emergency Agencies Committee

- There was not a quorum present. No meeting held.

Finance Committee

- Addition of StarCom Radios – There was an addition of mobiles for the City Police & Specialty Use mobiles for Effingham Fire at \$10.00/month. A radio audit is being done to make sure the user fees & radios in use agree.
- FY25 Proposed Budget for Layover (see attached) – The Finance Committee met October 8, 2024 and worked on the FY25 budget. They increased the StarCom User Fees to \$81,000. This was due to an increase in user fees and addition of StarCom Radios. FY25 Budget Total Expenses \$ 1,240,337; Total Income \$901,000; Total Available Funds \$1,241,000, Total Revenue over Expense \$663. \$340,000 will be used from the Dieterich Bank Money Market to complete the attached Capital Equipment & Computer Software Projects. J McFarland motioned/D Mahon seconded to layover the proposed FY25 budget for vote at the November 19, 2024 meeting. (Voice Vote: 7-0; 2 Absent.) ***Motion carried.***

Addressing/GIS Report- Jill Zerrusen

Addressing (see attached report).

- 2 new addresses & reassign 3 existing; Local POs, Wabash, Co Clerk, Clayton Homes, City address questions/review; Julie Mayhaus address issue; general address questions/ verifications/phone calls/letters.

Mapping (see report)

- Data to Gail; Add addresses for Teutopolis & Beecher City; point/range edits; MSAG edits; Building permits; general mapping questions/updates/discussions

System Administrator's Report – Tina Daniels

- See attached monthly 911 phone data & CAD data for both PSAP's.
- Daniels attended the Virtual Townhall Review of 1325 on September 27th. The discussion centered around how much oversight the Illinois State Police needs to have over the allowables of 911 funds. The consensus of the 911 professionals, on the call, was that Illinois should follow the guidelines that have been created by the FCC.
- Daniels & Bales attended the Motorola Midwest Users Group Conference October 1st-3rd. They attended several informative classes.
- The IFERN frequency, which was still being transmitted from the South water tower, awaiting the transition to the Siemer's tower, went out on September 25th. Global used the new Cradlepoint devices to get IFERN back up at the City PSAP. BeckTech and Global are scheduled to move the IFERN frequency to the Siemer tower this afternoon.

IT Report- Jason Repking

- Preventive Daily Maintenance/Monitoring with Spillman server/software/correspondence (see attached report)
- 911 Network Support- Installed VPN & Touch for users; InDigital meeting; Issues w/kvm City; worked on IT budget; Budget Meeting; Firewall update (see attached report)

Old Business

- Chris Overbeck reported all the inoperable pieces of equipment have been removed but one, which will need a crane for removal.
- Effingham Tower Site Inspections – We received (2) quotes. BeckTech \$4,700.00 and GTSi \$4,500.00. J Maguire motioned/J Buhnerkempe seconded to accept the quote from GTSi for \$4,500.00. (Roll call vote: Approving votes: J McFarland, D Campbell, J Maguire, D Budde, B Yochum, D Mahon, J Buhnerkempe; Disapproving votes: 0; Absent: P Kuhns, L Thies) ***Motion carried.***
- Recognition to Responsible Owner of Tower Site – D Campbell presented a sample of a plaque to be presented to Siemer Milling Company. With a few minor corrections to the wording on the plaque, Siemer's will be recognized at the November meeting.

New Business

- Nothing reported.

General Information/Public Comments

- Nothing reported.

Adjournment

On a motion by D Mahon and seconded by B Yochum the meeting was adjourned to November 19, 2024 at Noon in the 3rd Floor County Board Room at the Effingham County Building. ***Motion carried.***

Minutes Submitted by Joyce Worman
911 Administrative Aide