

**IROQUOIS COUNTY ETSB MEETING**  
**August 23, 2016 7:00pm**

**Opening of the Meeting**

Chairman Ryan Brault opened the meeting at 7:00pm. Members present were Ryan Brault and Vern Grohler. Larry Bauer and Marvin Stichnoth arrived at 7:03. Daniel Rayman arrived at 7:10. Member absent was Jeremy Douglas. Also present were BJ Buss from Emergitech, Wendy Davis from Watseka Times Republic, 911 Coordinator Nita Dubble, and Assistant 911 Coordinator Sandy Drake.

Roll call for mileage reimbursement: Answering yes were Brault and Grohler. Stichnoth & Rayman indicated yes upon arrival. Bauer declined.

**Approval of Minutes**

Grohler made a motion to approve the July 12, 2016 minutes. Seconded by Stichnoth. Minutes were accepted.

**Public Comment**

No Report.

**Old Business**

Dubble received the AR911 report from the State which must be completed by October 1, 2016.

**New Business**

The Illinois Public Safety Telecommunicator Conference will be November 6 thru 9 at the Crowne Plaza in Springfield. Brault, Douglas, Grohler, Dubble, and Drake will attend.

**Equipment / Facility Operations / MSAG**

BJ Buss from Emergitech gave a presentation on their IP 9-1-1 system. This system would replace the current 911 phone system and would be a step toward becoming next generation compliant which would include the ability to accept texts to 911. The fact that the current phone system is very antiquated and components are no longer manufactured or available in many cases was discussed. Following the presentation there was discussion regarding the functionality of the software/hardware. The quote total of \$180,000.00 was reviewed. Maintenance for the 2<sup>nd</sup> year would be \$16,500.00. Buss left the meeting. The members stated they would like to see this system "live" if possible. Dubble contacted Buss via phone and Buss indicated that he could return and provide an online demo. At this time no decisions were made.

Dubble advised the doors on the generator need to have the rust sanded off and repainted to keep them from deteriorating.

Dubble stated that Code Red has contacted her and would like to attend a 911 board meeting to give a presentation on their product. Dubble will coordinate a time for them to attend.

**Public Safety**

Dubble reviewed the July 2016 dispatch stats.

The Public Safety tax was discussed and how much a ¼ cent may provide – approximately \$400,000.00. These funds would be utilized for public safety within the Sheriff's Office and the 911 Center. Only agencies that are budgeted under the county board can make use of these funds.

**Finance / Personnel / Public Relations**

Dubble advised of a telecommunicator still off on medical leave. The return date is still unknown.

The ETSB budget figures were discussed. The Contingency line item was adjusted to reflect five percent of the expenses. A two percent increase was included for Dubble and Drake. The group insurance line item was decreased. The Joint Dispatch line item was changed to include \$34,000.00. Bauer questioned the office expense line item increase. Dubble explained that as the purchase of equipment line item can only include purchases over \$10,000.00 this line item was set at \$25,000 and office expense, mileage and travel, and maintenance and repairs were increased. Bauer also questioned the two percent increase for Dubble and Drake. Discussion followed. Rayman made a motion to approve the fiscal year 2017 budget for the ETSB as amended and presented. Seconded by Grohler. Motion passed with yes votes by Brault, Grohler, Rayman, and Stichnoth. No vote by Bauer. Motion passed.

The Board reviewed the bills submitted. Grohler made a motion to accept the ETSB & ICOM finances based on the claims presented. Seconded by Stichnoth. Motion passed.

**Other Business**

No Report

**Adjournment**

There being no further business Rayman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Stichnoth seconded. Meeting adjourned at 9:04 p.m. The next ETSB meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. on September 20, 2016.