

IROQUOIS COUNTY ETSB MEETING

July 08, 2014

Opening of the Meeting

Vice-Chairman Lebeck opened the meeting at 6:30pm. Members present were Ryan Brault, Jeff Glenn, Vern Grohler, Derek Hagen, Frank Hines, Roger Lebeck, Howard Loy, and John Solomon. Members absent were Jason Brown, Ron Gocken, Joel Moore, and Jed Whitlow. Also present were 911 Coordinator Nita Dubble, Richard Corke of Cissna Park Police Department, County Board Member Donna Crow (arrived at 7:00), and Sandy Drake.

Roll call for mileage reimbursement: Answering yes were Brault, Grohler, Hines, Lebeck, and Loy, Answering no were Glenn, Hagen, and Solomon.

Approval of Minutes

Loy moved to accept the June 17, 2014 minutes. Seconded by Grohler. Minutes were accepted.

Public Comment

No Report.

Old Business

No Report.

New Business

Discussions regarding the letter from the County Board Chairman send to the ETSB and all contracted entities dated May 29, 2014, re: suggestions regarding a new plan.

- The equipment currently used for dispatching is owned by the ETSB. This totals approximately \$1.5 million.
- Whether or not the ETSB can afford to offer funds in addition to the equipment was brought up several times.
- In the past years, the ETSB has picked up the “slack” in funds when both the County and City were unable to provide the full amount as agreed on the contract. This comes to approximately \$300,000.00 over time. This does not seem to be recognized by the County Board.
- Discussed meeting with the City of Watseka and with the County Board to draw up a fair and workable agreement.
- The possibility of the dispatchers being put under the ETSB seems a workable solution.
- The ETSB is only required to maintain the equipment, not to pay for the dispatchers.
- The following motion was made by Brault:
 - Reply to Chairman Copas’ letter with our own letter, stating that our request/idea is to maintain the ICOM Board as is, status quo. The only difference being the financial contributions of the entities making up the intergovernmental agreement will change, amounts to be determined. The equipment will continue to be furnished and maintained by the ETSB for dispatching purposes. Seconded by Loy. Motion passed. (A copy to be sent to all County Board members.)
- It was decided to have a committee from the ETSB attend the Policy & Procedure meeting set for 10:00 a.m. on July 31st to discuss the above mentioned letter.

Equipment Procurement

The “all county” tornado siren button was tested again in July and does not set them all off. Each must be done manually. Onarga and Crescent City did not work, but have been fixed.

Facility Operations

No Report.

Fire Service and EMS

No Report.

Law Enforcement

No Report.

MSAG

No Report.

Personnel

Discussion regarding Dubble's contract with the ETSB. Brault made a motion and Grohler seconded to ratify the signed employment agreement dated the 25th day of March 2014 between Nita Dubble and the ETSB. Motion passed.

Public Relations

No Report.

Joint Dispatch

No Report.

Finance

Discussion regarding new legislation and the audit that will be necessary to the Illinois Commerce Commission in October. Dubble will inquire as to how much an audit will cost the ETSB. (It would appear the County's audit will not fall within the timeframe necessary and may not be detailed enough to satisfy the ICC requirements.)

The 2015 budget will be discussed at the next ETSB meeting.

The Board reviewed the bills submitted. Glenn made a motion to approve the bills and accept the finances based on the claims presented. Seconded by Hines. Motion passed.

Other Business

No Report.

Adjournment

Hagen made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by . Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm. The next meeting will be August 19th at 6:30 p.m.

** Audio of the full meeting is available for review.**