

IROQUOIS COUNTY ETSB MEETING
October 23, 2019 11:00 AM
Clifford Bury Administrative Center – County Board Room
1001 East Grant St. Watseka, IL

Opening of the Meeting

Chairman Charles Alt opened the meeting at 11:00 AM. Members present were Charles Alt, Jeremy Douglas, Dave Morgeson, Warren Weber, and Joe Young. Greg Conrad was absent. Also present was Finance Manager Jill Johnson and ETS Director Eric Raymond.

Roll Call for mileage reimbursement:

Aye: Alt, Young

Nay: Douglas, Morgeson, Weber

Approval of Agenda

Young made a motion to approve the October 23, 2019 agenda. Douglas seconded.

Motion carried by a voice vote.

Public Comments

No comments

Discuss 2020 Fiscal Year budget

- a. Board member Greg Conrad was not able to be present at the meeting and had requested that his comments be read from his email to Eric Raymond.

Eric,

Thanks for the update.

Here are my thoughts in regards to the 2020 Budget. Since I will not be able to attend the next 2 meetings, please share my thoughts and ask my fellow board member to consider my opinions prior to approving any budget.

First off; I have been unable to find any information that indicates that the next gen 911 Software and data upgrades previously discussed in our meetings are required by law and what if any penalties will be assessed for non compliance. With this understanding I can not approve a budget that includes spending (deficit or otherwise) on Next gen 911 until those questions can be answered.

Secondly; I also firmly believe any budget that we pass should be balanced and include funding that is fair and equitable from both the County and ETSB. If the County and Watseka say the funding is not there then we can only consider a budget that controls expenses to better align with the income we expect to receive from our various funding sources.

How we accomplish that will be the challenge. (suggestions):

- 1.) Forgoe capital projects (if legal to do so)
- 2.) Return/decline grant money that requires additional spending related to now declined capital projects.
- 3.) Request that the County and Watseka honor all prior funding agreements (whether formal/informal).

- 4.) We will be making assumptions regarding the union contract, since negotiations will not be complete prior to passing a budget. These assumptions need to be scrutinized to ensure we have a buffer against any significant increase over what we are assuming.

Thanks

Greg

- b. Raymond passed out multiple Joint dispatch and ETSB budget revisions. The Finance committee had met on 10/17/2019 and had made the decision to have the ETSB pay \$120,000 to the Joint Dispatch budget. Then, \$135,000 will go to the Joint Dispatch budget from the Public Safety Tax funds. Additionally, the Iroquois County Sheriff was appointed funds as well. Raymond reminded the difference between the ETSB's budget difference is \$200,000 which is the decision of whether or not to purchase a new radio system for the coming fiscal year. It was furthered stated that the amount of the 2019 Grant is \$154,605.15:
1. \$58,854.15 – Emergitech IP 9-1-1 phone system
 2. \$1,250.00 – Text Messaging
 3. \$94,501.00 – CAD (Zuercher)

The 2020 Grant total request will be for \$172,500:

1. \$150,000 – GIS Mapping
2. \$22,500 – Call Recording system

After considerable discussion it was moved by Weber to Approve budget Revision (1) adding a Grant Line of \$154,605.15 changing the Purchase of Equipment to \$325,000 which makes the net income \$259.15. Seconded by Douglas

Roll Call vote was taken

Aye – Alt, Douglas, Weber, Young

Nay – Morgeson

Old Business

- none

New Business

- none

Other Business

- none

Adjournment

Being as there was no further business to discuss amongst the board Morgeson made a motion to adjourn at 12:29PM. Weber seconded. Motion carried by a voice vote.