

**MENARD COUNTY
EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD
MEETING MINUTES**

May 20, 2024

The regular meeting of the Menard County ETSB was called to order by Ron Cooley at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Mike Chandler, Karen Boensel, Rich Brauer, Dave King, Phillip Miller, and Mike Burg

Members Absent: John Balster, Pat Rebbe, Daniel Schirding, Ron Cooley, Ben Hollis

BOARD MINUTES

- A motion to accept the consent agenda of the May 20, 2024, ETSB regular meeting was made Dave King, and seconded by Phillip Miller. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.
- A motion to accept the minutes of March 18, and April 15, 2024, as presented was made by Rich Brauer and seconded by Dave King. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.
- A motion to accept the financial reports as presented was made by Dave King and seconded by Rich Brauer. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

911 COORDINATOR REPORT

- State Fund: The reason we don't show much revenue for April is because the State money did not get received until May 2nd.
- CD's: John talked with Molly and she also thought we could do at least another \$50,000 CD with the way the other CD's will come due. A motion was made by Phillip Miller to have John talk to Molly and to stagger the wealth of \$200,000.00. Dave King seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.
- Cass County Upgrade: The Board has not decided yet as to which direction to go on the radios themselves. They did vote last week to update the console here in the PSAP. They decided to purchase a new Zetron console. This will be able to accommodate either the VHF or Starcom system. It should also be able to accommodate Menard County equipment. GRSI sent the contract over this week, so once it is reviewed and signed, they will place the order and put us on the schedule. Please let me know if you have any further questions, signed by Victoria L. DeFord, Cass County E911 Coordinator. This will be Late fall or at least a year before completion. Our Board suggests setting up a sub-committee of Phillip Miller, Ben Hollis, Dave King, Ron Cooley, and John Balster to handle.
- Logan County Update: John talked with Josh Gasparini this week and he has spoken to his Board and they feel that there would be no issue if we wanted to continue looking at using them as a backup PSAP. I told him we would continue to look at this matter and would keep him updated if we would like to go to one of there Board meetings to discuss in further detail.
- Pat Rebbe: Pat is going to be stepping down from the board. Chris Henderson said he would replace him if County Board approves. Pat is also stepping down from Fire Chief. Eric Heubner will be the new Chief after tomorrow. Pat will still be on the department but is just freeing up time for family. The Board will

need to either vote to replace Pat Rebbe with Chris Henderson to keep the City of Petersburg involved with the Board or if there are any other nominees that the Board would have in mind. The Menard County 911 Board all agreed Chris Henderson will be OK.

PSAP UPDATE

- Hired a temporary dispatcher
- 2 out of 10 dispatchers need jail training.
- Replaced switchboards due to AT&T upgrade.

OLD BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS

- June Meeting will be cancelled.
- July Meeting will be cancelled due to Menard County Fair.

HEARING OF CITIZENS

- None

SPECIAL COMMITTEES REPORT

- None

ADJOURN

- A motion to adjourn was made by Rich Brauer and seconded by Dave King. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, August 19, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at the Menard County Courthouse.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Boensel
Secretary/Board Member