

Jackson County Emergency Telephone System Board
Minutes of November 20, 2006

At approximately 6:00 p.m. Ross Bedar called the meeting to order. Members present were: Ross Bedar, Mark Berkowitz, Mike Bilderback, Jeff Bock, Robert Burns, Jim LeBeau, John Michalesko, Bob Morgan, and Todd Sigler. Also in attendance were John Clemons, Pat Lustig, and Pat Furtak.

Due to a lack of a quorum at the October 16, 2006 JCETSB Meeting the September 18, 2006 minutes were not approved nor were the bills approved for payment.

Motion by Jeff Bock to approve the minutes of the September 18, 2006 JCETSB meeting. Seconded by Mark Berkowitz. Motion carried.

There were no minutes for October 16, 2006.

In the absence of Randy Mathis, Financial Officer, Bob Morgan made a motion to approve the October bills in the amount of \$2,669.16. Motion seconded by Mike Bilderback. Motion carried.

Jim Le Beau made a motion to approve payment of the November 15, 2006 bills in the amount of \$4,219.10 as presented. Seconded by Mark Berkowitz. Motion carried.

There were neither Officer nor Committee reports.

John Clemons submitted the Attorney's report. There has been one subpoena request.

John also discussed the CML data spill problems with Pat Lustig.

The Infrastructure Maintenance fee regarding the City of Carbondale needs to be discussed in a closed session.

John reviewed the Resolution for Grant money and will discuss this in new business.

Pat Lustig submitted the Director's report. A section of the Illinois Municipal Telecommunication Tax Act, Public Act 92-526 has been declared unconstitutional. The section declared unconstitutional refers to taxes collected on wireless devices. Municipalities had the option to pay back this money, which was placed in a special fund, by the court. A portion of this money could be used by 9-1-1 systems to enhance their systems. Some municipalities chose not to pay back the monies collected.

The annual road sign inventory is almost completed. Fourteen townships are complete

Pat has met with 8 of the 16 counties that make up region 7 of Illinois NENA regarding a secure private IP network for public safety. Next Generation 911 (NG911) equipment is expected to be extremely expensive and if all the counties within the region shared the cost it would be less

expensive. At this time there is no funding from the legislature. Once funds are allocated grants could be available.

On October 23, 2006 at the INENA conference Pat Lustig was sworn in as Vice President of the Illinois NENA.

Vonage will submit surcharge monies to Jackson County 911 if we sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with them. Pat is waiting for the MOU from Vonage. If state legislation regarding Vonage is enacted the MOU would become invalid.

Clearwave Communications asked if Jackson County 911 would be "taxing" VoIP. Currently VoIP is not regulated. Pat responded indicating that both Jackson County Ordinance 90-05 and the Emergency Telephone System Act require a surcharge submission if they use the solution they are presently using. Pat has sent a letter expressing his concerns over the absence of ANI and ALI in their spills. If necessary, Pat will notify the ICC if he does not receive a response to his letter.

The annual Jackson County 911 Financial Audit for 2006 is approaching. Previously the JCETSB suggested a letter be sent to the auditor by John Clemons stating the audit needs to be completed in a timelier manner.

The State of Illinois Travel Guide Reimbursement Schedule has increased to .445 cents per mile. The State increase is effective 7/1/06 and normally we were advised to use January 1 as the effective date. The Board said it had been decided to use the July date and to adjust any mileages already paid.

A call volume report was included in the packet.

Old business – There have not been any bids for the Yukon. Jeff Bock said Jackson County 911 should use it until the upkeep gets too expensive. The other Board members agreed.

The 2007 Budget was included in the October packet. It is a deficit budget but lower than in 2006. There is equipment that needs replacement i.e. computers, GIS & exchange servers. The recording equipment is getting old; almost 10 years old, and we need to start thinking of replacement.

Motion by Jim LeBeau to approve the budget as presented. Seconded by Todd Sigler. Motion carried.

New business – Ross Bedar said we should obtain a plaque for Gary Hartlieb. Pat Lustig said one has already been ordered.

In regards to Maintenance Infrastructure Fee fund, a resolution instructing Pat Lustig to submit a grant is needed. The grant would be used towards the purchase of new recording equipment. Pat is in the process of getting estimate costs for new equipment. The grant application is due 1/31/07. John Clemons has reviewed the sample resolution.

Jeff Bock motioned a Resolution be approved to seek monies through a grant. Seconded by Todd Sigler. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Jeff Bock to go into closed session pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act for the purpose of discussing possible litigation as allowed by 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1). Seconded by Todd Sigler. The Board unanimously voted to go into Executive Session at 7:05 p.m. There were no objections to have Patrick Lustig, John Clemons and Pat Furtak remain for the closed session.

Motion to return to open session by Todd Sigler. Seconded by Jim LeBeau. Motion carried.

Return to open session at 7:22 p.m.

No action was taken in closed session.

Mark Berkowitz motioned John Clemons meet with the City of Carbondale Attorney Berkbigler and City Manager Jeff Doherty to discuss the Infrastructure Maintenance Fee.

Roll call taken with a result of 8 ayes and John Michalesko abstained. Bob Burns had left early and did not vote.

Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Jeff Bock. Seconded by Jim LeBeau. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:24 p.m.