

Jackson County Emergency Telephone System Board  
Minutes of May 18, 2009

Ross Bedar called the Jackson County Emergency Telephone System Board Meeting to order at approximately 6:05 p.m. Members present were: Ross Bedar, Jeff Bock, Robert Burns, Randy Mathis, John Michalesko, Dottie Miles, Bob Morgan and Todd Sigler. Also in attendance were John Clemons, Patrick Lustig and Pat Furtak. Mark Berkowitz, Jeff Grubbs, and Chris Mueller were excused. Mike Bilderback, John Evans and Kevin Reeves were absent.

Motion by Jeff Bock to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2009 JCETSB Meeting. Seconded by John Michalesko. Motion carried.

Motion by Randy Mathis, JCETS Financial Officer, to approve the May 18, 2009 bills as presented in the amount of \$6,771.62. Motion seconded by Dottie Miles. Motion carried.

There were no officer reports. Ross Bedar asked whose tree by the driveway is down and Pat Lustig said it was JCETSB's and he will have it taken care of.

There were no committee reports.

John Clemons submitted the Attorney's report. The VisionAir CAD issue is still pending.

John is working on the MediaCom contract. MediaCom is offering a 30-day option to cancel service.

John is also reviewing the Verizon T-1 tariff. There is no written agreement.

Pat Lustig submitted the Director's report. The first INENA Goes to Springfield on April 22, 2009 was very successful. The Illinois Legislators were very supportive of 9-1-1 and are willing to assist with the funding issues. INENA is conducting an audit to help support an increase in funding.

The storm caused minimum problems with 9-1-1 equipment and software applications. VisionAir worked okay with the exception of slowness at SIU. Pat Lustig noticed during the weather event of May 8<sup>th</sup>, that 911 calls were not coming into the PSAPs. Pat made several tests and determined Verizon's equipment was not working. Pat contacted Verizon and was told that the switch used to route 9-1-1 calls had shut down due to the switch being overwhelmed with the unusual amount of people attempting to dial 9-1-1.

GeoLynx mapping has some issues that need to be resolved.

CSI Next Generation 9-1-1 Association continues to meet. An RIF for equipment and services is to be approved at the next meeting.

The 2008 Jackson County 911 Financial Audit is complete and copies are available for the Board's review. The auditor did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial

reporting that they consider to be material weaknesses (pg 4, paragraph 3 of the auditor's report). John Clemons will have it published in the Murphysboro American.

Pat, Chairman Bedar, and Melinda Woker, GIS Technician will be attending the National NENA Conference in Ft. Worth, Texas on June 6<sup>th</sup> thru June 11<sup>th</sup>.

Call volume report was included in the Board packet.

Pat asked for a 3-year bid from Shelnut & Associates for the Jackson County 911 Financial Audit. He will also seek 2 other bids.

Ross Bedar commented that there was no surcharge from MediaCom and there was a new surcharge from Granite Telecommunications in the amount of \$12,208 for July 2005 thru March 2009. Pat said MediaCom had not arrived and Granite was a new dial tone supplier. He also said the wireless surcharge was not received due to insufficient appropriations by the State of Illinois. We will receive the missing funds sometime after July 1, 2009.

Ross also requested John Clemons send a letter to the ICC asking the names of companies providing dial tone in Jackson County in order to know who should be submitting surcharge monies.

Old business – Pat Lustig checked to see what vehicles are available on Illinois State Contract and also local dealers. Illinois State Contract does not have any 4-wheel drive SUVs. Miles Chevrolet in Decatur does have 5 new 2007 Chevrolet Tahoes at a cost of \$28,500.

Jeff Bock motioned the JCETSB purchase a 2007 Tahoe. Seconded by Dottie Miles. Motion carried.

New business - Ross Bedar said \$100,000 in bonds had been called and placed in the money market account.

Motion by Jeff Bock to leave \$30,000 in the money market account and to reinvest the remaining \$70,000 at 5% interest. Seconded by Bob Morgan. Motion carried.

Jeff Bock stated the performance and assistance that Steve Dixon provided to all agencies was outstanding. Ross Bedar said the entire staff was outstanding. Robert Burns said the maps by Melinda Woker were very helpful in assisting the Emergency Management Agency's effort to assess damage.

Jeff Bock said the Jackson County 911 Office should have auxiliary power. Pat said Steve is compiling cost estimates and should have them available by next month's meeting.

Motion to adjourn by Jeff Bock. Seconded by Robert Burns. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:39 p.m.