

**EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD  
MADISON COUNTY, IL**

**Minutes of E.T.S.B. Subcommittee Meeting  
March 31, 2017**

**SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Rich Schardan	Retired Chief, Maryville Police Department
Steve Evans	Chief, Collinsville Police Department
Donald Moore	County Board Member
Rick Militello	Wood River Police Department
Todd Link	Chief, Glen Carbon Police Department
Dwight Smith	Granite City Police Department
Coleen Schaller	Glen Carbon Police Department

**SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT**

**9-1-1 COORDINATOR'S OFFICE STAFF PRESENT**

Terry McFarland	9-1-1 Coordinator
Dana Burris	Training Administrator
Ellen Rogers	Administrative Aide

**OTHERS**

Please see Sign-in sheet.

Mr. Schardan opened the meeting of the Subcommittee of the Emergency Telephone System Board at 1:03 p.m. on March 31, 2017.

The Subcommittee members introduced themselves and Mr. Schardan thanked them for volunteering to be on this subcommittee. Coordinator McFarland noted that during the last ETSB meeting, he mentioned a possible subcommittee to be formed. After discussion, volunteers for this subcommittee came forward and Coordinator McFarland directed they be put on the subcommittee.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

### **CONSOLIDATION OPTIONS**

Mr. Schardan stated that for consolidation purposes, the E.T.S.B. has considered options reducing the number of PSAPs down to anywhere from a span of 3-8 or 1-2 PSAPs. There was a discussion as to the best way to consolidate - whether to go to eight to comply with the mandate or reduce to a smaller number of PSAPs. There were concerns that going to less than eight would increase problems, such as issues with CAD systems, radio systems, and multiple agencies with multiple policing styles. There was also discussion that going to a one/two center option has obstacles. Concerns such as the cost to the County to build/remodel a facility, the time factor for this and the question of who would run it and how it would be run. While a one/two center option may have benefits, such as possible efficiency and future cost savings, because of the many issues involved, reducing the number of PSAPs to eight may be best. There was discussion that later going to one/two PSAPs could be possible, but going to eight now the County will have complied with the law and would not be in threat of losing funding. Other discussion included issues with buy-in from communities, call flow of 9-1-1 calls and communications with non-PSAP departments. There was also discussion of previous concerns that the State Advisory Board may later want further consolidation. However, this currently does not appear to be the case. More recently, there has been occasional mention that the State Advisory Board may look towards forming regional centers, but most likely that would not be a concern for many years.

There was discussion that Subcommittee members will contact Mayors and Chiefs to discuss the option(s), and other subcommittee members will look at the option(s) operationally to see what has to be done.

The Subcommittee plans on meeting again April 7<sup>th</sup> and April 18<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Mr. Smith moved that the meeting be adjourned. Ms. Schaller seconded said motion. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote, with the meeting adjourning at 2:30 p.m.**