

**Jersey County ETSB/E911 Special Meeting Minutes for
Tuesday, January 31, 2017**

Members Present: Mike Morgan, Heidi Carter, Brian Kanallakan, Steve Pohlman, Jim Wickenhauser, Don Prather, Mike Schlemer, Rob Hedger, Rhonda Wilson

Members Absent: Ron Floyd, Mike Wendle

Public Present: John Scheper, Don Little

Mike M. opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Comments or Concerns from the Public

None

Discussion and Possible Action Re: Dispatch Radio Console

John Scheper with GTSI explains what GTSI can offer in reference to our dispatch radio console. The payment which is currently being made will stay the same. GTSi is ready to take a \$2,500 cut to make the deal. Some benefits are as follows:

- It is a companion to the system we already have.
- It can have it upgraded as needed.
- Expandability
- Able to integrate with existing call handling system
- Having a back-up in place so we would be able to dispatch our resources more efficiently from other sites, if needed.
- It is more user-friendly.
- Able to use on multiple towers.
- We will be able to use it in the foreseeable future.

This is a system Macoupin County is currently using. If for some reason we were done, Macoupin could seamlessly operate from another site. There is infinite expandability, no single point of failure and no redundancy.

Medora is complete, but needs to be tested. It's not hooked up yet, although it is ready to implement.

Don Little suggests and asks ~ can maybe the ETSB / Sheriff / other public safety entities form a plan and figure out what needs to be done and how to pay for it? Put a game plan in place and then proceed from there. Plan on getting the costs/figures together and have it be a part of next year's budget.

Mike M. asked each member present for their thoughts, which are as follows:

- Mike S. – all for going forward.
- Heidi – we need a back-up system, however, the cost is scary. If only want to upgrade for a one specific reason, then don't spend the money now.
- Jim – he likes what's being offered, but he too is very concerned with the cost. Would like to see money being spent for a significant reason and not until the Sheriff's office and everyone else is on board.
- Don – his main concern is public safety.
- Steve – the cost should be incurred when we all can intergrade together.
- Brian – we need a plan and make sure everyone is on the same page before we move forward with any expenses. The matter needs to be discussed more prior to making a final decision.

Rob suggests putting this issue off until March's meeting. He'll get together with the Sheriff and the county board to see about getting a plan together and see where everyone is before moving forward. A motion was made to table this issue until the March meeting by Brian and seconded by Jim.

Motion passed.

A motion to go into Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussion & Possible Action Re: Contract Negotiations and Discussion & Possible Action Re: Personnel was made by Don and seconded by Heidi.

Motion passed.

The Board went into Executive Session at 8:12 p.m.

A motion to end Executive Session was made by Jim and seconded by Heidi.

Motion passed.

The Executive Session ended at 8:39 p.m.

Mike M. re-opened the Regular Meeting at 8:39 p.m.

Miscellaneous

None

A motion to adjourn was made by Don and seconded by Jim.

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.