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**MINUTES OF LIVINGSTON COUNTY E.T.S. BOARD
MEETING OF MARCH 20, 2012**

Chairman John Cummins called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

Roll call showed the following present: Cummins, Al Metzke, Carl Borngasser, Cindy Knight, Dale Newsome, Joe Stock and Jack Wiser. Absent were Earl McCoy, Marty Meredith and Jeremy Stoller.

Cummins led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Newsome, second by Borngasser to approve the February minutes. Voice vote unanimous.

Motion by Stock, second by Metzke to approve the February financial reports. Roll call vote unanimous.

OLD BUSINESS:

a. Bradshaw said most of the frequencies were switched to the new tower March 14 and 15. Several had to be switched back to the old tower until tweaking of the antennas could be done. The entire system crashed on March 19 and we were down for several hours until two new power supplies and a new A Link could be installed. Our emergency backup procedures were in effect during the outage. Antennas are being removed this week and the old tower will be coming down very soon.

NEW BUSINESS:

a. Cummins said we need to consider our narrow band deadline so we can notify all agencies that we are taking the lead and they need to get on board. Discussion was held as to what may be best for all agencies. September was the month chosen, to help the various vendors with their

scheduling. Newsome made a motion to notify all agencies that September 10 is the mandated date of transition, with a second by Stock. Voice vote was unanimous. Letters will be sent to all by us and MABAS 23 will also be backing up with a second notification.

COORDINATOR OF 911 REPORT:

Bradshaw said, additionally, with all the 911 outages we have experienced lately, we have filed a complaint with the ICC. We hope to get the phone company to clean up their act.

MANAGER OF COMMUNICATIONS REPORT:

Martin said, additionally, we have received an invoice for legal services concerning negotiations. County has always picked up this expense in the past. If we do have to pay it, the budget line item does not have enough in it to cover this and we will be well over. Borngasser said we should hold all of these invoices until negotiations are done and it will be decided then.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Bylaws–No report

Building–No report

Finance–Chairman Borngasser said he is still wanting to continue to discuss a long term dispatch finance plan when more members are here so we can get more input.

Personnel–Chairman Wiser said negotiations are continuing with a session scheduled for March 21.

Public Safety–Chairperson Knight said we are still having issues with some departments not answering their page. Valuable response time is being lost when an agency has to be paged two or three times.

Cummins said at least one department is in discussions to come up with a better plan for their agency.

Technical–No report

Motion by Newsome, second by Stock to go to executive session to discuss personnel. Roll call was unanimous. Executive session began at 10:40 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The regular meeting resumed at 11:24 a.m. Motion by Metzke, second by Stock to pursue the MOC position on an interim basis. Roll call was unanimous.

There were no comments from anyone present except Chairman Cummins who thanked Martin for her past service and wished her well in her new job.

There being no further business, Stock made a motion to adjourn with a second by Wiser. Voice vote unanimous, meeting adjourn at 11:26 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Lyle Wilson, Secretary *Lyle Wilson*