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**MINUTES OF LIVINGSTON COUNTY E.T.S. BOARD  
MEETING OF MAY 15, 2012**

Chairman John Cummins called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Roll call was taken with the following present: John Cummins, Al Metzke, Carl Borngasser, Cindy Knight, Dale Newsome and Jack Wiser. Absent were: Marty Meredith, Joe Stock and Jeremy Stoller. Also present were: Chairman Bill Fairfield and Mike Ingles of the Livingston County Board and Chief Tim Henson of the Dwight Police Dept., Candi Bradshaw, Kevin Rakoczy and Lyle Wilson.

Cummins led the pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Newsome, second by Metzke to approve the April minutes. Voice vote was unanimous.

Motion by Newsome, second by Borngasser to approve the financial reports. Roll call was unanimous.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

a. Mike Ingles did a lengthy presentation concerning the future of dispatch. Meetings have been held with the mayors of Pontiac, Dwight and Fairbury concerning this. He said they all felt there was no need for any big changes but that they should have some public meetings with our board. In their meetings they discussed increases in income and how to generate it. Mentioned were an increase in sales tax or an increase in user fees. Also he mentioned there should be some movement to have legislators increase the wireless 911 fee. All at the meetings agreed that central dispatch is very necessary and should not be eliminated. He said a long term agreement is needed between users and the ETSB. He also said we need to come up with a more realistic replacement schedule. He mentioned the county now covers some employee costs of telecommunicators and that co-employers can be

confusing and complicated. Therefore the county is suggesting they have control over the dispatch. Other ways to increase revenue would be studied, such as small annual increases in user fees keeping in mind we have tax caps in place. He also mentioned reviewing the equipment replacement fund annually and make changes where needed. He also said we might want to look at leasing equipment where possible. He would like to see some sort of agreement as soon as possible. Newsome said we need to have something in writing to look at. Ingles said he would have the county attorney make a draft of an agreement for us. He said he would like the agreement to formalize much of what county does today. Cummins said we need to get off center with this issue and now is the time to get something done. There was much discussion, however, Cummins said again that we need to see what is drawn up by county.

b. Bradshaw said site restoration is almost done. The fire suppression system is in, the fence is partially done and quotes have been looked over by Metzke for heating and air conditioning. Metzke said of the only two quotes returned they were pretty much identical in their specs. Metzke made a motion to accept the Tucker Refrigeration quote at \$4,386.00 and Newsome seconded it. Roll call was unanimous. When the above mentioned are done, the project will be complete and we will be well under budget.

c. In regard to narrowbanding, Cummins said every agency, fire boards and officials have been mailed a letter with the date, September 10, as the cutover date for Liv Com and that they need to be in compliance in order to be able to communicate with us.

Bradshaw praised Rakoczy for the job he is doing in his position. He is stepping right up and getting it done. Wilson also agreed with her.

NEW BUSINESS: None

COORDINATOR OF 911 REPORT:  
Nothing additional.

MANAGER OF COMMUNICATIONS REPORT:

Additionally, Rakoczy said with the shortage of TC's, there is a lot of overtime going out to get the shifts covered. Vacation time is coming and this will create even more. He said he has everything ready to go to start the hiring process. He has a few details to work out with HR and then the advertising will start.



COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Ad-Hoc Bylaws–No report

Building–No report

Finance–No report

Personnel–Chairman Wiser gave a brief report on negotiations

Public Safety–No report

Technical–No report

There was no need for an Executive Session.

There were no closing comments from the public.

In closing board comments Wiser said he would not be at the June meeting. Several others also said they would be absent. Cummins asked the secretary to poll the board and choose a date when we know we can get a quorum.

There being no further business, Newsome made a motion to adjourn with a second by Wiser. Meeting adjourn at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Lyle Wilson, Secretary Lyle Wilson