

**MENARD COUNTY  
EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEMS BOARD**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**March 15, 2021**

The regular meeting of the Menard County ETSB was called to order by Mike Chandler at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Karen Boensel, Jason Huffman, John Balster, Dave King, Ken Yocom, Ben Hollis, Daniel Schirding, Ron Cooley, Pat Rebbe, and Mike Chandler

Members Absent: Rich Brauer

**BOARD MINUTES**

- A motion to accept the consent agenda of the March 15, 2021, ETSB regular meeting was made by Ken Yocom and seconded by Dave King. All aye. Motion carried unanimously.
- A motion to accept the minutes of January 18, 2021, ETSB regular meeting and there was no meeting February 15, 2021, was made by Ron Cooley and seconded by Jason Huffman. All aye. Motion carried unanimously.
- A motion to accept the financial reports as presented was made by Dave King and seconded by Pat Rebbe. All aye. Motion carried unanimously.

**911 COORDINATOR REPORT**

- Cass Communication is doing a study on Oakford at this time. John has been in talks with them.
- Petersburg Fire settled with the officer who initiated the call.
- Software Maintenance fee still has Oakford and Tallula as outstanding.
- John has been addressing and spoke with Bob Lott and Dara Worthington about the new county GIS employee, Jared Stredler. Brian is trying to assist in the transition but Jared will have to get acquainted with where it is rural and city. They are having trouble with some of the database.
- Reports have been sent.

**PSAP UPDATE**

- Need new EMD cards and would like to go digital with them. Jason will check on how to proceed.
- Backroom has been rewired but remodel is still a work in progress. Will meet with Cass County.
- Admin outage was due to a bad AT&T router.
- Athens sirens are now programmed into 911.



## OLD BUSINESS

- The Vet Clinic address dilemma is still tabled for now. Ben Hollis may let Dr. O'Brien name the road in the hopes of selling the idea and correcting our issues.
- NG911 needs networking and cabling around \$6,000.00 yet. Equipment is read to operate except for the State Police.
- Edge Electric and Ben viewed all towers to make an assessment for a quote on generators. It was suggested to use propane at around \$5,700.00. John wants Tice Tower taken care of because it is the hub and Ben wants Vineyard Hills also. Oakford Tower's signal did not come across 911 dispatch so we will have Steve check out why.

## NEW BUSINESS

- Nominations for Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, and Secretary. A motion to elect was made by Ben Hollis and seconded by Dave King for the following:  
  
Chairperson: Mike Chandler  
Vice-Chairperson: Ken Yocom  
Secretary: Karen Boensel  
  
All aye. Motion carried unanimously.
- Pat Rebbe discussed the new Ozella Construction sub-division and will send a map to John. John will check with Jared.

## HEARING OF CITIZENS

- None

## SPECIAL COMMITTEES REPORT

- None

## ADJOURN.

- A motion to adjourn was made by Daniel Schirding and seconded by Jason Huffman. All aye. Motion carried unanimously.

The next regular meeting will be held on April 19, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. at the Menard County Courthouse.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Boensel  
Secretary/Board Member