

MINUTES

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

First Floor Conference Room
53 South La Grange Road
La Grange, IL 60525

Monday, February 22, 2010 - 6:45 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

A meeting of the Emergency Telephone System Board (ETSB) of the Village of La Grange was held on Monday, February 22, 2010, in the First Floor Conference Room of the Village Hall and was called to order at 6:55 p.m. by Village President Elizabeth Asperger.

Present and constituting a quorum were: Trustee Bill Holder, Fire Chief Dave Fleege and Police Chief Mike Holub with Chairman Asperger presiding.

Absent was: Village Manager Bob Pilipiszyn

Also present were: Assistant Village Manager Andri Peterson and Finance Director Lou Cipparrone.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the ETSB meeting of February 23, 2009 were presented for approval with no changes noted. It was moved by Chief Holub, seconded by Village Chief Fleege that the ETSB Minutes of February 23, 2009 be approved.

3. REVIEW OF THE EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD BUDGET FOR FY 2009-10\

Revenues: Finance Director Cipparrone briefly reviewed the two primary revenue sources for the ETSB Fund: 1) 911 Surcharge Fee of \$.75 per land line and 2) Wireless 911 Surcharge. The Village receives \$.49 of the \$.75 fee per line wireless fee with the balance funding telecommunications grants for rural areas in downstate Illinois.

Revenues are expected to continue their current trends with the 911 Surcharge decreasing and the Wireless 911 Surcharge increasing due to the growing use of cellular phones, including family packages with multiple lines and households eliminating land lines for internet access to cable or DSL.

The Wireless Emergency Telephone Safety Act requires the Illinois Commerce Commission to annually review funds available for grant requests and distribute surplus funds to local agencies. This is the second year of the required surplus calculation which resulted in a distribution to the Village in the amount of approximately \$9,000, which resulting in FY 2009-10 estimated actual revenues being over budget. In addition, based on year-to-date receipts, annual 911 Surcharge revenues are budgeted in the amount of \$150,000 in subsequent years.

FY 2010-11 reflects receipt of federal funding to enhance law enforcement technology and equipment including the next phase of 911 services and digital mapping.

Expenses: Finance Director Cipparrone briefly reviewed the various routine operating expenditures within the fund.

Chief Holub reported that the FY 2010-11 budget also includes the use of reserve funds in the amount of \$130,000 for the replacement of the Emergency 911 system in the Dispatch Center. This new technology will allow for implementation of Phase II wireless 911 calls, which provides more specific information regarding the location of a wireless call. In addition, this budget includes funds in the amount of \$25,000 for the implementation of an enhanced digital map which will provide for greater utilization and analysis of Police Department information and data. This project was previously budgeted in FY 2009-10 but was delayed to coincide with the replacement of the 911 system.

Additional funding in the amount of \$90,000 is included in the ERF Fund to augment the replacement of the Emergency 911 systems. As noted previously, federal funds in the amount of \$100,000 have been appropriated to offset the cost of this new law enforcement technology and equipment.

The FY 2010-11 budget also includes the purchase of two Toughbook mobile data terminals (MDT's) for the Fire Department's ambulance and lead engine, \$13,000 and 12 portable radios for the Police Department, \$9,200. The FY 2011-12 budget reflects \$13,000 for the purchase of two additional MDT's for the Fire Chief and Command vehicles. The MDT's will allow the Fire Department a means of quickly and efficiently accessing critical information for our responders and command staff in route to, and while operating at, emergency incidents to improve firefighter safety, accountability and mitigation efforts.

Discussion ensued regarding ETSB operations with questions relating to technology and reserve funds being asked and answered.

Upon a motion by Trustee Holder, seconded by President Asperger, it was moved that the ETSB recommend to the Village Board of Trustees the adoption of the FY 2010-11 ETSB budget as presented.

4. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved: 02/24/11

Lou Cipparrone
Finance Director