

DEKALB COUNTY ETSB

Minutes of the Board Meeting of April 6, 2005

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Olson called the meeting to order at 7:39 AM

ROLL CALL

Board members present:

Chairman Olson, Feithen, Hanson, Leoni, Pettit, Riddle, Russell, Rosemier.

Board members absent: Bowman and Suppeland

Guests Present:

Lt. Al Newby, DeKalb County Sheriff's Police; Brent Tillman, DeKalb Police Department; Jim Feyerherm, Starved Rock Communications; Glenna Johnson, Geo-Comm, Jim Tollakson, Verizon.

Also Present: Christine Johnson, DeKalb County Treasurer; Charles Kross, Coordinator

AGENDA

The Chairman asked for any amendments to the agenda. A motion to approve the agenda as amended was made by **Riddle** and seconded by **Leoni**. There was no discussion. The motion passed.

MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes of the March 2, 2004 meeting was made by **Riddle** and seconded by **Leoni**. The motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

◆ **Treasurer's Report:**

Treasurer **Johnson** presented the March financial report.

A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by **Russell**, and seconded by **Rosemier**. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

● **Bills Not Previously Approved:** None

● **Bills:**

Language Line	50.00
Spectrasite Communications- interface study	1900.00
Verizon	16362.37
Verizon	115.38
Verizon	43.78
Verizon	35.04

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Verizon	231.79
Verizon	227.67
Verizon	221.50
Sprint	26.48
Starved Rock Communications	2278.75
DeKalb Co. Housing Author.	200.00
AT&T	28.50
Communications Direct – Cortland pagers	1200.00
Communications Direct – Hinckley Pagers	1200.00
Frederick Technology, Inc. – Sandwich pagers	1200.00
Dell Marketing LP – DeKalb County Sheriff's Police	18.00
Dell Marketing LP – DeKalb County Sheriff's Police	1351.20
Dictaphone	1122.00
NiComm LLC – Sycamore	3906.00
Total	\$31,668.47

A motion to pay the bills was made by **Russell** and seconded by **Rosemier**. A roll call vote was taken: Feithen Y Hanson Y Leoni Y Pettit Y Riddle Y Rosemier Y Russell Y Olson Y. The motion passed.

◆ **Keslinger Road Tower Report**

Feyerherm reported that the county has not yet given the okay to go ahead. **Newby** reported that it was merely a matter of red tape and that the approval should be issued very soon.

◆ **Other Fire Radio Reports**

1. Genoa – the new parabolic antenna has been mounted on the top of the water tower and is working very well.
2. Fire Department Printers – report next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

• **Discussion of funding County Fire Dispatch**

Chairman Olson opened the discussion by stating that some of the Board members feel that it may be the responsibility of the ETSB to discuss the funding of Countywide Fire Dispatch with the local Fire Districts. The feeling is that more of the burden of Fire Dispatch should be funded at the local level, rather than expecting the County and ETSB to fund it. Many of the Districts are already receiving funding from the ETSB for equipment. In some cases more than the community provides through the ETSB surcharge. The result is that some feel that the larger communities are subsidizing the smaller communities, who are not paying their fair share. Especially considering that the ETSB wireline count continues to go down. **Russell** said that most of the Fire Protection Districts' budgets are on a fiscal year beginning May 1. Their budgets are predicated on property tax, which is under a cap. He suggested that an increase in the ETSB surcharge might be in order. **Rosemier** said that the Board should have a better idea of how much money is involved and what is needed. **Feithen** suggested that the Board should determine how much Fire Dispatch costs and how it is funded. **Olson** appointed **Hanson, Newby, and Tillman** to a committee to determine the costs of the entire county dispatch system and report to the Board.

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- **Participating Agency Requests** – none
- **PSAP Administrators' Report** – No report.
- **Persons to be Heard from the Floor** – No one
- ◆ **Coordinator's Report** – No report

ADJOURNMENT

Russell moved to adjourn the meeting, and was seconded by **Rosemier**. The motion passed.
The meeting adjourned at 8:13A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Kross, Coordinator