LAKE COUNTY EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

October 7, 2025, ETSB Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Chair Dato at 1:31 PM at Lake County EMA, 1303 N. Milwaukee Ave. Libertyville, IL 60048.

ROLL CALL:

- C. Buschick
- D. Dato
- D. Eder
- R. Hall
- S. Husak
- C. Smith
- D. Wermes

Absent:

- A. Becker
- C. Nickles

Staff:

- S. Winnecke
- K. Reinhard

Others present:

Jason Kern- LakeComm

Don Hansen- Mundelein

Jake Anderson- Mundelein

Maggie O'Brian- Motorola

Jeff Giacinto- Wauconda

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion Wermes, second Smith to approve the minutes of the September 2025 meeting. Discussion - None. Voice vote- All in favor, motion carries.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Approval of Treasurer's Report – Motion Husak, second Eder, to approve the September Treasurer's Report with a balance of \$10,539,701.98 and an estimated reserve balance of \$7,318,727.68 Discussion –None. Voice vote – All in favor, motion carries.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None

FINANCE: None

Approval of Vouchers – Motion Husak, second Buschick to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$57,030.87 and P-Card purchases in the amount of \$33,272.73 Discussion – None.

Roll Call:

Becker Absent Dato Yes Smith Yes Buschick Husak Wermes Yes Yes Yes Yes Eder Yes Nickles Absent Hall

Motion carries

Technology: No report.

Policy: No report.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Defer to updates.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: No Report

UPDATES:

ROC Building: Kern shares the building is ready to go for the transition.

Tyler CAD/Mobile Project Update: Winnecke advised the upgrade is still scheduled to be up on the test environment in November and then put on the production environment in January.

ETSB Consolidation Update: Dato shared the LCETSB will have a November meeting and will still need to be open for 120 days after the cutover to the JESTB to finish out certain duties such as billing. Dato also advised he will speak with Kern on when and how to transfer employees over to LakeComm, they may possibly keep Winnecke on with the ETSB for that 120-day period to button up any unfinished business. Dato also mentioned that many of the other ETSB's that are consolidating are doing the same thing.

Business:

Reserve Funds Transfer - Motion Hall, second Husak to approve the transfer reserve funds in the amount of \$500,000.00 to budget line 72280 - Equipment Maintenance Discussion-Hall asks what the transfer is for, Winnecke advised as the ETSB has stayed open longer into the year we have had to pay for maintenance contracts that we were not expecting to pay. This will backfill for what we have paid for and need to pay for in the next few months.

Roll Call:

Becker Absent Dato Yes Smith Yes Buschick Yes Husak Yes Wermes Yes Hall Yes Eder Yes Nickles Absent

Motion Carries.

Extreme Networks Renewal – Motion Smith, second Wermes for the Approval to purchase Extreme Networks maintenance renewal from Qubit Networks, LaPorte, IN not to exceed \$32,216.82, budget line 72280. - Discussion- None

Roll Call:

Becker	Absent	Dato	Yes	Smith	Yes
Buschick	Yes	Husak	Yes	Wermes	Yes
Hall	Yes	Eder	Yes	Nickles	Absent

Motion Carries.

Qubit Networks Professional Services- Motion Husak, second Eder for the approval to purchase 40 hours of professional services from Qubit Networks, LaPorte, IN not to exceed \$12,000.00, budget line 71150. -Discussion- Winnecke advised this will alleviate some of the workload on the LakeComm configuration team. Hall asks if this is the first or second time we will be hiring Qubit for this, Winnecke advised this is the second time.

Roll Call:

Becker	Absent	Dato	Yes	Smith	Yes
Buschick	Yes	Husak	Yes	Wermes	Yes
Hall	Yes	Eder	Yes	Nickles	Absent

Motion Carries.

Motorola Smart Services Renewal – Motion Smith, second Buschick for the approval to purchase renewal of Motorola Smart Services for portable radios for a term of 24-months from Motorola Solutions, Chicago, IL not to exceed \$184,304.06, budget line 72280. -**Discussion-** Hall shared there was no staff memo and was looking for clarity on this item, and also didn't see any purchasing contract along with this. Dato spoke with a few different people on what would help agencies transition to LakeComm. Dato said this programing for everyone going to LakeComm would put them all on the same level, Gurnee is not included in this as they have already purchased and has a contract for this service. Hall asked if ETSB owns all the radios this is for, Dato advised they own most of them as they were part of the last radio grant. Hall advised with the grant agreement it, ETSB agreed to pay for the first two years of service, then after that it would be the agency's responsibility. Hall asked Smith if his department was planning on continuing to use these services, he advised they were, but towns in other tax brackets were struggling to purchase just the radios. He believes this would be good purchase, it will benefit all agencies, and it will give them another two years to plan on budget. Eder asked if this purchase would involve all the ETSB members and non-members, Hall shared this quote did not include the Lake County Sheriff's Office and questioned why. Hall also asked how they came up with the 290 radios on the quote. Dato shared this is primarily for the agencies transitioning to LakeComm, Dato shared he can give her a quote that would include the Sheriff's Office if she would like. Maggie with Motorola said not to look at the 290 radios as individual radios, some radios have more services than others, some radios might need to add one service, and others might need to add two. Eder advised this is an upgrade compared to the normal Starcom services already provided. Dato shares it would cost an additional \$118,704.30 for the first year and \$142,442.56 for the second to add in the Sheriff's office. Eder asked if Gurnee is aware of this purchase and realize they are being left out of it seeing they planned and budgeted for this. Eder also questioned if this is on this month's agenda because they want it done before LakeComm opens, and if it could wait for the JESTB. Dato said this is preferable to happen before LakeComm opens.

Roll Call:

Becker	Absent	Dato	Yes	Smith	Yes
Buschick	Yes	Husak	Yes	Wermes	Yes
Hall	No	Eder	No	Nickles	Absent

Motion Carries.

Digicom USDD Purchase- Motion Smith, second Eder for the approval to purchase 5 USDD GARI devices and installation services from Digicom Installation Services, Huntley, IL not to exceed \$20,559.36, budget line 84030.- Discussion- Smtih shared the Gari boxes do the automatic dispatching over the radios from the CAD. There is a primary channel, back up channel, and a VHF channel. Overall, there are 9 channels and each box carries 2. We have 5 that are working now, this will allow the boxes to be programmed and ready for the backup center.

Roll Call:

Becker	Absent	Dato	Yes	Smith	Yes
Buschick	Yes	Husak	Yes	Wermes	Yes
Hall	Yes	Eder	Yes	Nickles	Absent

Motion Carries.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS: None

NEXT MEETING DATE: November 4, 2025, 1:30 PM, Lake County EMA, 1303 N. Milwaukee Ave. Libertyville, IL 60048.

ADJORNMENT: Motion Husak, second Hall to Wermes. There being no further business to discuss, Chair Dato adjourned the meeting at 2:05

Respectfully submitted, Kate Reinhard