

**EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD
MADISON COUNTY, IL
Location: 101 E. Edwardsville Rd, Wood River, IL**

**Minutes of E.T.S.B. Meeting
May 22, 2025**

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Joe Petrokovich	PSAP Manager, Wood River Police Department
Scott Prange	Citizen Member
Ralph Well	Retired Glen Carbon Fire Chief
Brendon McKee	Fire Chief, Edwardsville Fire Department
Marcos Pulido	Chief Deputy, Madison County Sheriff's Office
Donald McMaster	Elected Official

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Ellar Duff	Citizen Member
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STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Please see sign-in sheet.

OTHERS

Please see sign-in sheet.

Call TO ORDER

Chairman Petrokovich opened the Emergency Telephone System Board meeting at 9:00 a.m. on May 22, 2025.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken, and present were Mr. Pulido, Mr. McMaster, Mr. Prange, Mr. Well, Mr. McKee and Chairman Petrokovich.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

MINUTES

Chairman Petrokovich asked for action on the April 24, 2025, minutes.

There was a motion by Mr. Pulido to approve the minutes. Mr. Prange seconded the motion. Roll call was taken, and all voted Aye.

PURCHASE APPROVELS

None

PURCHASE REQUEST

None

PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

Director Weber gave information on the Glen Carbon PSAP Reimbursement from the consolidation.

There was a motion by Mr. Well to approve the Glen Carbon PSAP Reimbursement from the consolidation. The motion was seconded by Mr. McMaster. Roll call was taken and all voted Aye.

STAFF REPORT

1. Coordinators Report

- a. **9-1-1 Goes to Springfield (Update).** At the April ETSB meeting, I mentioned that several members of this Office along with members of various PSAPs around the County would attend the 9-1-1 Goes to Springfield event, with an attempt to garner support of raising the 9-1-1 Surcharge. We were able to meet with Senator Harriss, Rep. Stuart, and Rep. Elik, who were all very welcoming and engaged in our discussion. We were able to give these elected officials some background into the 9-1-1 funding, where we currently are, and where we see the future going. While there is yet to be a sponsor for a Bill, it was great to get their insights as to what something like this would take to be passed. I explained to them, and they wholeheartedly agreed, that this is a bipartisan issue. What I would like to do is speak with more of our elected officials around the County, such as mayor, council members, County Board members, and Police and Fire Chiefs. This will affect every municipality in the County, and I want their input.
- b. **Community Outreach.** Over the past several weeks, Caira Carter and Tonya Beasley have attended a First Responder Career Day at the Granite City High School as well as the TRIAD Senior Event held at the Madison County Administration Building. Both of these events were a huge success, allowing our Office to promote the 9-1-1 Professionals working at the various PSAPs, give information about job openings at the PSAPs, and provide information to the public about why these Telecommunicators ask so many questions. It was a great event, and we plan on doing more of this type of work when schedules allow us to do so.

- c. **Radio Project Update.** I have spoken with the County Administrator, Mr. Tanzyus, and we have received confirmation that the radio inventory will be distributed very soon. There was confusion between what the accounting firm needed, and the Auditor's Office needed. That has been cleared up, and we should know something this week about getting this equipment, FINALLY, in the hands of our first responder partners.
- d. **ETSB SOPs.** We are currently in the review process of all the current SOPs issued by the ETSB. Some need to be updated to match the current legislation, as well as current practices by the PSAPs. Before being issued, the Board will receive a red-lined copy for your approval.
- e. **Recorder Project.** I recently had a meeting with Nelson Systems regarding the Recorder Project. As a reminder, with the coming of text, video, and photos, through the 9-1-1 system, this data MUST be recorded per statute. Right now, the only PSAPs that can record this are Edwardsville and Collinsville. Additionally, since all agencies will be on the Starcom System, they must be able to record the radio traffic as well. I have started an initiative, countywide, to come up with a solution that is cost effective and will be able to satisfy legislation. We are still in the process of working out a cost analysis of this project. Since most PSAPs currently use Nelson Systems, it was in our best interest to continue with them. Also, they have the GSA contract, meaning that since they are a certified government supplier, we do not have to go through the typical bidding process, making things simpler, and getting a product at a discounted price.
- f. **Text to 9-1-1 Update.** As just mentioned, Text to 9-1-1 is coming. At the last ETSB meeting, the Board approved the networking costs associated with this project. We are waiting on AT&T and Motorola to give us some dates for implementation. This has been a delayed process, which the State 9-1-1 Administrator has been made aware of. We are not the only system waiting for these two companies. Once the connections have been made, Telecommunicators will be able to practice with the upgrades prior to implementation. After that, we will put out a public education campaign advising that Madison County is "text ready" and our residents can use this upgrade to the system. Just as a reminder, ongoing costs of Text to 9-1-1 for the PSAPs will be covered by the State. However, since our training room is not an "official PSAP" those costs will be incurred by the ETSB.

2. Travel Request

- a. None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Pulido shared a new legislation that will be taken affect June 1st, regarding how employers will be required to provide mental health services to first responders.

CLOSED SESSION

(Closed Session, if necessary, for any lawful exemption pursuant to Section 2(c) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act)

- a. Ongoing Contractual Negotiations (Exception 5 ILCS 120/2 © 11)
 - a. **There was a motion by Mr. Pulido to enter closed session. The motion was seconded by Mr. Well. All voted Aye. At 9:21 am.**
 - b. **There was a motion by Mr. Pulido to exit closed session. The motion was seconded by Mr. Prange. All voted Aye. At 9:44 am.**

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Petrokovich asked for a motion to adjourn.

There was a motion to be adjourned by Mr. Well. The motion was seconded by Mr. McMaster. All voted Aye, with the meeting adjourning at 9:45 a.m.

THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED ETSB MEETING IS:

June 26, 2025 – 9:00 a.m.

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