

**State Of Tennessee**

**County of Robertson**

Robertson County Emergency Communications District

Minutes of April 21, 2015

2015-04-01 Call to Order

**The Chairman, Kathy Spears called the regular 911 Board meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. at the Communications Center on Pinnacle Dr.**

**Roll Call taken by Cathy Lowe**

**911 Board Members Present:** B. Dean – Present  
G. Martin – Present  
K. Spears – Present

B. Holt – Present  
D. Thompson – Present

**Members Absent:** J. Ayers – Absent & excused  
R. Gupton, Absent & excused  
N. Johnson, Absent & excused

**(5) Present (4) Absent (4) Excused**

**Others Present:** Neil Peterson, Dale Howard, Hope Petersen, Joe Palmer, Jimmy Hamill, Pat Brady, Gerald Wakefield, Jeremy Sisk, Jeff Perigo, Jason Putnam, Margo Fosnes, Michael Van Dyke, Kenny Hardaway, Robert Black, Cathy Lowe.

**NOTE:** At this time Chairman, Kathy Spears recognized visitors present:  
Mr. Neil Petersen, Dale Howard and Margo Fosnes.

911 - Director, Hope Petersen stated to the board that the visitors were here to explain the need that Robertson County has for Broad Band Service.

Mr. Neil Peterson w/local radio spoke about Lightening Broad Band and the need for Internet within the rural parts of Robertson County. He mentioned vendors that have attempted before were:

1. Fast Net, LLC – Has put radio’s on silos in Cross Plains. Dale Howard and Neil Peterson are working with the vendor in Dickson County. Margo Fosnes w/Robertson County Chamber of Commerce stated that there is no internet service within Adams, Cedar Hill, Palestine Rd. areas. Margo stated that she has Fast Net (good service). Margo also stated that Education and Economic Development and Real Estate are facing future issues. Mr. Peterson proposing entry level speed will be at 3 for \$49.95, no limits with Fast Net, LLC. Mr. Peterson asking the 911 Board for approval to use radio towers within the county. David Thompson asked if Lightening Broad Band, LLC was a (for profit company). David Thompson suggested Mr. Peterson and Mr. Howard talk with Jeff Perigo with Greer Communications and then bring back information to the 911 Board. Margo Fosnes stated that Fast Net & Lightening Broad Band would pay to use the towers.

**2015-04-02 Minutes - Approval of March 17, 2015**

Kathy Spears asked all board members to review the March 17, 2015 minutes. Motion made by David Thompson to approve the March 17, 2015 minutes as reviewed. Motion was seconded by Bill Holt.

Roll Call Vote: Ayres – Absent  
R.L. Douglas, Absent  
Bill Holt – Yes  
Gwen Martin – Yes  
Kathy Spears – Yes  
Vote: (5) Yes (4) Absent (4) Excused

Bruce Dean – Yes  
Russell Gupton – Absent  
Nancy Johnson, Absent  
David Thompson – Yes

**2015-04-03 Financial Statement / March 31, 2015**

Kathy Spears presented the March 31, 2015 Financial Statement for review at this time. 911 Director, Hope Petersen presented amendments to be made to the 2014-2015 Budget. (Amendment sheet attached with April 21, 2015 minutes.) Motion made by Bill Holt to approve the March 31, 2015 Financial Statement w/ amendments to be done by the Robertson Co. Finance Office before April 2015 Statement. Motion seconded by Bruce Dean.

Roll Call Vote: J. Ayres – Absent  
R. L. Douglas - Absent  
Bill Holt – Yes  
G. Martin – Yes  
K. Spears – Yes  
Vote: (5) Yes (4) Absent (4) Excused

B. Dean – Yes  
R. Gupton – Absent  
N. Johnson – Absent  
D. Thompson – Yes

**2015-04-04 Reports from Committees**

**1. PSAB – Bill Holt**

- a. Bill Holt stated that the License for the Board of Education had expired, and most of the channels were being used by Public Safety. Bill stated that it will cost \$5,000.00 to get the license reinstated. The license had been sent to Kenny Hardaway's attention. Bill Holt asked if the 911 Board could go ahead and pay the \$5,000.00. Bill Holt stated that we have to have the licenses. Jeff Perigo stated they can be sent to the 911 District. Motion was made by David Thompson to purchase but not to exceed \$5,000.00, and to get clarification on having the license in the 911 Districts name. The motion was seconded by Gwen Martin.

Roll Call Vote: Ayers – Absent  
Douglas - Absent  
Holt- Yes  
Martin – Yes  
Spears – Yes  
Vote: (5) Yes (4) Absent (4) Excused

Bruce Dean – Yes  
Gupton – Absent  
Johnson – Absent  
Thompson – Yes

- b. Bill Holt mentioned radios are here and Jeff Perigo will get all radios today.
- c. Jeff Perigo mentioned that Cheatham Co. had went on line a week or so ago. Moving along.  
Jeff Perigo texted the FCC in reference to the Board of Education Licenses. They texted back and said we could change the name on the licenses to the 911 District.
- d. Bill Holt stated to the 911 Board that we would be using the same RFP Contract that Union City used to purchase the CAD Software. Bill stated there would be \$100,000.00 savings.

David Thompson mentioned having Robert Black and Jason Putnam look at the contract. Hope will set up a meeting to discuss servers and software. Kathy Spears asked Hope to schedule a special meeting with Tyler Technologies. Hope will present Budget and Final Amendments at the May 2015 board meeting.

**2015-04-05 Old Business**

\_\_\_None at this time\_\_\_

**2015-04-06 New Business**

At this time Bill Holt commended the dispatchers on what a great job they all have done over the last few months.

**2015-04-07 Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn by Bruce Dean. Motion seconded by Bill Holt

Meeting Adjourned

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Secretary, Gwen Martin

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Chairman, Kathy Spears

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911-Coordinator, Cathy C. Lowe