

**COUNTY OF UNION,
ILLINOIS**

**AMENDATORY ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING
AN EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD**

WHEREAS, pursuant to 50 ILCS 750/15.4, the corporate authorities of any county that imposes a surcharge under 50 ILCS 750/15.3 shall establish an Emergency Telephone System Board and such corporate authorities shall provide for the manner of appointment and the number of members of such Emergency Telephone System Board and such corporate authorities shall define the powers and duties of such Emergency Telephone System Board by ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the majority of the legal voters voting on the referendum presented to at the November 2, 1992 General Election voted in favor of the imposition of a surcharge pursuant to 50 ILCS 750/15.3; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the County of Union, Illinois has previously adopted ordinances establishing an Emergency Telephone System Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the County of Union, Illinois finds it necessary and in the best interest of the people of Union County to repeal such prior ordinances establishing an Emergency Telephone System Board and adopt this Amendatory Ordinance Establishing an Emergency Telephone System Board.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF UNION, ILLINOIS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: All ordinances and resolutions, or parts thereof, in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 2: The Union County Code is hereby amended by the addition of the following Chapter:

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

1-1 **Board Established.** An emergency telephone system board for Union County, Illinois is hereby established and shall be known as the Union County Emergency Telephone System Board.

1-2 **Membership of Board.** The Union County Emergency Telephone System Board shall consist of seven members as follows:

- (a) a public member who is a resident of the local exchange service territory included in the 9-1-1 coverage area;

- (b) a member of the board of commissioners;
- (c) the Union County Sheriff or some other person representing a law enforcement agency;
- (d) the Director of the Union County Ambulance Service or some other person representing the Union County Ambulance Service;
- (e) three representatives of 9-1-1 public safety agencies, including but not limited to police departments, fire departments, emergency medical services providers, and emergency services and disaster agencies, whom shall be appointed on the basis of their ability or experience.

Such members shall be representative of both the incorporated and unincorporated portions of the County.

1-3 Manner of Appointment, Term of Office, and Removal of Board Members.

- (a) Each member of the Union County Emergency Telephone System Board shall be appointed by the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners with the advice and consent of the Board of Commissioners. Any vacancy shall be filled in like manner.
- (b) Seven members of the Union County Emergency Telephone System Board shall be appointed to terms beginning upon the first day of December 2010. Three such members shall be appointed for terms of two years and four such members shall be appointed for terms of four years. Upon the expiration of the appointments made in December 2010, each successor shall hold office for a term of four years beginning upon the first day of December of the year in which the term of office commences.
- (c) Any person appointed to fill an unexpired term shall serve until the expiration of the original appointment.
- (d) Any member of the Union County Emergency Telephone System Board may be removed from office upon a two-thirds vote of the Board Commissioners.

1-4 Powers and Duties of Board. The Union County Emergency Telephone System Board shall have the following powers and duties:

- (a) Planning a 9-1-1 system;
- (b) Coordinating and supervising the implementation, upgrading, or maintenance of the system, including the establishment of equipment specifications and coding systems;
- (c) Receiving moneys from any surcharge imposed under Section 15.3 of the Emergency Telephone System Act, and from any other source, for deposit into the Emergency Telephone System Fund;
- (d) Authorizing all disbursements from the fund;
- (e) Hiring any staff necessary for the implementation or upgrade of the system;
- (f) Participating in a Regional Pilot Project to implement next generation 9-1-1, as defined in this Act, subject to the conditions set forth in this Act;
- (g) Preparing an annual budget and submitting such annual budget to the Board of Commissioners in accordance with the County's annual budget process.

SECTION 3: This ordinance shall be in effect upon its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED at a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Union, Illinois this 6th day of December, 2010.

Chairman: Randy Lunk voting yes.

County Commissioner: Dale Russ voting yes.

County Commissioner: Sandery voting Yes.

ATTEST:

County Clerk: Bobby John J.