

**PUBLIC PROPERTY MEETING MINUTES
JULY 21, 2015 - 6:30 P.M.**

Chairman Meza called the Public Property Committee meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Public Property Committee members present were Aldermen Meza, Marzahl, Ulmer and Adams. Also present were Mayor Nolan, Aldermen Opper and Kelly, City Administrator Nelson, Chief of Police Mark Krause, Deputy Chief Tyson Bauman, Dispatch Supervisor Mike Vest and Marty Perenchio, Harvard Fire Protection District.

PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

SENATE BILL 96/MCHENRY COUNTY EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM

City Administrator Nelson gave an overview of Senate Bill 96 which is an amendment that extends 9-1-1 funding. One of the components of the bill that will directly affect McHenry County is the consolidation of public safety answering points (PSAPS). The McHenry County Emergency Telephone System Board (ETSB) must reduce the county's PSAPS from six to three and submit a plan to the State 9-1-1 Administrator by July 1, 2016, accomplishing this requirement. The six existing PSAPS in McHenry County are the City of Harvard, McHenry County, the City of Woodstock, the City of McHenry, the Village of Lake in the Hills and SEECOM.

Administrator Nelson and staff have met and believe that it is in the city's best interest for public safety to maintain our own 9-1-1 center and propose that the City submit our letter of intent to be one of the three PSAPS in McHenry County making an argument that the centers should be located geographically for disaster purposes and propose that Harvard be a PSAP on the western side of the county.

Chief Krause reviewed the timetable and noted that the McHenry County ETSB is requesting that letters of intent be submitted by Friday, September 4th, 2015, either to remain or close as a PSAP.

There is an increase in the 9-1-1 tax that is supposed to serve as grant funding to facilitate the transition of the consolidation. City Administrator Nelson and Chief Krause felt that if the City were to remain and expand as a PSAP, our net expense should be reduced.

The committee toured the basement of City Hall to discuss the proposed new location of the 911 center.

A motion was made by Alderman Meza, seconded by Alderman Ulmer to proceed with the application to the 911 board to maintain our 911 center in Harvard. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderman Marzahl, seconded by Alderman Adams to adjourn the meeting. All ayes

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Submitted by:
Chairman Raul Meza