MENARD COUNTY

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 19, 2026

Members Present: Vice-Chairman Ron Cooley, Mike Burg, Neal Starkey, Dave King, Dalton Whitley, Chris Henderson and 911 Coordinator John Balster

Meeting was held at the Menard County Courthouse Board Room and was called to order by Vice-Chairman Cooley at 18:00.

Vice-Chairman Cooley presented the Consent Agenda, motion to accept by King, second by Henderson, motion passed.

Vice-Chairman Cooley presented the meeting minutes from September 21, 2026, Starkey motioned to accept, Whitley seconded. Motion passed to accept minutes from September 21, 2026 with no changes.

Vice-Chairman Cooley presented the financial report and expenditures. King motion to accept, Henderson seconded, motion approved. There was one change to the CD rates from last month. Longview Bank, which holds a renewable CD, will keep the CD with a new rate of 4.2% for the 12 months. This was a better rate than moving it for 4.01%.

911 Update: Balster stated that the new owners of the trailer court at Lincolnberry and Mary Todd Ln wanted new addresses and that information was given to Beacon. They did not like the new numbers and wanted to keep some of the old addresses. Since the new addresses were set to NENA standards, this would not be an option. The Board feels that the new addresses need to remain.

There was discussion on the fact that cities retain the right to name the streets, but the 911 Board addresses the property. Athens is wanting to rename the streets around Curveside Bar Low Prairie, High Prairie and Zephyr.

There was some water damage to the electric supply line at Oakford. Ryan Electric presented a bid for $3470.00 to repair a bare wire going into the facility. Henderson motioned to approve bid and Starkey seconded. Motion approved.

PSAP Update: Nothing to report.

Hearing of citizens: None

New Business: None

Old Business: None.

Special Committees: Nothing to report.

No other 911 business noted and Cooley motioned for adjournment, Chandler seconded. Meeting adjourned at 18:22. Next meeting November 16, 2026

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Burg, Secretary