

**RESPONSIBILITIES OF  
EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD MEMBERS**

- I. Statute - 50 ILCS 750/1  
Emergency Telephone System Act
- II. Ordinance – Local, County or Municipal Ordinance - Creating your ETSB
- III. Powers of your Board - 50 ILCS 750/15.4(b)
  - A. Powers are limited by this statute and your local ordinance. You only have the powers allowed by statute and ordinance.
    - (1) Planning a 9-1-1 System;
    - (2) Coordinating and supervising the implementation, upgrade and maintenance of the 9-1-1 system;
    - (3) Receiving monies from surcharge or other sources;
    - (4) Authorizing all disbursements of surcharge funds;
    - (5) Hiring of any staff necessary for the implementation or upgrade of the system.
- IV. Financial Authority - 50 ILCS 750/15.4(c)
  - A. Only entity authorized to receive and expend surcharge funds;
  - B. Treasurer of municipality or County shall be the custodian of these funds;
  - C. Expenditures may only be made of surcharge funds by direction of Board by resolution;
  - D. Surcharge funds may only be spent for limited purposes, as authorized by law:

- (1) Design of Emergency Telephone System;
- (2) Coding and update of Master Street Address Guide (MSAG);
- (3) Repayment of monies advanced for implementation of the 9-1-1 system;
- (4) Charges for 9-1-1 Phone System, Computer Aided Dispatch System, Mobile Data Transmitters, and Automatic Vehicle Locators;
- (5) Non-recurring and network charges for the 9-1-1 telephone system;
- (6) Acquisition and installation costs of street signs that are essential to the implementation of the emergency telephone system and not duplicative of road and street signs;
- (7) Other products and services necessary for the implementation, upgrade and maintenance of the system and any other purpose related to the system.
  - (i) specifically includes construction, leasing and maintenance of buildings;
  - (ii) specifically includes the costs of personnel attributable to the operation of the 9-1-1 system;
  - (iii) specifically excludes costs of public safety agency personnel who are and equipment that is dispatched in response to an emergency call;

(8) In the City of Chicago, funds may be used for anti-terrorism and emergency preparedness measures.

V. OPEN MEETINGS ACT – 5 ILCS 120/1.01

VI. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – 5 ILCS 140/1