

MEMO TO : William J. Mueller, Village President and
Board of Trustees

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SUBJECT : **DUPAGE EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD AND
INTEROPERABLE RADIO NETWORK**

The DuPage Emergency Telephone System Board (ETSB) was created to oversee the emergency dispatch services for many municipalities and fire protection districts in DuPage County as required by Illinois State statute. The Village of Lombard is located within the DuPage ETSB service area. The ETSB has entered into the Interoperable Radio Network Project (the "Project") with the goal of achieving interoperable communications between police, fire, public works, and other emergency response personnel throughout DuPage County, and similar entities neighboring DuPage County. The ETSB established a Steering Committee to oversee implementation of the Project, chaired by a municipal manager and including representatives from the DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference, the DuPage Chiefs of Police, DuPage Fire Chiefs, DuPage municipal public works directors, and the DuPage County Sheriff. These same entities, through the Steering Committee and the ETSB are responsible for the positive progress that has been achieved thus far on the project.

The ultimate feasibility and success of the Project is completely dependent on cooperation from municipalities and fire protection districts that would be participants in the Interoperable Radio Network. Commitment by user groups to join the Interoperable Radio Network is essential at the start of the Project to ensure that the investments made in the foundational infrastructure of the system are worthwhile and beneficial. Staff recommends that the Village of Lombard support creation of an Intergovernmental Agreement with provisions governing administration, governance, funding, and management of the Interoperable Radio Network. The Village shall provide \$940.96 to be used towards a legal fund representing the Village of Lombard's interests on this issue.

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Village Board authorize the Village President and the Village Clerk to sign a Resolution Supporting Stakeholder Input Public Safety Focus for the DuPage Emergency Telephone System Board and Interoperable Radio Network.

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