ORDINANCE 2011-8

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CREATING A NEW DEPARTMENT FOR THE PROVISION OF EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

WHEREAS, on May 23, 2011, the Board of Commissioners approved an Interlocal Governmental Cooperation Agreement for the Provision of Emergency Communications with the City of Crawfordsville;

AND WHEREAS, under the terms of the agreement with the City of Crawfordsville, Montgomery County will create a branch of government called the Montgomery County Central Communications Center;

AND WHEREAS, in order to implement the agreement with the City of Crawfordsville, a new section, Section 33.12 Central Communications Center, should be added to the Montgomery County Code.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDAINED that a new section, Section 33.12 Central Communications Center, is hereby added to the Montgomery County Code, and it shall read as follows:

"§33.12 CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS CENTER

- (A) There is established the Montgomery County Central Communications Center.
- (B) The purpose of this department is to administer the countywide enhanced emergency telephone system, as provided for in Indiana Code 36-8-16, commonly referred to as the E-911 System.
 - (C) The Center will be administered by two boards:
 - (1) Governing Board: The Governing Board shall:
 - (a) appoint and supervise the Director of the Center, approve all budgets and contracts, appoint certain members of the Operations Board, and take other action necessary for the operation of the Center;
 - (b) be comprised of five members:
 - (i) President of the Board of County Commissioners:

- (ii) one County Commissioner who is appointed by the President of the Board of County Commissioners;
 - (iii) the Mayor of Crawfordsville;
- (iv) a member of the Crawfordsville City Council who is appointed by the City Council;
- (v) a member of the County Council who is appointed by the County Council;
- (c) meet at least three times per year:
 - (i) in January to appoint the Director;
 - (ii) in June to approve the budget; and
- (iii) in October to evaluate the Director. The Board may also meet at any other time as required.
- (2) Operations Board: The Operations Board shall:
 - (a) have three purposes:
 - (i) establish written policies, procedures and protocols for the operation of the Center;
 - (ii) establish written policies designed to ensure that in the hiring, promotion, discipline and termination of employees, the employees shall have legal protections similar to those established for police and firefighters under Indiana's merit systems and serve as the merit board;
 - (iii) make recommendations to the Director regarding the operations of the Center.
 - (b) be comprised of seven voting members:
 - (i) one township or town Fire Chief, nominated by the Township and Town fire chiefs in Montgomery County and appointed by the Governing Board;
 - (ii) one representative of an ambulance service provider who is nominated by the ambulance service provider and appointed by the Governing Board.;

- (iii) one town marshal nominated by the town marshals in Montgomery County and appointed by the Governing Board;
- (iv) the Crawfordsville Fire Chief or his or her designee;
- (v) the Crawfordsville Police Chief or his or her designee;
- (vi) the Montgomery County Sheriff or his or her designee; and
- (vii) one representative of the public and private agencies that provide emergency services in Montgomery County who is appointed by the Governing Board.
- (c) have five non-voting members:
- (i) the County Commissioner appointed by the Board of County Commissioners to the Operations Board;
 - (ii) the Center Director;
- (iii) the County Information Technology Director or designee;
- (iv) the County Emergency Management Director;
 - (v) the County Mapping Director
- (d) have as its Chair the County Commissioner serving on the Operations Board.
 - (e) elect a Vice President.
- (D) The Center shall be funded by revenues from E-911 fees, contributions by the County and City of Crawfordsville and other sources as provided for either by agreement or by Indiana law.
- (E) The Center shall have a Director who shall be appointed by the Governing Board. The Director shall be responsible to and be supervised by the Governing Board. The Director shall supervise all employees of the Center. The Director is not a merit officer and shall not be entitled to the merit protections of merit officers."

IT IS FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall become effective July 1, 2011.

Adopted this 27th day of June, 2011.

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