RESOLUTION #17-2017

INTRODUCED BY: PUBLIC SAFETY AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

INTENT: TO FUND UPGRADES TO THE 911 SYSTEM.

WHEREAS, Langlade County was just informed by Frontier that the router for the 911 system will need to be upgraded by the end of the year; and

WHEREAS, the 911 router is shared by five counties: Langlade, Marathon, Lincoln, Oneida, Vilas, and Forest counties; and

WHEREAS, although Frontier has not quoted a definitive cost for this upgrade, it is believed that these costs could be more than $110,000; and

WHEREAS, the Public Safety and Finance Committee understand how critical the 911 system is to public welfare and they want it on record that they feel Frontier should have been performing the needed upgrades to this router utilizing the 911 surcharge (on phone bills) that they already collected to cover these costs; and

WHEREAS, because time is of the essence when it comes to keeping the 911 system upgraded to the Next Generation (NG 911) standards, it is recommended that funding be available for this upgrade if needed, with funding coming from the General Fund up to $100,000, and that any additional prisoner revenue be applied to the project.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by a 2/3rd vote of the Langlade County Board of Supervisors to allow the transfer of up to $100,000 from the General Fund for the upgrade of the 911 system, with any available funding from excess prisoner revenue being applied to the project, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Langlade County partner with the other four counties that share this equipment to take collective action by contacting State Representatives regarding the use of the 911 surcharge and requesting Frontier use their portion of the 911 surcharge to pay for this upgrade.

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FISCAL NOTE: Up to $100,000 would be transferred from the General Fund as needed for this project with any excess Jail prisoner revenue also being applied.

ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF LANGLADE COUNTY THIS 21st OF FEBRUARY, 2017

Judy Nagel, County Clerk