

ORDINANCE NO 2012 - 09

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND OPERATING  
THE HUNTINGTON COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCH

WHEREAS, the City of Huntington and Huntington County each currently dispatch emergency services from separate locations with separate personnel, and;

WHEREAS, the parties have determined that it would be more efficient and provide better services if the dispatchers were combined into a single unit operation; and,

WHEREAS, Huntington County desires to set up a Huntington County Public Safety Dispatch Board (HCPSDB) to oversee operations of the combined dispatch service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the County of Huntington, State of Indiana, that there shall be and hereby is created and established a Huntington County Public Safety Dispatch Board (HCPSDB) for and in the County of Huntington, Indiana that will oversee the combined operations of the City of Huntington and Huntington County dispatch service;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ENACTED that the members of the Huntington County Public Safety Dispatch Board shall consist of the following:

- The Huntington County Sheriff or the Sheriff's designee;
- The Huntington City Police Chief
- The Huntington City Fire Chief
- A Fire Chief recommended from the Huntington County Fire Chiefs
- A Huntington County Medical Doctor or a certified Emergency Medical Director (EMD) who shall be appointed by the Huntington County Public

Safety Dispatch Board

- The Huntington County Emergency Management Director;
- A Huntington County Commissioner;
- The Mayor of the City of Huntington;
- The Director of Huntington County Information-Technology who shall be a nonvoting ex-officio member; and,
- The Director of the Public Safety Dispatch who shall be a nonvoting ex-officio member.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ENACTED that all members shall be appointed by the Board of Commissioners who shall serve until their successor is appointed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ENACTED that the Huntington County Public Safety Dispatch Board shall elect one of its members to serve as President of the Board. The President shall serve a one year term, however, may be reelected to subsequent terms.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ENACTED that the Huntington County Public Safety Dispatch Board shall meet upon the call of the Board of Commissioners, the Director of Public Safety Dispatch, or the Board President.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ENACTED that the Huntington County Public Safety Dispatch Board will be subject to the Indiana Open Door Law and the Indiana Public Records Act, pursuant to Indiana Code 5-14-1.5.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ENACTED that the Huntington County Public Safety Dispatch Board shall prepare annual budgets, job descriptions, training requirements, employment and manpower issues, duties and

protocols, equipment, and be responsible for software and contractual obligations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ENACTED that the Huntington County Public Safety Dispatch Board shall interview and present to the Board of Commissioners their recommendation for employment concerning the Director of Public Safety, which director shall be a County department head under the oversight of the Huntington County Public Safety Dispatch Board and subject to the appointment and approval of the Commissioners.

ADOPTED THIS 26TH DAY OF MARCH, 2012.


BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
OF HUNTINGTON COUNTY INDIANA



Tom Wall, President

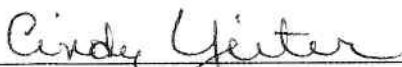


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