

**RESOLUTION 12-18**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WHITE HOUSE, TENNESSEE, RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE ROBERTSON COUNTY COMMISSION TO FULLY FUND ITS FAIR AND PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF DISPATCH COSTS FOR THE E-911 CONSOLIDATED EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION CENTER**

**WHEREAS**, the Robertson County Emergency E-911 District, Robertson County and the City of Springfield are all original parties to the "E-911 Consolidated Emergency Communication Center Agreement" for the expressed purpose of establishing an E-911 Consolidated Emergency Communication Center so as to unify their resources in a manner to better assist emergency service agencies in the saving of lives and protection of property for all the citizens of Robertson County, whether they reside inside or outside of a municipality; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of White House has subsequently become a party to the agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Robertson County Emergency E-911 District is responsible for all operations and maintenance costs related to the Center building and grounds, and for the payment of debt service for the Center; and

**WHEREAS**, Robertson County, Springfield and White House are responsible for all dispatcher costs including salaries and related benefits, in order to provide adequate staffing and operation of the Center twenty-four (24) hours per day, seven (7) days per week; and

**WHEREAS**, the intent as expressed by all Agreements was to better serve the public in Robertson County such that there would be a consolidated dispatch located in a central facility with updated dispatch and emergency equipment; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of White House has subsequently transferred all of its dispatch employees consisting of four (4) full-time and one (1) part-time to City of Springfield employment with the costs reimbursed by the City of White House; and

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of Springfield and White House already support county-wide dispatch operations through the payment of county taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, the cities of Springfield and White House are the only cities within Robertson County that are providing for the cost of their own dispatch services through city taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, during the second fiscal year of dispatch operations at the Center, Robertson County calls for service numbered 82,866 or (63.2%) of the total, while Springfield calls for service numbered 33,070 or (25.2%) of the total and White House calls for service numbered 15,054 or (11.5%) of the total; but the total cost for dispatch operations were distributed as follows: Robertson County (41.3%), Springfield (42.2%) and White House (16.5%); and

**WHEREAS**, there have been certain discussions among the parties as to the management and funding of the dispatch operations now that the consolidated system has been in operation for a period of time, such that the parties believe that there should be a more thorough review of all such matters with the participation of all interested parties;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of White House, Tennessee as follows:

**Section 1.** The City of White House respectfully requests that the Robertson County Commission take the appropriate action to pay for Robertson County's fair and proportionate share of dispatch costs for fiscal year 2013 for the E-911 Consolidated Emergency Communication Center, based upon each party's annual calls for service during fiscal year 2012, and to reimburse the City of Springfield retroactively for the County's proportionate share of dispatch costs that are owed from July 1, 2012 forward. Furthermore, the

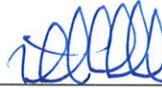
City of White House requests that White House, Springfield, and Robertson County enter into a formal and detailed agreement with regard to E-911 dispatch costs based upon each party's proportionate share of the total calls for service in the previous year.

**Section 2.** The City of White House, by this vote of its governing body, does hereby support the concept of a review and study of the management, function and funding of the previously established E-911 Center such that the public good may be better served by examining in a professional and thoughtful manner the current consolidated emergency dispatch system.

**Section 3.** The City endorses the concept of participating in a Joint Study Committee ("the Committee") to review the operation, management and funding of the current consolidated dispatch system. The City Mayor and Administrator to serve on this committee.

**Section 4.** The City will defer any unilateral action to withdraw or make other changes in the current consolidated dispatch system until at least February 1, 2013, in order to allow a full and fair review of all dispatch matters such that any decisions made by the governing bodies may be in the joint mutual interest of all citizens of the County.

**Section 5.** It is recognized that the City of White House and all parties to the Agreement, including the City of Springfield and Robertson County, desire to find a fair and equitable resolution to those matters currently under discussion regarding the method, means, and funding for emergency dispatch.



Michael Arnold, Mayor



Amanda Priest, City Recorder