October 8, 1990

RESOLUTION NO. 214-90

ADOPTING LOCAL LAW NO. 4 FOR THE YEAR 1990

(IMPOSING A SURCHARGE ON TELEPHONE ACCESS LINES TO RAISE REVENUES FOR THE SYSTEM COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE CREATION AND OPERATION OF AN ENHANCED 911 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM IN ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY)

By Mr. Purvis, Chairman, Ad Hoc 911 Committee

WHEREAS, a public hearing has been held on October 8, 1990 regarding Local Law No. 4 for the year 1990; and

WHEREAS, prior notification of such local law was provided to the members of the St. Lawrence County Legislature;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Local Law No. 4 for the year 1990 is hereby adopted.

Mr. Purvis introduced Resolution 214-90 and spoke at length on the benefits of implementation of the E911 system. Mr. Moore added that the system was to be implemented within three years, and that the County should begin immediately to prepare for the necessary space to house the required dispatchers and equipment. Legislator Carl Ashley questioned the Emergency Services budget item for E911 at \$90,000 and strenuously objected to implementation of the surcharge. Mr. Donald Smith questioned if there would be 100 percent coverage for St. Lawrence County. Mr. Purvis said all county residents with telephones would be covered, but those on four-party lines would not have the enhanced feature which displays locations. However, it was noted New York Telephone is phasing out four-party lines, and that by the time the E911 system was installed it was likely all would have the enhanced feature after all.

Motion by Mr. Purvis to adopt resolution number 214-90; seconded by Mr. Moore, and carried by a roll call vote with twenty (20) yes votes, one (1) no vote (Mr. Ashley), and one absent (Mr. Teele).

* * * * *

PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 4 FOR THE YEAR 1990

A LOCAL LAW IMPOSING A SURCHARGE ON TELEPHONE ACCESS LINES TO RAISE REVENUES FOR THE SYSTEM COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE CREATION AND OPERATION OF AN ENHANCED 911 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM IN ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY

BE IT ENACTED BY THE ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE, NEW YORK, AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. The St. Lawrence County Legislature, in order to provide for the protection of the health, safety and welfare of persons in the County, finds it in the public interest for there to be an Enhanced 911 Emergency Telephone System operating in St. Lawrence County.
- Section 2. Pursuant to the authority granted to the Legislature by County Law, Section 303, there is hereby imposed a surcharge of thirty-five cents (\$.35) per month on each local telephone exchange access line in the County, subject to the restrictions contained herein.
- Section 3. The surcharge herein shall not apply to more than seventy-five (75) local exchange access lines per customer per location.
- <u>Section 4</u>. The surcharge herein shall not apply to any "Lifeline" customers of local telephone service suppliers.
- Section 5. The surcharge herein shall not apply to the access lines of the County of St. Lawrence.
- Section 6. The estimated target date for the commencement of Enhanced 911

 Emergency Telephone Service in St. Lawrence County is ______
- Section 7. All suppliers of local telephone exchange access lines shall begin to add the thirty-five cent (\$.35) per month surcharge as herein provided to all service bills issued after December 1, 1990, subject to the exclusions contained herein.
- Section 8. This Local Law shall become effective immediately upon filing in accordance with the provisions of Sections 20, 21 and 27 of the Municipal Home Rules Law of New York State.