

**CENTRAL DISPATCH BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES
February 27, 2023**

Robert Savoie called the meeting of the Central Dispatch Board of Directors to order at 1500 hours on Monday, February 27, 2023 in the training room of Chippewa County Central Dispatch.

The following board members were in attendance: Commissioner Robert Savoie, County Administrator Kelly Church, Bay Mills Fire Chief Dan Wilcox, EMS Representative Jim Miller, CCSO Undersheriff Larry Hough, Sault Fire Chief Ed Miller, Sault Police Chief Wes Bierling, MSP Lt. Rob Allen, Bay Mills Police Chief Ron Carrick, and Citizen Representative Tom McKee .

Others present: Director Greg Postma & Operations Manager Tammy Peyton.

Roll call noted. Round table introductions of all for new Citizen Rep Tom McKee.

Agenda additions- added the Generator Project- item t).

MOVED by Ed Miller and supported by Dan Wilcox to approve the meeting agenda with addition of item t) for February 27, 2023. **Motion carried.**

MOVED by Jim Miller and supported by Wes Bierling to approve the meeting minutes of the December 19, 2022 meeting. **Motion carried.**

Revenue and expenditures were reviewed from the past two months with a note that a few big expenses were our annual building lease and regional maintenance costs. Our revenue from surcharges was back up this time. **MOVED** by Ron Carrick and supported by Ed Miller to accept the total expenditures of \$136,925.81 with revenue of \$485,371.44 **Motion carried.**

Public comment- No public comment.

(A) Introduction of New Public Board Member- Members welcomed Tom McKee as our new Citizen Representative.

(B) Board Appointments- **MOVED** by Ron Carrick and supported by Dan Wilcox to retain current Chairperson Bob Savoie as our Central Dispatch Board Chairperson. **Motion carried.** **MOVED** by Jim Miller and supported by Wes Bierling to nominate Larry Hough as Vice Chairperson. **Motion carried.**

(C) Bi-Monthly Report & Call Volume Reporting- Discussed how numbers fluctuate through the different seasons. Request for the last three years of annual reports- Tammy will prepare for the next meeting.

(D) Admin Phone Project- Ongoing. Meeting is scheduled for tomorrow with Intrado to

hopefully bring this closer to completion.

(E) New Recorder Installation- Working with Intrado on this also- hopefully nearing completion.

(F) UP 911 Authority New CAD Project- All initial demonstrations have been completed and now narrowing down the list of vendors. Discussed the approval of consultants by the regional board. Discussion on CAD capabilities and advised agencies to send us their wish lists for our CAD and we will relay those to our team.

(G) Mackinac County ARPA Funds- Approval of funds to CCCD from Mackinac County ARPA monies. \$75,000 total - with \$50,000 towards the CAD and \$25,000 to miscellaneous dispatch.

(H) I500 Race Update- Went very well. Used Special Event Channels 1 & 2 this year and kept race radio traffic separate. Communications provided at the track by Greg Postma. Chief Bierling advised that IC ran very smoothly this way. Chief Miller agreed. MSP Mobile Command advised that they would also be willing to help at this event in the future, as well.

(I) ARES/AUXCOM- Update- Reminded agencies that they are available for back up EOC, Search and Rescue and MICIMS incidents. Their next meeting is scheduled for 3/14/2023.

(J) 800 MHZ Radio Training- This was a Train the Trainer type training and was four days of really good information. Trainers will be able to provide to training to others- would be an approximately six hour class.

- Discussion on funding two radio 'tuning' sessions done by Elcom at approximately \$1000.00 each session. Motion by Ed Miller supported by Jim Miller for two sessions of radio tuning in Chippewa County with approximate cost of \$2000.00. Motion carried.

(K) Page Gate/ Active Text Alerts- Reminder to all that these notifications are not primary. Still working on getting an enterprise license to deal with the carrier restrictions.

(L) Operations Manager Update- Discussed current staffing at Dispatch and putting our ad out on Indeed again to try to get another trainee going. Discussion.

(M) Internship Program at CCCD- We've had three college interns in the last few months. They are very helpful to us in getting a lot of old files scanned and going through emergency plans.

(N) LEPC Meeting Changes- Will need to have a LEPT meeting in addition to the current LEPC meetings. An email in regards to the changes will be sent out to members and participants.

(O) Update on Exercises- Volunteers needed for the Airport Exercise- need about 20 willing to moulage up for it. Discussion.

(P) 800 Radio Initiative- Discussed at our last meeting- in starting stages. Ed Miller and Austin Conway heading this grant up for three fire departments: Sault Fire, Dafter Fire and Sugar Island Fire. Discussion.

(Q) Dispatch Radio Tower to Raco Tower Issues – MPSCS called regarding a back up system for Main- needing a second line for redundancy. Discussion by members.

(R) Creation of EUP-ISAC- This Cyber Security Group has met twice so far and there has been great discussion and information sharing. They meet monthly. Recommended that County IT should attend if possible.

(S) Next Meeting- Will be April 24, 2023 at 1600 at the Sault City Police Department.

(T) Generator Project- Central has budgeted to replace our old generator for our center. We are looking into what is needed exactly- load testing, specs, etc for an RFQ.


Committee Member Comments:

- Dan Wilcox brought up County Wide EMS and requested that each township official should be notified of the recent and upcoming meetings. Jim Miller and Robert Savoie spoke on the history of EMS and the former sub committee that was formed approximately 10 years ago. Discussion on an Authority for EMS, since the county is not able to fund it, involving stakeholders from each township, and the three ALS agencies being included as well. More discussion by all.

MOVED by Dan Wilcox and supported by Ed Miller to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 1619 hours, by Chairman Robert Savoie.



Tammy Peyton



Robert Savoie, Board Chairman