



Minutes of a regular meeting of the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners, held at the Chippewa County Building, 325 Court St., Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan on the 12th day of March 2026 at 4:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Jim Martin, Scott Shackleton, Damon Lieruance, Jim Traynor

ABSENT: Justin Knepper

The following preamble and resolution was offered by Commissioner Shackleton and seconded by Commissioner Lieruance.

CHIPPEWA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION #26-06

**RESOLUTION SUBMITTING TO A VOTE OF THE ELECTORATE
AUTHORIZATION OF THE TELEPHONE SURCHARGE
FOR EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SERVICES (911 SERVICES)**

WHEREAS, Chippewa County has established a county-wide system of emergency telephone and dispatch services for the benefit of the citizens of the County; and

WHEREAS, 911 emergency telephone and dispatch services are of substantial benefit to the citizens of the County of Chippewa; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Emergency Telephone Service Enabling Act, Section 401b(1), being MCL 484.1401b(1), the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners may with voter approval authorize a telephone surcharge of up to \$2.75 for each service user, except for users of a prepaid wireless telecommunications service, for recurring emergency telephone operational costs and charges; and

WHEREAS, under the Emergency Telephone Service Enabling Act the County is currently charging \$2.25 for each service user; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners believes that, after receiving a recommendation from the County 911 Board of Directors, there is need to increase the surcharge from the current level of \$2.25 to \$2.75 for each service user to provide an adequate and equitable financing mechanism for the needs of Chippewa County 911 Communications Center.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners, pursuant to the Emergency Telephone Service Enabling Act and acting in

accordance with the already approved ballot measure by the voters of Chippewa County, will increase the current surcharge of \$2.25 to \$2.75 for each eligible service user, knowing that the surcharge amount of \$2.75 is limit for an increase, without voter approval, under the current Emergency Telephone Service Enabling Act. .

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this surcharge will remain in effect until further notice or date that this Resolution #26-06 is replaced by action of the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners.

Ayes: Jim Martin, Scott Shackleton, Damon Lieruance, Jim Traynor

Nays: None

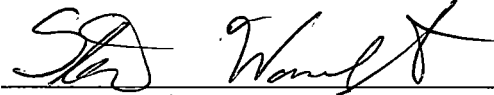
Absent: Justin Knepper

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
COUNTY OF CHIPPEWA)

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners for the County of Chippewa, Michigan, at a regular meeting held on the 12th day of March, 2026, and I further certify that the meeting was held and the minutes therefore were filed in compliance with Act No. 267 of the Public Acts of 1976.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my official signature this 12th day of March 2026.



Steven Woodgate, Clerk
County of Chippewa