

**OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES-CENTRAL DISPATCH BOARD OF DIRECTORS
JOINT MEETING
MINUTES
September 29, 2015**

Director McKee called the meeting of the Office of Emergency Services and Central Dispatch Board of Directors to order at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday September 29, 2015 in the meeting room of the Sault Ste. Marie Police Department.

The following were present: Chief Jason Thorpe, Commissioner Rudy Johnson, George Kinsella, Officer Paul Baragwanath, Undersheriff Mike Bitnar, Chief John Riley, Chief Dan Wilcox, Ray Baker, Renee Gray, and Lt. Dave Hopper, Commissioner Kathy Twardy, Commissioner Connor Eagan.

Others present: Director Tim McKee and Operations Manager Michelle Robbins

MOVED by Renee Gray and supported by Dave Hopper to approve the board meeting minutes of July 28, 2015. Motion carried.

MOVED by Renee Gray and supported by Dan Wilcox to accept expenditures of \$10,443.96 for Central Dispatch and \$18,131.08 for Emergency Services with revenue of \$179,677.67. Motion carried. Ray Baker brought up mileage and repairs on Directors vehicle, discussion ensued.

No public comments.

LEPC- Next meeting will be held October 16, 2015.

Board members reviewed the bi-monthly statistical information which depicts the monthly activity reports.

Chippewa County received its quarterly distribution of \$45,510.6 this is the 19 cent fund that is added to each phone bill for the State 911 fund. It is distributed per capita as well as an equal payment of \$27,000 per County.

Chippewa County went live with Textty on September 21. This gives us close to phase I location information, tower location and general vicinity. Textty location is not as accurate as cellular, carriers are not able to switch towers to text. For example, if you have a Verizon phone you cannot text from an AT&T tower. Copy of press release provided.

Repairs done to generator at dispatch this week. Testing switch over and it was bouncing between commercial power and generator. Transfer switch was replaced and tested.

MOVED by Renee Gray, supported by Kathy Twardy to update Animal Control General Orders 610 that updates non-emergency after hours information. Motion Carried.

Meeting minutes from June 11, 2015 UP 911 Authority meeting provided for review.

Director McKee T-Mobile is building their network in our area. They were provided necessary information that shows we can receive Phase II calls.

Discussion on changes to the LGNet and provided options on how to connect. Gateway to gateway would most likely not be reliable, the PFN connection would be the best and most cost effective option.

Chippewa County FY2016 Fire Training Allocation was received in the amount of \$10,792. This will run a FF1 and vehicle extrication class. Training will be held between Pickford and Kinross. Money will be coming out of OES to pay balance.

Whitefish Township is the only township that has completed the Community Wildfire Protection Plan. RAC

has submitted a proposal that was approved to fund planning for Chippewa, Hulbert, Bay Mills, Superior and Trout Lake. The grant to the Nature Conservancy to write that plan, it will identify gaps and resources needed in those areas for wild fires.

Regional Homeland Security Planning Board meeting minutes provided for review

There will be a Statewide Tornado Drill on 4-13-16.

Chippewa County MFR had initial meeting for the class and had two people show, it was re-advertised and had 10 more people sign up. Pre-Course meeting will be on October 15th.

EMPG FY2016 work agreement due on October 16, this will be submitted along with other requirements.

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 24, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.

Committee Member Comments ó There is currently an MFR course on Sugar Island and Border Patrol is conducting an EMT class for its agents. Discussion on House Bill 885.

MOVED by John Riley and supported by Renee Gray to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 P.M.

Michelle Robbins

Director McKee