

**OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES-CENTRAL DISPATCH BOARD OF DIRECTORS
JOINT MEETING
MINUTES
January 27, 2015**

Don McLean called the meeting of the Office of Emergency Services and Central Dispatch Board of Directors to order at 6:12 p.m. on Tuesday January 27, 2015 in the training room of Chippewa County Central Dispatch.

The following were present: Commissioner Conor Eagan, Chief John Riley, Officer Paul Baragwanath, Commissioner Rudy Johnson, Daniel Wilcox, Dr. Terry Heyns, Chief Jason Thorpe, Commissioner Don McLean, George Kinsella, Sheriff Robert Savoie and Lt. Dave Hopper

Others present: Director Tim McKee, Operations Manager Michelle Robbins, and Lt. Don Brown.

Introductions were made by each attending and the agency they represent, Lt. Brown was also introduced as a guest. Lt. Brown then presented Michelle Robbins with an MSP Award for Professional Excellence.

MOVED by George Kinsella and supported by Dan Wilcox to approve the board meeting minutes of November 25, 2014. Motion carried.

MOVED by Don McLean and supported by Jason Thorpe to accept expenditures of \$11,525.52 for Central Dispatch and \$28,805.12 for Emergency Services with revenue of \$167,183.82. Motion carried.

No public comments.

LEPC- the Local Emergency Planning Committee meeting was held on January 15, 2015. Minutes from that meeting were included for review.

Board members reviewed the bi-monthly statistical information which depicts the monthly activity reports. Director McKee explained the various reports.

Chippewa County received \$7,378 from the Training Fund Distribution. This money is specifically marked for dispatcher training.

MOVED by Jason Thorpe and supported by Dr. Terry Heyns to approve General Order 412 Textty Application. Currently we are only using the application for outbound texting. The policy is the basic SOP and changes may occur as we begin to utilize the application for incoming 911 texts. General Order 632 6 Response to Homeless population updated contact numbers. Motion carried.

Director McKee provided an update on the Next Gen 911 progress. All of the phone companies are cut over to the EsiNet, there are a few issues with Charter phones that are defaulting them over to Marquette County. We will be lining up the testing for text to 911.

Director McKee provided a copy of Chippewa County Resolution 2015-1. FCC requires that PSAP certify that they are capable and ready to receive. Governing body of the PSAP must certify, we need a resolution to have administrative finding on Chippewa County 911 Plan. This is the resolution that will allow us to start receiving the texts, this puts it back over to the phone companies to make the changes in their network to receive them back here. **MOVED** by Savoie, supported by Kinsella to recommend Chippewa County Commission to adopt this resolution. Motion Carried.

Board Members were presented with a 2015 meeting schedule. Mr. Sasso is going to request the Michigan Township Association to seek another representative for medical reasons. Sheriff Savoie would like these meetings held earlier in the day. **MOVED** by Savoie, supported by Thorpe to move the meeting times to 3:00 p.m. Motion Carried.

Discussion on Smart 911. Smart 911 is an online database that you can put your personal information in. The State of Michigan legislators passed a bill that would fund Smart 911 for a year and would be approximately \$4500 each year after that. No action on this, Director McKee will monitor.

Director McKee provided information for the new members on the board, information just explains the reality of 911 vs. what you see on TV and in the media.

Board members presented with a copy of the Governors press release on the approval of financial assistance for local governments affected by spring flooding and deep freeze. The communities in our area the received assistance were mentioned, only one township would not submit the proper paperwork for funding.

FEMA approved the Chippewa County Hazard Mitigation Plan. The official correspondence has been received. Regional Planning has a lot to do with the approval, they will be invoicing for \$16,000.00

There was not a full committee at the EMS subcommittee meeting. Items were tabled until the next meeting. Discussion on LSSU providing licensed EMTs to assist rural EMS with staffing issues. April 1 Allied EMS is closing down, they cover several townships. Chippewa and Trout Lake EMS are now working together. Lengthy discussion on lack of volunteers for Fire and EMS. There is currently an advanced EMT class going on with nine (9) students.

UP Regional Homeland Security Plan Board meeting minutes provided for review. Director McKee explained to the new commissioners that this meeting is held once a month in Marquette and is compiled of Emergency Managers that get allocation from the Federal government to complete projects across the region. Project examples are UTV, snowbulance and equipment to assist responders. The UP 911 Authority was also explained, that meeting is held in Escanaba and often times County Commissioners do attend those meetings.

Discussion on snowmobile trail marker that are being replaced. The signs are coming out of the OES budget and Director McKee wanted to make sure there was no objections. No objections to purchasing these signs. The snowmobile clubs report which signs need to be replaced.

No committee member comments.

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 31, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.

MOVED by Dr. Terry Heyns and supported by Jason Thorpe to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

Michelle Robbins

Don McLean