

**CENTRAL DISPATCH BOARD OF DIRECTORS
JOINT MEETING MINUTES
March 26, 2019**

Robert Savoie called the meeting of the Central Dispatch Board of Directors to order at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 26, 2019 in the training room of Chippewa County Central Dispatch.

The following were present: Robert Savoie, Chief John Riley, Dan Wilcox, Ray Baker, Lt. Joseph Shier, Rudy Johnson.

Others present: Director Michelle Robbins, Dr. Terry Heyns and Intern Jonathan Sanchez.

Roll call noted. Introductions made by room as we had Mr. Jonathan Sanchez who is interning with Chippewa County OEM from LSSU.

MOVED by Dan Wilcox and supported by Chief John Riley to approve the meeting agenda for March 26, 2019. **Motion carried.**

MOVED by Chief John Riley and supported by Lt. Joseph Shier to approve the meeting minutes of the January 22, 2019 meeting. **Motion carried.**

MOVED by Rudy Johnson and supported by Dan Wilcox to accept expenditures of \$40,367.51 with revenue of \$362,855.71. **Motion carried.** Revenue included annual payments for service from Luce and Mackinac Counties which has been raised slightly for 2019.

No public comments.

Board members reviewed the bi-monthly statistical information which depicts the monthly activity reports. The absence of admin calls was explained as it was when we had an equipment malfunction that, admin calls were not getting logged through MIS reporting.

Chippewa County Training Grant application was approved, we are hosting a 40 Hour Basic Dispatch Training that will be held in Sault Ste. Marie May 13-17. The training is being put on by MACNLOW Associates.

Discussion on the Chippewa County Hazard Mitigation Plan. EUP Regional Planning is working on updating our County Hazard Mitigation Plan that expires in 2019. There is a grant opportunity open for projects that mitigate hazards in the county. Board members were advised of an online survey that is open to look at hazards.

Board Members were provided a breakdown of how much of the LEIN and associated costs will be passed onto agencies that receive their LEIN through Central Dispatch. The Intrusion Detection came in lower than estimated so the costs presented were a little high.

This was talked about at prior meetings with the costs being finalized after the installation of the proper software. Invoices will be sent out to agencies.

MOVED by Ray Baker, supported by Rudy Johnson to approve changes to General Order 111 Employee Dress Code and General Order 114 Employee Sick Leave. Changes include adding shorts and skirts to dress code and employees not texting in sick. Motion Carried.

Copies of a Region Wide MOU for Emergency Alerting were included in the packet. Once approved by all Counties this will give UP Counties flexibility in having a colleague send out an Emergency Alert through the RAVE Alert System. It has not been clarified yet if the signature was for each County 911 board OR the UP911 Authority. There is a regional meeting next week that this will be discussed.

Discussion on Title III Grant. Funding will be used to purchase communications for Fire Departments in USFS area. Director Robbins is working on an RFQ for VHF Radios.

Correspondence was sent out to all County Preference Wrecker companies and all companies provided required documentation to stay on Rotation Wrecker lists.

Director Robbins gave a staffing update that we hired one subject that worked for three shifts and just stopped coming in, a second person was hired and he is in the training phase. Lengthy discussion on difficulty in finding help for all aspects of public safety.


Director Robbins and Operations Manager Peyton recently worked with Law Enforcement students at the Career working with them on their Security Awareness Training. Each student completed the required training that they will need to visit any of the agencies.

Discussion on the recent blizzard and the failure of generators at two of the County Tower Sites. Failure was due to the generators becoming buried in snow. Director Robbins cleared each of the generators out and re-set failure alarms on them. The McNearny site could not have been accessed without the assistance of Chippewa Snow-Chasers snowmobile club who transported her up there in their snow cat.

Committee Member Comments:

- Lt. Shier reported that recently a Trooper was dispatched to Neebish Island for a property damage accident. They received a bill for \$300 for the ferry trip across.
- Ray Baker also noted that the Red Cross along with Superior Twp., will be installing smoke detectors in Bay Mills and Superior Twp.'s on 3/30/2019. Contact Superior Twp. to get on the list.
- Rudy Johnson noted that the County has the funding available to help with the EMS in Chippewa County. Chairman Savoie advised that each Township is responsible for providing their residents EMS Service and receives millage money for that. Discussion ensued on EMS being not only a local issue but a nationwide issue.
- LSSU is having a mass casualty exercise on April 12, 2019

MOVED by Dan Wilcox and supported by Lt. Joseph Shier to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 4:04 p.m.



Michelle Robbins



Robert Savoie