

CENTRAL DISPATCH BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES
June 24, 2024

Robert Savoie called the meeting of the Central Dispatch Board of Directors to order at 1500 hours on Monday, June 24, 2024 in the EOC room at Chippewa County Central Dispatch

The following board members were in attendance: Commissioner Robert Savoie, County Administrator Kelly Church, Sault Fire Chief Ed Miller, EMS rep Jim Miller, Sault Police Chief Wes Bierling, Fire rep Chief Dan Wilcox, Asst fire Chief Ray Baker BMPD Captain Ron Carrick, School Rep Tom McKee, Sault Tribe Police Chief Bob Marchand

Others present: Dispatch Director Greg Postma & Dispatch Operations Manager Sara Ostwald

Roll call noted

Introductions- None needed

Additions/ deletions to meeting agenda

None

Approval of the agenda

Approval of additions/agenda **MOVED** by Jim Miller and supported by Ed Miller to approve the meeting agenda for June 24, 2024. On a vote, the Motion carried.

Review and approve minutes from 4-29-2023

Approved of Minutes from 4/29/2024 **MOVED** by Bob Marchand and supported by Dan Wilcox to approve the meeting minutes. On a vote, the **Motion carried**.

Review and approve expenditures and monthly revenue

Public comment -No public comment

- a) Bi- Monthly Report & Call Volume Reporting**
 - a. EMS and LE numbers are both on the rise**
 - b. Fire numbers seem to be down due to all of the rain**
 - c. Call numbers starting to rise now that school is out and we are gaining more tourists**
- b) UP 911 Authority New CAD Project**
 - a. Still deliberating about who we are going to put on the short list spent two days in Escanaba with the group and TSSI**
 - b. Working on scoring matrix still waiting on Empiric and Coleman mapping**
- c) Operations manager Report- staffing**
 - a. Will be opening up applications for one more full-time spot to get back to fully staffed**
 - b. Lynn is out of training**
 - c. Megan is doing well in her training**
 - d. Will be down one for 4-8 weeks for a medical emergency**
- d) MPSCS statewide frequencies - Luce County making the switch**
 - a. Mackinac County is done already making their switch**
 - b. We have the format all done just need to make the change**
 - c. We plan to switch September or October**
 - d. Will have coverage down to the Gaylord area**
- e) EMD (Emergency Medical Dispatching) Search- update**
 - a. Have narrowed down to PRO QA received a quote from them and was approved by finance to move forward**
 - b. Going forward with it trying to go to MMRMA to see if they can help to cover some of the cost**
 - c. Mackinac County has MMRMA it is unknown if Luce County has it or not**
- f) 800mhz Migration- Title III spending on 800 project RFP update**
 - a. Got approved to purchase 16 talk groups**
 - b. Just finished RFP for 100 pagers**
 - c. Once in hand MPSCS is all set and they will be templated and distributed**
 - d. Put in for TC energy grant for additional got denied**
 - i. Trying to speed up project to get more pagers here faster**
- g) Generator RFQ- update**
 - a. Put out RFG it is out no official bids as of yet**
 - b. Couple responses out**
 - c. Need to look at how to get rid of it or trade it in**
 - i. Make addendum to have the companies take care of it**
- h) Homeless Persons Policy**
 - a. Only community action is now taking in people to house them we have a new number for them for afterhours response**

- b. We will now be sending officers to the location of the person who is in need of housing to see if they qualify for housing assistance
- i) OES Tower VHF replacement policy
 - a. Approved and they are on site right now inspecting it
 - b. New vhf and uhf repeaters being put in within the next few months
- j) EV lithium battery training August 17th in Rudyard 0800-1200
 - a. We have a few people who are interested so far
 - b. Need to look at how as a group we plan to handle/ store vehicles after the fires
 - c. No blankets at test tracks
 - d. Anyone who would like to come is more than welcome to attend
 - e. OCS bought an EV school bus
- k) Next meeting August 26, 2024 at 1600 at Sault Ste Marie Police Department

Committee Member Comments-

Events in the next two weeks

Car show

4th of July

Engineers' day

Powwow Bay Mills

Powwow Sault Tribe

Bridge walk

Tested Harris radios issues in the hospital- not the preference moving forward

Kenwood will be here in the next few weeks to test those and will get them out in the field again to try different locations. BMFD has had Kenwood for 20+ years seems to do good. Pickford not having good luck with them

Encryption tabled for now at the state level still coming but not right now

MOVED by Wes Bierling and seconded by Jim Miller to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 1546 hours, by Chairman Robert Savoie.

Board Chairman Robert Savoie



Operations Manager Sara Ostwald