

**C.C.E. Central Dispatch Authority
Technical Advisory Committee
Meeting Location
1694 US 131 Highway
Petoskey, MI 49770**

MINUTES

September 12, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chief Gerard Doan
Chief Shawn Bauman
Tim Drenth
Sheriff Chuck Vondra
Lt. Todd Ross
Director Randy Weston
Director Matt Breed
Sheriff Pete Wallin

REPRESENTING

Charlevoix City Police Dept.
Charlevoix County Firefighters Assoc.
Charlevoix County Fire (Alternate)
Charlevoix County Sheriff's Dept.
Cheboygan County Sheriff's Dept.
Emmet County EMS
Emmet County Police
Emmet County Sheriff's Dept.

MEMBERS ABSENT

Jay Peck
Undersheriff Todd Reeves
Sheriff Dale Clarmont
Chief Dave Carpenter
Chief Al Welsheimer
Undersheriff Mike Keiser
Chief Kyle Knight
Chief Todd Woods
F/Lt. Jason Nemecek
Gordon Temple
Chief Jeff Cobe

REPRESENTING

Charlevoix County EMS
Charlevoix County Sheriff's Dept. (Alternate)
Cheboygan County Sheriff's Dept.
Cheboygan County Fire Assoc.
Emmet County Firefighters Assoc.
Emmet County Sheriff's Dept. (Alternate)
Emmet County Police (Alternate)
Mackinaw City Police Dept.
Michigan State Police
Tuscarora Police Dept.
LTBB Police Dept.

OTHERS PRESENT

Eric Seelye
Pam Woodbury
Rob Jerman
Candace Pierce

REPRESENTING

Empiric Solutions
CCE Central Dispatch
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CALL TO ORDER

Lt. Ross called the meeting to order at 9:33 AM.

ATTENDANCE – See rollcall above

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

CORRESPONDENCE – None

AGENDA #5: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of Minutes for June 13th, 2019 & August 1st, 2019

Motion made by Mr. Vondra, with Support from Mr. Weston to approve the TAC Meeting Minutes for both, June 13th & August 1st, 2019. Motion carried by unanimous Voice Vote.

AGENDA #6: CAD/RMS/JMS/MCT Software Search – Update

Ms. Woodbury talked about the RFP sub-committee, which was established to help with the Software Search. She said they've hired a company to do the Architecture of our infrastructure. Charlevoix County submitted a grant application on behalf of CCE Central Dispatch Authority, to help fund the project, as it needed to be a Law Enforcement Agency. Ms. Woodbury said multijurisdictional applicants take precedents according to the information and we should hear back by October 1, 2019. Sheriff Vondra mentioned including their wish list in the RFP. Such as redaction capability, customized reports, road patrol reports, and said we need to hold them to their promises. Ms. Woodbury said we are nailing down the list. Sheriff Vondra said it's equally important for Fire and EMS to have their wish list included as well.

AGENDA #7: Policy – Pinging Phone

This was not supposed to be on the agenda.

AGENDA #8: 800 MHz Radio Project – Update

Ms. Woodbury talked about the lease purchase. She asked Harold to be at the meeting, he will be in charge of the project. Mr. Stegman said at this point it's more of a discovery. It's important to talk about a few bullet points. Infrastructure in dispatch is the hub of everything that needs to be done well before we start working on vehicles. Training needs to start soon too, it's about 30 hours long and that is aside from training on the radios themselves. He will do discovery on the vehicles and apparatus. Police vehicles will need to know what type of console they're using so they have the right bracket for mounting. Mr. Stegman said he will need a point of contact for every agency. Portables are easiest to deploy. When do you want to start handing out pagers? Something to think about, he doesn't need answers today.

Lt. Ross said if its 12 weeks to have our existing radios reprogrammed, then it's the same timeline. Completed templates need to be given to Harold, so he can look them over. Mr. Stegman said we don't want to reprogram 1900 radios, so we need to get it right the first time because there are a lot of features on the radio and decisions need to be made. Sheriff Vondra said we need to keep this moving. Sept 26th is the next subcommittee meeting. Mr. Stegman gave examples of how the radios have so many details to program and decisions have to be made. He suggested playing with the radios before the next meeting, so questions can be answered during that meeting.

Lt. Ross made motion and Sheriff Vondra supported that motion, to move the TAC meeting to September 26, 2019 after the subcommittee meeting. Motion carried by unanimous Voice Vote.

AGENDA #9: TAC Monthly Report

Mr. Jerman handed out the Monthly Report and Ms. Woodbury briefly reviewed it. Ms. Woodbury wanted to touch base on the MCT's and asked Eric Seelye to join the conversation. Mr. Seelye said they are finding the Sierra Wireless modems are what Verizon use. If we aren't using the same modems, he is concerned that Verizon will say it's a modem issue, and then won't support the device. He would rather avoid that issue and request that agencies purchase the Sierra Wireless modems. He is still working through the issues that the tribe is dealing with on the modems they purchased. From a MCT hardware perspective, there are 3 products, Gtech, Panasonic, and Dell. Panasonic wasn't easy to deal with during an issue with Petoskey PD. Lt. Ross also commented about another issue with Panasonic and the repair and delay with using them. Another aspect is internal modems, but the AVL question comes up again. Sierra Wireless MP 70 is designed for this environment.

Mr. Seelye said if you have a trunk mounted modem, Dispatch can see your GPS location. There is no solutions out there, that allows the tablet and integrated modem, to work the same way as the trunk mounted modem. Mr. Seelye said agencies need to complete the questionnaire so that Empiric Solutions can better support and help each of the agencies. If an agency does not have a local IT company, he said his company can help, but wanted everyone to keep in

mind that CCE's agreement does not extend to all the agencies. He said they are on a week by week with Emmet County right now, so it doesn't look the same for everyone, and if your agency needed help, to speak to him.

ROUNDTABLE

Ross – Nothing

Bauman – Shawn said it's good to be back. He's been put on hold for 5 months from his neurologist. His assistant chief is handling fire runs right now.

Breed – Nothing

Doan - Nothing

Drenth – Nothing

Vondra – Chuck asked where the tribe was with all the changes. Ms. Woodbury said she's invited them to all the meetings and tried to engage them, but they've historically done their own thing. He said it should be talked about at some point.

Wallin – Nothing

Weston – Nothing

Woodbury – Nothing

Jerman – Nothing

ADJOURMENT

Meeting adjourned by Lt. Ross, with support from Chief Vondra at 10:46 AM.

Respectfully submitted Candace Pierce