

Eaton County Central Dispatch

Fire/EMS Subcommittee Meeting

Thursday, August 13, 2020 at 8:42 p.m.

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Tom Owen, OFD
Rodney VanDeCastele, GLFD
William Fabijancic, WTES
Phillip Miller, WTES
Francis D'Huyvetter, HTFD
Tim James, BTFD & SFD
Jason Freer, ERFD
Roger McNutt, ERFD
Mark Jordan, BFD
Tyger Fullerton, CFD
Rob Herig, ETFD
Greg Ginebaugh, DFD
John Collins, OFD
Mike Roman, DFD
Wes Waldo, RFD
Jeremy Milam, ERFD

Michael Armitage, ECCD
Kelley Cunningham, ECCD
Ryan Wilkinson, ECEM

Call to Order and Roll Call – Chairman McNutt called the meeting to order at 2042 hours.

Introduction of New Members and Guests – None

Reading and Approval of Minutes of the August 2020 Meeting - Motion to approve the minutes was made by Rodney and seconded by Wes. Motion carried.

Old Business

Report from Emergency Communications Subcommittee (Fabijancic) – William Fabijancic reviewed the minutes of the September 2002 meeting.

Central Dispatch Operational Report (Michael)

- There are two currently in training and one open position. For our most recent posting, not many applied and only one has passed the CritiCall test so far.

Central Dispatch Project Updates (Michael)

- The BDA project at Grand Ledge High School and Neff School is completed. There will be testing in the near future. Beagle and Holbrook Schools are on hold due to construction but some work has been done. St. Michael School is scheduled for January 2021.
- There is a webinar with Motorola on Thursday, November 19th at 11:00 a.m. for their accountability program. It was not included with the radio project, but if there is interest, we may include it in future years. It works with the radio system to monitor units on the scene and gives you (command) control of the radios from the scene. Michael said he would send out invitations for the webinar.
- The Eaton County Board of Commissioners will have leadership change due to the recent election. It will switch back to Republican control in 2021.
- The County is currently gathering information for employees to work from home due to the recent MIOSHA orders involving COVID-19. Currently there are no plans for the County offices to close.
- ASAP to PSAP (alarms) continues to be worked on. There are currently many glitches mainly because we are the first one in Michigan to do it.
- If you experience any issues with PageGate, please let Michael know. Technology Services has not detected any delays recently with PageGate so let him know if you have any issues.
- Civil Defense test procedure will be revamped and streamline the notifications. If you have feedback on that let Michael know. He is thinking maybe a text notification instead of a radio roll call.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

ROUND TABLE

CFD – Tyger suggested using an Ops channel for helicopters landing to avoid confusion. Francis suggested an Aero Z channel. When that channel is patch, everyone in the State hears it. Francis suggested everyone be trained to use the Aero Z-1 channel every time for helicopters.

ERFD – Roger suggested the Eaton County Fire Chief Association purchase Thanksgiving dinner for Central Dispatch. There was discussion. William made the motion to approve up to \$200 to provide Thanksgiving dinner to the dispatchers. Gregg seconded. Motion carried. Gregg said he would get with Michael on what to get and when and how get it delivered.

ERFD – Jason Freer discussed an incident ERFD responded to as mutual aid on College Road in Mason where they were patched to Ingham. Francis said he hadn't heard about the incident but will look into it. There was discussion.

Motion to adjourn was made at 2105 hrs. by Rodney VanDeCastele and Tyger Fullerton. Motion carried.

The next meeting is Thursday, November 12, 2020 after the ECFCA meeting, which begins at 1900 hrs.

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