

MENOMINEE COUNTY 9-1-1 GOVERNING BOARD
MINUTES

Date: March 17, 2015

Location: Stephenson City Hall

Present: Jim Gardner, Mark Petersen, Bill Cech, Carl Johnson, Gerald Christiaens,
Brett Botbyl, Josh Jones, Ken Marks, and Brian White (late arrival).

Others: Brian Bousley, Rich Bastien and Debra Wormwood, 9-1-1 Director.

Approved
28 July 2015

1. Approval of Agenda: Debra Wormwood, 9-1-1 Director requested to add 2-1-1 Memo of Understanding (MOU) added under Director's Report. A motion was made by Josh Jones, second by Brett Botbyl to approve the Agenda with the addition of 2-1-1 MOU under Director's Report. Motion carried.

2. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: A motion was made to accept the previous meeting minutes as written by Jim Gardiner, second by Josh Jones. Motion carried.

3. Public Comment-agenda items only: none. A motion was made by Brett Botbyl, second by Gerald Christiaens to close public comment. Motion carried.

4. Lake Township fire response: Chairperson Mark Petersen advised he received a request from Brian White to add Lake Township fire response as an agenda item. Brian White was not present. Jim Gardiner advised that Lake Township went with Mellen Township for fire service and there was a conflict between the Stephenson Fire Chief and the Lake Township Board. Brian White's concern is regarding response time from Stephenson as opposed to Mellen. Mark Petersen advised we would table this item.

5. Director's Report:

a) 9-1-1 Surcharge: Debra Wormwood asked if the Governing Board would recommend that the 9-1-1 Surcharge be placed on the ballot for a rate increase to replace the radio consoles in 9-1-1. The current surcharge amount is \$2.20 which was approved by a vote of the people and expires June 30, 2016. The rate that can be approved by the County Board without a vote of the people after the class action law suit against MPSC was settled is \$2.12. After a

discussion, the request to put a 9-1-1 surcharge increase on the ballot was not supported.

During the same discussion, a motion was made by Gerald Christiaens to authorize Debra to get numbers to upgrade the radio console with state bid pricing from Motorola. Second by Brett Botbyl. Motion carried.

b) Next Gen 9-1-1 (NG911) – Text to 9-1-1: The UP 9-1-1 Authority (UPA) picked INdigital as the vendor the text to 9-1-1. The tentative date set for installation is April 15, 2015.

c) Record Retention: Debra advised that work on this was not completed and would have to be discussed at a later time.

d) Hiring Freeze: The hiring freeze for 9-1-1 will be lifted when the contract is settled. Believe that it should be approved at the County Board meeting on March 24th. We do have some applicants on file that have been tested, and are considering advertising once more.

e) 2-1-1 Memo of Understanding: U.P. 2-1-1 is a nonprofit referral and information agency that serves all 15 counties in the U.P. They have requested we sign a MOU with them. Governing Board members indicated they supported cooperation with U.P. 2-1-1.

6. Public Comment: Rick Bastien, Stephenson Fire Department, started to speak about the Lake Township fire response agreement when Fire Chief Brian White arrived. Stephenson is concerned with the coverage area outlined by Lake Township. Debra indicated that the fire response areas for 9-1-1 were completed before the end of 2014, and copies of the road names with ranges were sent to Lake Twp., Mellen FD, Stephenson FD and Daggett FD in January 2015.

Next Meeting Date: To be determined

Adjournment: A motion was made by Brett Botbyl and second by Gerald Christiaens to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 1958

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