

**MONTCALM COUNTY  
CENTRAL DISPATCH AUTHORITY**

657 North State Street  
Stanton, Michigan 48888

**Montcalm County Central Dispatch  
Technical Advisory Committee Minutes**

January 10, 2006  
Montcalm County Central Dispatch

The meeting was called to order by Carol Swainston at 9:02 a.m.

**Members Present:** Carol Swainston, Charles Shayler, Ron Warren for Bruce Schnepf, Janice Jourdan, Bill Barnwell, Clark Newell, Jerry McCoy, and Steve Rains.

**Members Absent:** None

**Guests:** Erica Riches, Brandy Bunker, and Amy Thomas

**Bill Barnwell motioned to approve the agenda with additions with support from Steve Rains. Motion passed.**

**Motion to approve the December minutes by Jerry McCoy with support by Charles Shayler. Motion was approved.**

Public comments: Offered, none received

MCFA Representative Report: There was discussion regarding test pages and LEIN agreements. The Fire Departments all have their 800 radios now.

Police Chief Report: Discussion occurred over the number of dispatchers on at one time and the number of times an officer calls before answered on the radio. Further discussion occurred regarding the schedule. Discussion occurred between Janice Jourdan, Brandy Bunker and Amy Thomas. Bill Barnwell called Point of Order to the meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Traffic Enforcement Projects: Nothing currently.

Heartland Trail Markers: Discussion occurred regarding the mile markers to correspond with the information provided.

Mobile Data Computers: Discussion occurred regarding being kicked off after about 15 minutes and the possible solutions.



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Dispatch Mutual Aide: Motioned by Charles Shayler with support by Janice Jourdan to table. Motion approved.

SOR Entry: Kendra should be doing them once she is back from vacation. Discussion occurred regarding warrant entry.

**Wrecker Policy: Motioned by Steve Rains with support by Clark Newell to amend the wrecker policy as follows; Change the first sentence under Eligibility Requirements for Placement on List to read "Wrecker list eligibility will be established monthly." and to amend the second paragraph in the same sections to read as follows; Any newly created companies interested in being placed on the wrecker list are required to submit their documentation. Once all documentation has been submitted the wrecker list will be updated the first of the following month." Discussion occurred, Motion approved.**

Other: Discussion occurred regarding the use of 10 codes for law enforcement dispatch.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

EMD Dispatching: Discussion occurred regarding the use of codes to dispatch EMS units and how it is creating problems for dispatch. Further discussion occurred and it was agreed that dispatch could provide the codes to the units once the units ask for their incident number.

Bill Barnwell left at 11:06 a.m.

MSP Presentation: Steve Rains presented a draft document to the members which included pending changes coming in the MSP post. Much discussion occurred regarding the document.

Brandy Bunker left at 12:52.

Other: Clark Newell thinks that the dispatchers are doing a great job and Jerry McCoy seconded it.

Public comment was offered again. Amy Thomas advised she likes the EMD cards but the use of EMD codes to dispatch is cumbersome. She further stated that dispatch would like to have the no preference established again for closest wrecker. She advised that at one time she did what MSP was asking for in the document and she got wrote up for it. She further feels that 15 ECO's are sufficient for the operation of dispatch.

Motioned by Steve Rains with support by Clark Newell to adjourn. Motion approved and meeting adjourned 1:00 p.m. Next meeting scheduled for February 14, 2006.