

JOINT MEETING – CCE 911
CHARLEVOIX-CHEBOYGAN-EMMET COUNTY BOARDS OF COMMISSIONERS
May 16, 2007

Meeting called to order at 2:10 P.M. at the Headlands in Mackinaw City by C.C.E. 9-1-1 Director Bob Bradley.

Roll call for each Board of Commissioners was taken. All counties had a quorum present. The 9-1-1 Board also had a quorum present.

Present from Cheboygan County: Commissioners Socha, Makima, Redmond, Mushlock, O’Henley, Wallace and Bolinger. Also present Administrator Mike Overton, Sheriff Dale Clarmont, and Clerk/Register Mary Ellen Tryban; Marcia Rocheleau, Gerald Boardman and Bill Morgan.

CCE Director Bob Bradley distributed the 2006 Annual Update and highlighted some of the upgrades and changes that took place over the past year. Included in these were the purchase of property adjacent to the center and construction of a tower on that property; acquisition of use of the COP-ESD Tower; a collective bargaining agreement; recording system; mobile data upgrade; microwave rerouting; public education; completion of the like between the VHF based radio system law enforcement channels and the Michigan Public Safety Communications System; IT changes; and NWS/NOAA. He also related how the training that has been received by emergency personnel aided in the search and rescue of four passengers in a recent airplane crash in northern Cheboygan County.

Mr. Bradley reported that as with all agencies, CCE has continued goals for the future. He listed the following projects that are in the works and are expected to be completed within the next year: remodel of Dispatch room, which will include new carpeting and console furniture; completion of current mobile data upgrades with an eye towards additional sites; extension of Levering Tower; replacement of wireline data circuits to law enforcement agencies with high speed over the air circuits; completion of SOP revisions; and creation of a CCE website.

Copies of proposed funding recommendations for emergency telephone service were distributed. Mr. Bradley also informed the three county boards that Operations Director Mike Thompson has accepted a position with Otsego County and will be leaving soon. He said the position opening will be advertised and most likely the three county administrators will act as the interview committee.

Emergency Management Director Jack Messer commented on the huge success of last September’s tri-county training exercise. He said CCE has been recognized by the Michigan Emergency Management Association with a preparedness award. Mr. Messer said that Cheboygan County was the first of the three counties to have their mitigation plan approved, but now Charlevoix and Emmet counties also have approved plans. He recognized the volunteer non-paid deputy coordinators from each county; Cheboygan County’s is Bill Beethem. Mr. Messer also thanked Cheryl Beyer for doing a great job.

Cheboygan County Sheriff Clarmont commended Jack Messer and Cheryl Beyer for the job they have done for the three counties. Emmet County Sheriff Pete Wallin said the training also paid off when the murder suspect was captured recently in Emmet County.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m. on a motion by Commissioner Wallace, seconded by Commissioner Makima.

Mary Ellen Tryban
Clerk/Register

Linda Socha
Chairperson