



STE. GENEVIEVE COUNTY AMBULANCE DISTRICT

Regular Open - Board Meeting Minutes

Place: Ste. Genevieve County Ambulance District House 1
3 Basler Dr, Ste. Genevieve, MO 63670

January 9, 2024

CALL TO ORDER:

Ernie Weiler called the regular meeting to order at 5:10 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairperson, Ernie Weiler, Sub-District 1
Vice Chairperson, Don Kuehn, Sub-District 6
Treasurer, Dennis Jokerst, Sub-District 2
Secretary, Nick Werner, Sub-District 3
Member, Bill Everett, Sub-District 4
Member, Carl "CJ" Okenfuss, Sub-District 5

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

EMPLOYEES PRESENT:

Kendall Shrum, EMT-P, Administrator
Mary Grieshaber, Office Manager
Aaron Ernst, EMT-P
Carissa Petero, EMT-B

RECOGNIZE VISITORS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT: Blake Clifton, American Response
Blake explained the problems in the ambulance manufacturing industry over the past few years that have led to substantial price increases in the trucks. He has supplied quotes for two new trucks which the first is to be ordered in 2024 but not delivered until the third or fourth quarter of 2025. Then another truck to be ordered in 2025 but not delivered until 2027. The bids were based on the configuration of our current larger trucks. There are smaller trucks available that are comparable to the mini mods we had several years ago. These trucks are less expensive but also cannot be custom configured. He will work up quotes on these types of trucks.

EMPLOYEES TO ADDRESS THE BOARD: None

BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

A motion was made and the and December Regular Board Meeting minutes were approved:

APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

Made the motion:	Dennis Jokerst
Seconded the motion:	CJ Okenfuss
In favor:	All
Opposed:	None

TREASURER’S REPORT

The billing is getting caught up to date and is being maintained. Michelle with Image Trend is doing a good job and will continue to do so since she is local to Missouri. Sales tax is down a bit. We are waiting for the check to clear to A&W Communications to be able to claim the \$20,000 grant for the radios in the trucks. We have also applied for another \$20,000 grant for the handhelds.

A motion was made to approve the bills and checks for payment as presented:

APPROVAL OF BILL PAYMENTS AS PRESENTED:

Made the motion: Bill Everett
Seconded the motion: CJ Okenfuss
In favor: All
Opposed: None

A motion was made to approve the Treasurer’s Report as presented:

APPROVAL OF TREASURER’S REPORT:

Made the motion: Don Kuehn
Seconded the motion: CJ Okenfuss
In favor: All
Opposed: None

MVBA, our billing company, has returned accounts past the 4-year statute of limitations as uncollectible.

A motion was made to approve the write-offs of \$283,163.23 as presented:

APPROVAL OF \$283,163.23 IN WRITE-OFFS:

Made the motion: Dennis Jokerst
Seconded the motion: Nick Werner
In favor: All
Opposed: None

DIRECTOR ‘S REPORT:

Total Calls 242
Emergency 168
House 1 96
House 2 41
House 3 31
Transfers 71
House 1 19
House 2 26
House 3 26
PR/Standbys 3
House 1 0
House 2 2
House 3 1
December 2022 Total Calls 251
Emergency 187

Transfers	62
PR/Standbys	2
December 2021 Total Calls	248
Emergency	183
Transfers	59
PR/Standbys	6

Yearly Request for Service

Year	Total	Emergency	Transfers
2011	2037	1362	675
2012	2055	1512	543
2013	1998	1417	521
2014	2332	1563	600
2015	2245	1610	556
2016	2111	1486	557
2017	2302	1682	559
2018	2317	1646	598
2019	2443	1751	617
2020	2452	1795	593
2021	2754	1977	684
2022	2772	2073	627
2023	2642	1972	616

Equipment

We have one truck down currently due to radio problems.

Medical Director

Dr Rapoff with SSM has been serving as our medical director and is no longer contracted under SSM. He is however still offering the medical director services to multiple agencies in the area. Our cost for this will be \$10,000 annually which is to be paid in a lump sum.

Training

PALS and ACLS classes have been completed. David Ochs with Air Evac came in and the classes were completed the last week of 2023 and first week of 2024.

911

There was an emergent call out of the ER last week that Dispatch did not dispatch as emergent. Kendall will get with Dispatch on the reason.

A motion was made to approve the Director's Report

APPROVAL OF DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Made the motion:	CJ Okenfuss
Seconded the motion:	Nick Werner
In favor:	All

Opposed: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

House 3

No plans have been drawn. Options were discussed if we can bid the building out as a design build with a not to exceed price. We could then hire a contractor who would work out the subcontractor bids. Kendall will talk to the attorney and the bank to confirm the procedures needed since we are a government entity.

Board Policy

Some revisions to the board policy were discussed including, levying taxes, EMS chief to be listed as administrator and the surety bonds which are included in our insurance policy. Revisions will be made and we can finalize at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: None

The regular meeting adjourned.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting ended:	7:10 p.m.
Made the motion:	Nick Werner
Seconded the motion:	CJ Okenfuss
In favor:	All
Opposed:	None

NEXT MEETING:

Regular Meeting

The next regular meeting on Monday, February 19, 2024 at 5:15 p.m. at House 1.

Minutes submitted by Mary Grieshaber 1/10/2024