

On December 9, 2015 the Rogers City Area Ambulance Service Authority Board held a meeting in the Presque Isle County Commissioner's Meeting Room. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kirk Schaedig, at 6:05 p.m.. Secretary, Martha Roznowski called the roll.

Bearinger Township	Archie Patterson	Belknap Township	Absent
Bismarck	Absent	Krakow Township	Mike Grohowski
Metz Township	Louis Urban	Moltke Township	Kirk Schaedig
Ocqueoc	Jerry Counterman	Posen Township	James Zakshesky
Pulawski Township	Martha Roznowski	Rogers City	Scott McLennan
Rogers Township	Randy Smolinski	CLSS	Jim Fleury
Audience	Kristina Counterman	Audience	Tristin Price
Audience	Mckayla Counterman		

Members received a copy of the minutes. A motion to accept the minutes as written was made by Mike Grohowski and seconded by Jim Zakshesky. All in favor and the motion carried. The budget hearing minutes will be brought to the next meeting.

Archie Patterson gave the treasurer's report. A motion was made by Archie Patterson and seconded by Randy Smolinski to accept the treasurer's report. All in favor, motion carried.

There was no public comment.

Old business: No report on the purchase of appliances due to the absence of Jim Fleury.

New Business:

Archie Patterson stated he attended the CLSS meeting as our representative. Discussion was held on free subscriptions Cheboygan gives the fire and police departments. They also give Christmas gifts cards. They were wondering if we want to do this. It was mentioned that it is not legal to give away tax payers money for such things. Also, by giving subscriptions away we would be cutting down our subscription income fund. Also, there was discussion about the charges for taking inmates to the hospital. There will be a meeting on January 13, 2016, that Archie plans to attend, to discuss the policy for transporting prisoners. No one knew what the PI Co Sheriff Dept currently does.

It was reported the truck maintenance records will not be released by Allied. It was suggested Mike Vogler may be able to help us get them. Jim Fleury has started a spreadsheet from here on to track the maintenance records. Oil changes are done locally but not much other work is done here. Some is currently done in Cheboygan.

Jim Fleury arrived and presented the CLSS report. October was a good month for calls. November was a little slower. Year to date will be added for the fiscal year which will make it better for budgeting.

Jim Fleury stated he checked on appliances from Young's appliance and they had nothing of interest. The refrigerator has a height concern. He did check with Grulke's. It was mentioned that Grulke's carries the Crosley brand, not always that expensive and his prices are competitive. Randy Smolinski made a motion to authorize Jim to spend up to \$1200.00 for a refrigerator and a stove. Seconded by Scott McLennan. All in favor and the motion carried.

Discussion was held on the possible purchase of a chassis. The price to get a rig re-chassis is about \$10,000.00 less than buying a new truck. Dallas said as a government entity we could get a replacement for around \$37,000.00. The ambulance diesel truck will go away in 2016. Bids could be put out to build. Jim will work with Dallas on what we need and Dallas can send out the bid. It was suggested before the bids are presented to the board they should be inspected to insure they meet the specifications and requirements. Also, we need to specify we do not have to go with the lowest bid. Randy Smolinski made a motion to purchase a chassis for a new

ambulance body. Seconded by Mike Grohowski. All in favor and the motion carried. Another motion was made by Randy Smolinski and seconded by Jerry Counterman to authorize up to \$38,000.00 for the purchase of a chassis. All in favor and the motion carried. Archie Patterson will supply the forms necessary to prove we are a municipality and tax exempt.

Jim Fleury arrived later and was able to update us on previous questions no one had answers to. He said the sheriff office is charged full price for ambulance service and they have insurance on "an inmate", inmates are covered not by name but by their class. Not sure how the payment is done. They have a company they call and talk to a Doctor. They evaluate the situation and may authorize transportation by an officer. He also touched on previous discussion about the subscription price for the county deputies, city police, first responder and fire dept. They pay a half price subscription. Jim Zakshesky made a motion that was seconded by Mike Grohowski to continue the half price option to purchase a subscription. All in favor and the motion carried.

The radios have been having some problems. Mark Wilk is fixing them. Cell phones are a good back up that all carry. New pagers are very expensive. Small inexpensive radios used by hunters may work for a short range because if they talk among themselves on the pagers it overloads dispatch.

Discussion was held about no longer being allowed to meet in the court room. Changing the date of the meeting would allow us to meet in the commissioners room. Several dates were mentioned but there were conflicting meetings already set up. Therefore, we will continue to meet on the second Wednesday of the month and find a new meeting room. Kirk will check and see about a place to meet.

Kirk and Martha will work on the amendments as they need to be brought to the members at least 3 days before a meeting to amend them.

Jerry Counterman made a motion to pay bills. Seconded by Jim Zakshesky. All in favor and the motion carried.

A motion was made by Randy Smolinski and seconded by Jim Zakshesky to purchase a computer and software for the treasurer. All in favor and the motion carried.

Archie Patterson asked for mileage to attend the CLSS meeting in Cheboygan every other month. Scott McLennan made a motion to pay mileage to Archie for attending these meetings. Seconded by Mike Grohowski. All in favor and the motion carried.

A motion was made by Allan Berg and seconded by Jerry Counterman to adjourn. All in favor, the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.. Our by-laws state we will hold an annual meeting in February and election of officers will take place at that time.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 10, 2016 at 6:00 p.m..

Submitted by Martha Roznowski, Secretary
Rogers City Area Ambulance Service Authority Bd

