

Ambulance Enterprise Committee

1/12/21 3:34PM

Minutes

Present

Chief Charles Durfee, Chairman
Amy Lane, Member
PJ Pannesco, Member
Jonathan Trybus, Member
Kelli Robbins, Secretary
Also present, Jen Weber, EMS Director

Opened meeting a 3:52 PM

Old business

Discussions

Collections

CFO Lane-Carmody reported, that collections to date are \$7,000.00 for 3 weeks since last meeting. February is a short month and not all calls are collected.

Write-offs

Ms. Lane-Carmody stated that 7 accounts, all over \$1,500 were sent to collections. These calls were from May – July.

Monthly Runs – Information provided by Mr. Panesco

February 2021

EMS calls	30
Transports:	19
Pt Refusals	11
Pt Refusals with full crew	11

Calls answered

LVFD	County Amb.	Action	Adams	Dalton
18	1 (LVFD already On Another call)	0	0	0

Time of calls

7a-4p	17
4p-12a	10
12a-7a	3

County Intercepts	11
No County Available	3

New Business

Ambulance purchase update

At a previous meeting discussion of anticipated receipts lead to the AEC determining the Town could afford a new ambulance using the funds generated by the enterprise. A committee was created to research the needs and costs of the new vehicle. This committee has been working diligently toward creating the specification for a new ambulance that would meet the needs of Lanesborough. To date the specification have been determined. There have been a few ambulances viewed by the purchasing committee members. Once the vote is in for the purchase and the contract signed to purchase, the rate is locked in on the price. It will take approximately 180 days from purchase to delivery. A price using the state purchasing contract has been determined. The new ambulance will cost \$300,000.

Discussion of how to finance the purchase resulted in the following:

Transfer \$49,000.00 out of AE Retained Earnings

Borrow the remaining \$251,000 over a 10 year period

The loan would cost approximately \$25,100 per year to be paid out of ambulance receipts. Receipts are received from user fees for ambulance services. This would not be funded using tax revenue.

This will need to be added to the Annual Town Meeting Warrant to finance the purchase.

FY22 rate change

Comstar has informed the AEC there will not be an increase in ambulance rates for the upcoming fiscal year.

Motion to adjourn Ms. Robbins. 2nd Ms. Lane-Carmody. So voted
Meeting adjourned 4:58 pm

Next meeting April 13, 2021 3:45