



# City of Ansonia

253 Main Street  
Ansonia, Connecticut 06401

RECEIVED FOR FILE

15 SEP 22 AM 11:53

*Elizabeth Lynch*  
TOWN AND CITY CLERK  
ANSONIA, CONNECTICUT

## ANSONIA RESCUE MEDICAL SERVICES COMMISSION

September 14, 2015

Regular Meeting

Present: Joan Radin, Vice Chairman  
David Blackwell, Chairman (arrived 7:10 p.m.)  
David Geloso  
Jared Heon  
Michael Hokanson

Absent: Anthony DeLucia

The Regular Meeting of the Ansonia Rescue Medical Services Commission was called to order by Vice-Chairman Radin at 7:05 p.m.

All present rose and Pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

The secretary called the roll.

There was a quorum present.

### Public Session

Vice-Chairman Radin asked if there was anyone from the public who wished to address the commission. There being no one, she closed the public session.

## **Minutes**

Chief Heon made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 3, 2015 regular meeting as written. Mr. Geloso seconded. All in favor, so carried.

## **Bills**

Chief Heon presented the bills for the month.

Chief Heon reviewed the bills with the commissioners. He explained that there was a charge for the device that ARMS is currently using for the Knox box. This is a very secure device and the key is accountable to the Dispatcher.

Mr. Hokanson made a motion to pay all bills if found to be correct. Mr. Geloso seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Copy of bills is attached.

## **Correspondence**

1. N.W. Public Safety re: introducing William Fitzmaurice, new Asst. Director of Operations for N.W.

Mr. Geloso made a motion to accept all correspondence and place them on file. Mr. Hokanson seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Chairman Blackwell came into the meeting at this time. Vice-Chairman Radin turned the meeting over to Chairman Blackwell.

## **Reports**

### **ARMS Chief - August 2015 Report**

Chief Heon said that this has been the busiest month ARMS has had. They had 298 responses and over 200 transports. He said Griffin Hospital was on diversion. Mutual Aid to Derby was 25 and Seymour was 2.

Chief Heon presented his report to the members as follows:

There were 298 responses.

Below is a listing of the Hospitals:

**Hospitals:**

<b># of Patients</b>	<b>Receiving Hospital</b>	<b># of Patients</b>	<b>Receiving Hospital</b>
158	Griffin	7	Saint Vincent's
17	Yale	0	Milford
9	Yale-Pediatrics	1	Waterbury
4	Yale-St Raphael's Campus	2	Saint Mary's
7	Bridgeport	2	VA- West Haven

Chief Heon said the total revenue for the month is: \$63,570.84.

Alderwoman Radin said ARMS is covering their budget and putting revenue back.

Chief Heon discussed the recent collections trial that he attended. He said the people did not respond to ARMS when they were contacted as to why they didn't pay and why they didn't respond. Our company had all of the computer records and the claim was sent to small claims court. The Court agreed to postpone action for three months because the people agreed to a payment plan. He said he doesn't like to have to do this however there were no responses from the husband or wife.

Chief Heon said Truck 4 had an air compressor failure which needed repair and the oxygen bottles were in need of the testing. These were additional expenses. He said Bravo 10 needed brakes. Bravo 9 had engine problems and there was a Purchase Order for \$5000 for this and there were additional electrical problems so the final cost was \$6333.

Chief Heon said the repair cost of the Polaris was \$327. Bravo 8 has 50,000 miles and just had a second set of brakes installed. It also needed a drag link, tie rod, four shocks and alignment and other work on the suspension system. He said he is concerned with the amount of wear on Bravo 8 and the impact on the maintenance line item.

Chief Heon said there was a memo sent to all Departments from the Comptroller regarding overspending. He said he has addressed all of the items listed in the memo to ARMS.

There was discussion on the budget and what expenses may be incurred.

Chief Heon explained there will be personnel changes because three of the part time crew have left for other positions. He said Personnel will advertise for replacements.

### **Report - Dave Geloso**

Mr. Geloso said that everything was covered in the Chief's report.

### **Report – Mike Hokanson**

Mr. Hokanson said he didn't have anything this month.

Mr. Hokanson made a motion to accept all the reports as given. Mr. Geloso seconded. All in favor, so carried.

### **New Business**

Chief Heon said he received an e-mail regarding the Rotary Club Award. He said each year they rotate the recipient (volunteer/paid staff). He said they only have a few volunteers and the rest are paid staff. The recipient that he is recommending has knowledge and intuition, etc. He said normally this award is put through the Chief's office but he wanted to share it with the commission. He said he will do the write up for the award. This member was a first responder on a call for cardiac arrest and because he was there first it made a big difference and the person "made" it. At the tragic accident on Ford Street he was exemplary in his actions but it took its toll. It was a tough call to be on. Chief Heon thought he would be a good candidate for this award. The dinner is October 6, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. tickets are available at \$15.00 each.

Chief Heon moved to nominate Ryan Hunt for the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Civic Service Recognition Award. Mr. Hokanson seconded. All were in favor. The motion carried.

Chief Heon said ARMS is receiving the cable bills from the City of Ansonia for payment. He has sent these bills back advising that they should be paid from the City of Ansonia utility line item budget. He said the ARMS Association has been paying the \$89.77 invoice.

A discussion continued on the payment of the cable invoices. Chief Heon said that the ARMS Association does not have funds available to continue to pay for the cable invoice.

Alderman Radin made a motion to accept all new business. Mr. Hokanson seconded. All in favor, so carried.

### **Unfinished Business**

Chief Heon said he has been getting information for the Bike Team. The cost for a fully outfitted bike is \$1577. It comes with a warrantee for life and two free tune-ups and training. Amity Bike will do the training. It is a 32 hour class. The selection process will begin by posting an interest list and the people will be selected by the Supervisor as to whom will be on the team. ARMS has \$1000+ in donations and they are in the planning stages. The service contract for two bikes is \$300 a year.

Chief Heon said Resolution #7 from the Board of Aldermen approved the transfer of \$150,000 for the repairs to the air conditioning units. There was a quote for \$40,000 plus engineering fees and Supt. Novak encountered further problems with the units and decided to replace all the units which is a major job. The furniture has to be moved by Public Works so the work can be done. He said he has sent an e-mail to Supt. Novak advising him that we will be in the heat season shortly and these units will be down. There is mold growing everywhere and the work has to be done.

Mr. Geloso asked who was doing the specifications.

Chief Heon stated he doesn't know, he hasn't received a response to his e-mail.

Chief Heon said he received information regarding the Governor's Annual Emergency Management & Disaster Drill. He said he is working with Robert Evans, Ansonia Board of Ed on this drill which ARMS will participate in to meet the requirements.

Chief Heon said he has been in contact with FEMA regarding reimbursements and he is working with them on this. He said they haven't received any money and they were always denied in the past. FEMA reminded him about the grant for communications. They were denied last year. FEMA suggested they ask for professional assistance. He asked Ms. O'Malley, Grant Writer if ARMS could hire a professional to help him with this grant. The repeaters are over 10 years old and all the Fire Departments communications are in need of replacement also.

Chief Heon reported on the list of items that was provided to Public Works. He said it is status quo. The emergency lights had a full 90 minute test load and every light failed. Every battery was changed on Friday and they are all working. He said SCSU has a central battery unit for all of their lights. He said ARMS staff picks up all of the garbage that accumulates on the site every day so that the building and property stays clean looks good.

Alderman Radin made a motion to accept the Unfinished Business. Mr. Hokanson seconded. All in favor, so carried.

**Any other business to come before the Commission**

None

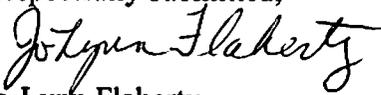
**Executive Session**

None

**Adjourn**

Alderwoman Radin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. Mr. Geloso seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Jo-Lynn Flaherty  
Secretary

# ANSONIA RESCUE MEDICAL SERVICES

## Bills

Month / Year: August 3, 2015 - September 14, 2015

Meeting Date: September 15, 2015

	Vendor	Purpose	Amount	Request/Bill
1	Webster Procurement	Tool Box, Hose & Reel, Electrical Plugs	\$922.61	
2	Xerox	Firehouse Support Renewal	\$120.00	
3	Tracys Garage	B9 Repairs to Suspension & Lighting (7/19/14)	\$668.24	
4	WJ Electric	Install 2 recessed wall boxes	\$367.80	
5	Shipmans- AE	Hydro Test and Compressor Repairs for Truck 4	\$1,156.65	
6	Stevens Ford	B10 Annual Service & Brakes	\$1,866.98	
7	Valley Electric	Replacement batteries for key fob system	\$164.53	
8	Magna Kleen	August Services and missed invoice for 5/22/15	\$75.00	
9	Bethany Supply	Mounting hardware for winch Truck 4	\$235.44	
10	DiGennaro Service	Final amount for approved B9 work and Service	\$6,333.04	
11	Webster Procurement	Blind, Clock, Rail	\$123.91	
12	Danbury Power Sports	Repairs to Polaris 6/19/15	\$327.47	
13	WB Mason	Office Equipment	\$1,184.40	
14	Stevens Ford	B8 Annual Service and Multiple Repairs	\$2,992.44	
15	Northeastern-AE	Knox Box installs	\$1,496.25	
16	Magna Kleen	September	\$50.00	
17	Calvert	Lock additions and changes	\$232.80	
18	Boundtree Medical	Medical Supplies	\$980.89	
19	CDW-G	Computer for Part Time Supervisors	\$1,274.58	
20				
21				
22				
23				
24				
25				
26				
27				