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## ANSONIA RESCUE MEDICAL SERVICES COMMISSION

November 2, 2015

Regular Meeting

Present: David Blackwell, Chairman  
David Geloso  
Jared Heon  
Joan Radin

Absent: Anthony DeLucia  
Michael Hokanson

The Regular Meeting of the Ansonia Rescue Medical Services Commission was called to order by Chairman Blackwell at 7:06 p.m.

All present rose and Pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

The secretary called the roll.

There was a quorum present.

### Public Session

Chairman Blackwell asked if there was anyone from the public who wished to address the commission. There being no one, he closed the public session.

### Minutes

**Mr. Geloso made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 5, 2015 regular meeting as written. Alderwoman Radin seconded. All in favor, so carried.**

## **Bills**

Chief Heon stated he doesn't have the bills all completed as yet because the month just ended and the meeting is the 2nd of November. He gave a brief oversight of the expenses. A purchase order from last year was left open in the amount of \$2800 and he was able to use it for the epipens which would have cost ARMS \$3600 this year. ARMS paid the difference (\$800) from this year's budget.

Chief Heon said ARMS is still paying My Clean. Bravo 9 needs a new alternator and Mr. Geloso got a kit to change the suspension. He said he ordered winter uniforms from New England Cap for the new people and some extras to keep in stock in case they add on new employees. He said he ordered blankets for \$350 plus \$3.00 each to sew the ARMS patch on them. He said he checked around and had New England Cap embroider "ARMS EMS" on the blankets at \$5.00 each instead of sewing a patch on them. The embroidered patch cannot be removed from the blanket so ARMS is sure they will get their blankets back. He said Mr. Nimons questioned why they are embroidering the blankets. Mr. Heon said he explained that the blankets get lost or taken in error when they transport patients to hospitals and he wants to be sure ARMS blankets are returned. The embroidering cannot be removed therefore they will retain their blankets. A new purchase is for Narcam carry cases.

There was discussion on employee job shirts. Chief Heon said they have 40 PT and 2 FT employees and 60 active volunteers. The budget is \$11,000 to buy uniforms and they do the best they can to provide what is needed. He said ARMS doesn't get enough funding for their uniforms. The discussion continued on the uniform budgets for other departments. He said it is important to have everyone in uniform.

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

## **Correspondence**

There was no correspondence received this month.

## **Reports**

### **ARMS Chief - October 2015 Report**

Chief Heon stated that his report is preliminary and it has not been verified because it is the beginning of the month and he hasn't received the final numbers yet.

There was discussion regarding the use of our Power Load to move a patient in Trumbull. Ansonia received a call from Trumbull asking if they could use our equipment to move this patient because it was sturdy. ARMS brought the Power Load down to Trumbull so they could transport this patient.

Chief Heon said the ARMS crew was on their way home from a transport when they came across an accident in Orange and they rendered aid.

There were 274 responses. (Preliminary number)

Below is a preliminary listing of the Hospitals:

**Hospitals:**

# of Patients	Receiving Hospital	# of Patients	Receiving Hospital
139	Griffin	3	Saint Vincent's
16	Yale	0	Milford
10	Yale-Pediatrics	1	Waterbury
4	Yale-St Raphael's Campus	1	Saint Mary's
4	Bridgeport	3	VA- West Haven

Chief Heon said he doesn't have the mutual aid numbers.

Chief Heon said the total revenue for the month is not available yet.

**Report - Dave Geloso**

Mr. Geloso said there is a problem with the charger in Car 10. The fuse burned and he called AEV to discuss it with them. They will send all new parts to repair it.

Chief Heon said they thought the air compressor was out in Car 10. After checking, it needed some work but it was not bad. The cost for a new compressor is \$1700. Mr. Geloso said the whole unit has to be changed if it is bad. Mr. Geloso said the compressor was serviced and he thinks it is OK. They do not have to purchase a new compressor at this time.

There was discussion on the life span of the compressor. A compressor has a certain amount of hours of use and when that is up it will fail. We don't know when it will happen but when it happens it will be a \$1700 expense for a new compressor. The cars are being used very heavy.

Chief Heon discussed liquid spring suspension for future replacement in the vehicles. He said the trucks go up and down all the time and the liquid spring suspension is a much better ride.

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

## **New Business**

There was discussion on changing the 2016 meeting schedule to the third Monday of the month. The secretary will check the dates for holidays, etc. and the commission will discuss the possible change next month.

## **Unfinished Business**

Chief Heon said there has been no movement on the PWD task list. The City hired the same Engineer to do the work on the heating and air conditioning project that has not been finished. He said the Engineer's target to begin is the Monday after Thanksgiving and they will be done by the New Year. He said they will shut down area by area as they do the work to repair the system.

Chief Heon said the newer Fly Car that was recently purchased has been painted black. It is a 2005 Ford Expedition with 50,000 miles. They have installed new headlights and tail-lights on the vehicle. He said if they get approval for a pick-up truck and they have the Expedition (Fly Car) ARMS will have their first responder vehicles. He said he has to install a GPS unit and a radio. They will keep the Dodge until they get the pick-up truck.

Alderwoman Radin made a motion to approve the Unfinished Business. Mr. Geloso seconded. All in favor, so carried.

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

None

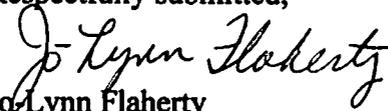
## **Executive Session**

None

## **Adjourn**

Chief Heon made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m. Mr. Geloso seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Jo Lynn Flaherty  
Secretary