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## ANSONIA RESCUE MEDICAL SERVICES COMMISSION

May 4, 2016

### Special Meeting

Present: David Blackwell – 7<sup>th</sup> Ward Alderman  
David Geloso  
Jared Heon, Chief  
Michael Hokanson  
Lorie Vaccaro – 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward Alderman

Absent: Joan Radin – excused – 5<sup>th</sup> Ward Alderman

The Special Meeting of the Ansonia Rescue Medical Services Commission was called to order by Chairman Blackwell at 5:45 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 called for a motion to close the public session.

Mr. Geloso made a motion to close the public session. Mr. Hokanson seconded. All in favor, so carried.

### Minutes

Alderman Vaccaro made a motion to approve the minutes of the April meeting as written. Mr. Hokanson seconded. All in favor, so carried.

## Bills

Chief Heon reviewed the bills with the commissioners.

1. Comcast:	Cable	\$260.02
2. Griffin Hospital:		\$150.00
3. Bravo 7:	Power Steering pump	\$152.82
4.	Accident replace bumper	\$422.00
5.	New Flags	\$789.00
6. W.Springfield Auto:	Replace hose air truck Bravo 9	\$45.11
7. Cat 5	Camera	\$431.55
8. Air Gas East	Oxygen	\$279.44
9. Valley Electric	light/bulbs Bravo 9	\$ 31.60

New Purchases: Toughbooks. Payment for these will be from the Ambulance line item which has a balance of \$2370.00. The remainder of the cost will be combined with other line items that have a balance to cover the cost of the computer.

There was discussion on badges and cards. Mr. Geloso and Chief Hale met on this. They discussed badges for Police Dept., ARMS, City Hall, Public Works. There was discussion on purchasing a printer for ARMS, Police and City Hall. Chief Heon said they were advised that only one printer will be purchased and it will be kept at the Police Dept. He said ARMS makes these cards all the time and City Hall will have to provide badges for the Fire Dept., City Hall employees, etc.

Chief Heon said he could purchase a printer for ARMS at a \$900 discount. The cost would be \$2850 complete (software, license, etc.). The State of CT will pay the reoccurring fee of \$500 every year.

Discussion on the design of the badges and that they will have enough funds at year end to purchase what is needed. There was discussion with Bob Evans, Board of Ed on badges. This could be a city wide program. Chief Heon said ARMS needs the printer and the State of CT will pay the \$500 a year fee and there will be a \$900 discount.

Chief Heon said they will try to replenish the supplies at year end. The toner for the copier was \$498 and the service contract is \$2385.

Chief Heon gave a history of the work that must be done on Bravo 9. Bravo 9 failed inspection last week and there are major electrical issues. The siren wasn't working. There was a mouse nest in it, the wires melted and there was mis-wiring of the fuses for the siren that have to be repaired. The State of CT will come back to ARMS to re-certify Bravo 9 once it is repaired.

Chief Heon said Bravo 7 and Bravo 9 are out of service at this time. Mr. Geloso said he is working on Bravo 7 and will replace the battery.

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

### **Correspondence**

1. National Day of Prayer Service will be May 5, 2016
2. Letter re: Special Olympics games and request to use ARMS UTV
3. TEAM outreach is on June 20, 2016.

Mr. Geloso made a motion to approve all correspondence. Mr. Hokanson seconded. All in favor so carried.

### **Reports**

Chief Heon said he will e-mail the April Reports to the members because he has not received the information as yet.

Chief Heon said ARMS has fallen victim to the DMV system and two ambulances were not registered. DMV is working to get that squared away.

Chief Heon said that he requested \$60,000 for wages because the line item was cut in the budget process last year and he will be short. He said they rectified the budget to cover the wages and he has re-opened the applications to hire a few more people. He is requesting to post Tom Dempsey's position.

There was discussion on the ARMS budget for wages.

### **Report – Michael Hokanson**

Mr. Hokanson was present. He said he doesn't have anything for the Commission at this time.

### **Report - Dave Geloso**

Mr. Geloso was present.

Mr. Geloso said Bravo 9 and Bravo 7 are out of service. ARMS is down two ambulances and they do 3000 calls a year. They also cover a lot of mutual aid calls. He said that Bravo 7 will be running shortly. He is working on it at this time.

There was discussion on the age of all of the ambulance fleets in the Valley and that most of them are getting old.

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

### **New Business**

Mr. Geloso said Public Works is in the process of getting the washing machine running. He said the ceiling tiles are being replaced.

Chief Heon said there are garage door issues. He spoke to Supt. D'Alessio regarding the doors that are not closing properly. He said it is important that the garage doors are repaired. Supt. D'Alessio told him if there is any money left at the end of the year he will see about getting the doors repaired.

Chief Heon made a motion to allow ARMS to send the UTV to the Special Olympics on Friday, Saturday and Sunday – June 10, 11, 12, 2016. Only ARMS personnel will drive it and it will be parked at the Police Dept. at SCSU. Alderman Vaccaro seconded. All in favor, so carried.

### **Unfinished Business**

None

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

None

### **Adjourn**

Chief Heon made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Mr. Hokanson seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Jo-Lynn Flaherty  
Secretary