



EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
EMS Commission

Minutes of the Regular Meeting
January 23, 2006

Chairman McGorty called the regular meeting of the EMS Commission to order at 7:40 p.m. All those present rose and pledged allegiance to the flag.

Roll Call

Commissioners Present

Noreen McGorty, Chairman
Jay Francino-Quinn
Karynn Krill-Weinstein

Also in Attendance

Jason Perillo, Chief EHAC

Public Portion – None

Minutes for Approval

MOTION made by Commissioner Francino-Quinn to approve the Minutes of December 19, 2005 as prepared and distributed, seconded by Commissioner Krill-Weinstein and passed unanimously.

Correspondence

Farewell celebration for Chief Vocolla on February 10, 2006.

Update from EHAC and VEMS

Chief Perillo was not able to attend tonight's meeting. He had planned on attending last night; therefore he did not prepare a written report for the month. Chairman McGorty will inquire as to having Chief Perillo prepare a written report for the next meeting.

Old Business None

New Business Budget for FY 06-07

A copy of the proposed budget was distributed to all Commission members. Chairman McGorty stated that the first page is an overview of all budget items. The Commissioners reviewed the handouts and discussed a few items. Chairman McGorty stated that the main focus of 06-07 is communications.

Commissioner Francino-Quinn questioned pg. 21-6, the maintenance of Communications equipment dedicated to CMED dispatch and operations. If we are paying them for the service, why do we need to pay for the maintenance?

Chairman McGorty stated that it is for the equipment at Echo Hose headquarters, not CMED.

Chairman McGorty stated that the biggest increase asked for is on page 21-8 re. Communication Equipment. This makes sense because it is the area we will be focusing most of our attention. With the addition of new ambulances and members, radios and equipment for them are required. Also, there are a few dead zones in town that need to be addressed, communication is key.

Commissioner Francino-Quinn agreed, stating that there are areas that need to be addressed. He also questioned if there were any plans to expand CPR training and any additional trainings to the public.

Chairman McGorty stated she would look into that for the next meeting.

MOTION made By Commissioner Francino-Quinn to approve the Budget for 06-07 as presented, seconded by Commissioner Krill-Weinstein and passed unanimously.

Payment of Bills

CMED- Chairman McGorty stated that we owe for the month of January 2006, for a total of \$5,291.58.

MOTION made by Commissioner Krill-Weinstein to pay CMED invoice in the amount of \$5,291.58, seconded by Commissioner Francino-Quinn and passed unanimously.

EHAC -Chairman McGorty stated that we owe \$5,000 for January 2006 for the First Responder program.

MOTION made by Commissioner Krill-Weinstein to approve payment of the EHAC Invoice for the month of January for a total of \$5,000, seconded by Commissioner Francino-Quinn and passed unanimously.

SBC- current charges are \$385.05, consistent with past months.

CMED Dispatch Reports

Chairman McGorty stated that we have the month of December to look at.

Chief Perillo arrived at 7:55pm.

Commissioner Krill-Weinstein asked if there is any new information re: the calls from the nursing homes.

Chairman McGorty stated that there was not, but that she would be looking into this.

Commissioner Francino-Quinn asked if it seemed like there was any specific area that the traffic accidents seemed to be occurring.

Chief Perillo stated that the really bad accidents seem to occur on the back roads, not in any specific areas. The Police Dept. tracks the accidents as far as severity and frequency.

Chairman McGorty stated that at the monthly Health and Safety meetings she attends, there are discussions re: this, as well as stop sign requests and reviews of areas in question. They work in conjunction with the Police department.

Commissioner Krill-Weinstein asked how many vehicles are available during the day.

Chief Perillo stated there are 2 fully staffed ambulances and a fully staffed fly car.

Chief Perillo stated the amount of calls from 2004 to 2005 went up over 7% while the population stayed about the same.

Report of Chairman

The outstanding bills have been rectified. We will be looking at the items needed to be purchased in this fiscal year.

Report of Commissioners None

Adjournment-

MOTION made by Commissioner Francino-Quinn to adjourn the meeting at 8:11 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Krill-Weinstein and passed Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by: Karen Minopoli, Clerk, EMS Commission