

## **EMS Advisory Council Minutes**

Meeting called to order at 700

Alex Londo, Roger Bissen, Bryce Schaben, Barry Jacobsen, Karen Schlueter, Gene Gettys, Tim Springman, Frank Daniels, Kristy Hansen, Tim Plumb, Janelle Sorfenden, and Jenny Lefeber were in attendance. Neil Gross arrived at 0724.

Motion to approve the agenda by Karen and second by Barry. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the minutes by Tim Plumb and second by Karen. Motion carried.

Kristy Hansen gave the updated budget numbers. There was concerns brought up by several people about budget figures and the lack of volunteer support funding in previous budgets. The new proposed figures were within the allowable amounts with the tax dollars that would be collected and the hospital was going to use a portion of their tax levy to assist in funding. There was conversation about how much current employees at Medivac make and it was stated that the increase in benefits from private to government employers would draw existing Medivac employees. This new budget also included about \$90,000 per year for volunteer support. More discussion on staffing was had and Alex referred to the Kelly Schedule which would leave the county with 2 staffed ambulances 24/7. Motion by Barry and seconded by Karen to accept the new budget amount and plan. Motion carried.

The topic of Harlan having an ambulance was brought up by several members. Gene and Roger stated that they did not duplicate services already provided by the county but would look at the feasibility of housing an ambulance at Harlan Fire.

The timeline and talking points were then discussed by the group. The timeline is being followed and the talking points will be completed before the reading of the resolution.

Tim brought up that it would be good to start going to different departments to discuss the updates to the plan and funding. Everyone was in agreement and Tim, Jordon, Karen, and Alex would start working to get to the different departments.

There was some discussion on Roger being the president of the committee and if it should be someone different to prevent it from being seen as a City of Harlan plan but rather a county wide plan. Motion by Karen and seconded by Bryce to have Tim Plumb moved to president effective immediate. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned

