

Jordan Valley Emergency Medical Services Authority
Monthly Meeting
April 16, 2014

Meeting called to order at 5:07 pm by President Mann.

Present: Tom Mann (Banks Township), Chris Yonker (City of East Jordan), Alan Petrie (Echo Township), Bob Draves (South Arm Township), Jay Peck (Staff), Karen Watkins (Staff)

Absent: Brian Meads (Jordan Township), Todd Sorenson (Wilson Township)

Visitors: Commissioners Tom Breakey and Mark Penzien

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Mann.

Invocation offered by President Mann.

Alan Petrie made a motion to approve the April 16, 2014 agenda. Support by Bob Draves. Passed all ayes.

Bob Draves made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 19, 2014 meeting as presented. Support by Chris Yonker. Passed all ayes.

Bob Draves made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2014 special meeting as presented. Support by Alan Petrie. Passed all ayes.

Chris Yonker made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 9, 2014 special meeting as presented. Support by Alan Petrie. Passed all ayes.

Public Comment:

Commissioner Penzien said he was concerned with Eveline Township changing coverage area and the possible increase in response time that could occur due to this change. He inquired as to whether or not the authority had also voiced those concerns to not only Eveline Township, but also the directors of Boyne City and Charlevoix's EMS departments. Chris stated that he had spoken with some of Boyne's council members and did reiterate to them the need to consider response time when it came time for them to make the decision on whether or not to accept the new coverage area for Eveline Township.

Tom said he wanted to take the opportunity to express his appreciation to the visitors that have attended the meetings and also to the City of East Jordan for their support in this effort.

Approved July 2, 2014

Old Business:

Rules of Procedure Policy – the board needs to go over this section by section to determine if any changes need to be made.

Section 2.3- there was a question on how special meetings could be called and the procedures involved. After discussion it was decided that further in the section it clarifies the exact steps that are involved.

Section 3.0- it was decided that an outside display board would be purchased to post the meeting dates and also any notices of special meetings.

Decision was made at 6:10 pm by President Mann to table any further discussion on the Rules of Procedure and also the FOIA Policy until next regular meeting to allow discussion of the ballot language. Rules of Procedure will resume at Section 5.3.

New Business:

Tom wanted to know what happened at the City Commission meeting the night before as he was unable to attend. The commission agreed to do a 3 year lease to the authority for the building with the first 2 years held in abeyance and then the third year a \$1300.00 per month rent will be charged. There was concern that some of the city council members were only looking at the authority as a money maker for the city. There was some concern that perhaps we should consider raising the millage amount to cover any surprise costs that may arise. Bob felt any millage decision should be put off until a full board was present.

President Mann called for a Special Meeting on Wednesday April 23, 2014 to discuss Ballot Language only.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm by President Mann.

Submitted by: Karen Watkins

Robert Draves, Authority Secretary

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