

MAS Commission
Meeting of the Commissioners
August 17, 2023, 6:30pm
MAS Station

Meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Chairperson Brenda Carey-Mielke.

Commission Members Present

Doty: Bob Gaie

Mountain: Brenda Carey-Mielke, Toni Stastny

Riverview: Dave Van Zeeland, Judy Wanner

MAS: Charlie Anderson, Mike Rzepka

Citizens Present: Dave Szepanski

Commission Members Absent

Doty: Randy Siewert

Meeting Posting

Charlie Anderson verified that the agenda had been sent to the towns for posting. Each Town verified that the agenda had been posted as required by State Statute 19.84(1)(b).

Approval of Minutes of the Prior Meeting

Brenda Carey-Mielke presented a resolution upon a motion duly made by Judy Wanner, seconded by Mike Rzepka and carried; the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the MAS Commission meeting held on May 18, 2023 and presented to the MAS Commissioners at this meeting, be and hereby are, approved.

Old Business

Ambulance

Charlie Anderson reported that the ambulance that has been listed for sale has received 1,700 views. He shared that other similar ambulances have been going for approximately \$20,000 and not the \$25,000 that we currently have listed. He stated that we may lower the price to \$22,000 when the current listing expires. He said that he will have an update at our next meeting.

Levy Limit (WTA)

Bob Gaie shared information that Section 66.03.01 is in our multi-governmental agreement; however, paragraph 2 of that state statute is not. It was recommended by the WTA attorney's that an addendum should be added to the agreement. In order to do so, each town would need to pass a resolution recommending that paragraph 2 of that state statute be added. Brenda Carey-Mielke said that she

would get a draft resolution from the WTA that could be added to each of the town's agendas for the September meeting. She will forward that information to each of the town's commissioners.

New Business

2021 Audit

Charlie Anderson stated that the audit was completed, and a copy was given to each of the commissioners. He said that the audit shows that there are still some internal control recommendations, which are the same recommendations from the last audit. However, given the small number of staff and the lack of training / knowledge in accounting best practices, everything still checks out. Charlie said that there will be another meeting shortly to begin the 2022 audit.

Ambulance Repairs

Charlie said that the air conditioning went out in the 2010 unit. He said that the same issue happened to this unit in 2019. He further stated that we are waiting on parts, but it should be going back into service this coming Monday or Tuesday. Charlie said that this unit is going to be sold. He went on to say that Witt Ford worked with them and were able to get refurbished parts, which saved some time and money.

Charlie reported that the 2017 unit lost power to the box. He stated that the chassis had power, but the EMT box did not have anything. This happened over Memorial weekend. Since that time, the power has come back on, but Road Rescue is unable to diagnose this over the phone. It appears that the unit will need to go back to Road Rescue, which is located in Minnesota, in order to properly address this. He stated that when we get the 2010 unit back, he would look at scheduling this to be serviced.

Charlie concluded that the 2022 unit is a workhorse and handled the 49 calls. It's working great. He stated that he has no update on the one yet to come.

Budget

Brenda Carey-Mielke asked Charlie if there were any going to be any surprises to the 2024 budget. Charlie stated that there shouldn't be any surprises, other than the fact that he was told the health insurance was going to be increasing 11%. He stated that we are on the state plan and there are several levels to that plan. Currently we are in the middle. Dave Van Zeeland reiterated that the overtime needs to be separated out from the wages and should be shown and budgeted for separately. We need to be transparent about how much is actually overtime versus actual wages.

2024 EMT Class

Charlie Anderson stated that NWTC is providing an EMT class at MAS beginning January 1 through May 13th.

Hearing of no more new business, Chair Carey-Mielke adjourned the meeting at 7:00pm. The next scheduled meeting will be the budget meeting on September 21, 2023 at 6:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Van Zeeland, Secretary

Supervisor, Town of Riverview