

**Linn County EMS Association - Minutes**

**October 20, 2010**

**Location: Center Point Ambulance Service**

**Center Point, IA**

**Attendees:**

Jamie Alshouse, Tom Church, Shawn Fluharty, Jennifer Gilchrist, Pres. Verna Keuhl, Ryan Sutcliffe, Sec. Andrew Sweeney and Mike Techau.

Departments represented: Center Point Ambulance, Hiawatha Fire and Ambulance, Lisbon-Mt. Vernon Ambulance and Marion Fire Department.

**Meeting Called to Order:**

At 1905 by President Verna Kuehl

**Minutes:**

Minutes were reviewed. Made a correction for the total reimbursement amount for Linn County Sherriff's Office. Amount was \$ 4059.30; corrected total was \$ 4059.55. Tom Church motioned to approve the corrected minutes from the July 2010 meeting. Mike Techau seconds the motion. Motion carried.

**Financial Report:**

No changes. Update on reimbursement checks: Checks should be out in the next two weeks. See July 2010 minutes for exact reimbursement totals.

The contract for FY 10/11 was signed by Linda Langston on Aug 30<sup>th</sup>. Total amount of available money for reimbursement will be \$ 8656.00

Verna has received reimbursement request for Lisbon/Mt Vernon. All requests will be reviewed after the meeting.

**State Report:**

Craig Keough was not present. He will be sending out his quarterly news letter soon. He is also set to retire this December.

**Old Business:**

Recapped By-law changes that were approved at the July 2010 meeting. Verna Keuhl has the original signed document.

Verna discussed reimbursement policy. Mike Techau motioned to eliminate Benton-Linn from the entities due to Benton-Linn not being a service any more. Second by Tom Church. Motion carried.

**MCI Trailer:**

Discussion was held about routine maintenance that needs to be completed. Unknown if EMA was taking care of the powered equipment. Shawn Fluharty will organize schedule of maintenance. He does request additional help. Email him if willing to help; [sfluharty@mchsi.com](mailto:sfluharty@mchsi.com).

Discussion was held about possibly donating the trailer to another agency. Group felt that was something that could not be done due to the grants that were acquired to obtain the trailer.

Discussion was held about moving the trailer to Marion so regular maintenance can be done. There was concern about how fast EMA can get the trailer out the door. Past discussions with members of EMA stated that it would take at least 45 minutes to get the trailer out the door. If moved to Marion, regular maintenance would be performed and if needed the trailer could be on the road in 15 minutes. Will discuss this topic at the next meeting.

**New Business:**

Discussion was held at the previous meeting about who is responsible to call Trauma Alerts. Tom Church talked with the states who stated that Trauma Alert protocols are up to local hospitals/agencies. Sec. Andrew Sweeney will contact the hospitals and discuss this topic. Findings will be discussed at the next meeting.

**Election of Officers:**

President

Mike Techau nominated Verna Kuehl, Tom Church seconds the nomination. Mike Techau motioned to cease nominations. Shawn Fluharty seconds motion. There was only one candidate for President. Motion carried.

Vice President

Andrew Sweeney nominated Shawn Fluharty, Mike Techau seconds the nomination.

Shawn Fluharty nominated Mike Techau. Mike Techau declines.

Mike Techau motioned to cease nominations. Tom Church seconds motion. There was only one candidate for Vice President. Motion carried.

## Secretary

Mike Techau nominated Andrew Sweeney, Shawn Fluharty seconds the nomination. Tom Church motioned to cease nominations. Mike Techau seconds motion. There was only one candidate for Secretary. Motion carried.

## Open Forum

Discussion was held about R57 coming to call/ monitoring calls.

A question was brought up about any grants for AEDs. The group suggested looking into the Greater Cedar Rapids Foundation Linn Co Fund (the funded part of CPAS building generator), talk to Dawn Svenson-Holland about grant writing and the St Luke's Rural Healthcare Grant.

Lisbon/ Mt Vernon building construction in underway.

## Next Meeting:

Jan 19<sup>th</sup> at Hiawatha

## Motion to Adjourn:

Jamey Alshouse motioned to adjourn. Mike Techau seconds the motion. Motion carried at 19:55

## Minutes submitted by:

Secretary, Andrew Sweeney

October 21, 2010