

New Richmond Area Ambulance Service
Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday May 23, 2018

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Steve Lewis at 6:30pm.

Roll Call: Members present- Steve Lewis, John VanDyke, Jim Peirson, Randy Zemke, Ron Volkert, Barry Ausen, Craig Kittle and Jerry Croes.

Excused: Chris Boardman, Jim Jackson

Members Absent: Willard Moeri, Randy Olson, no member from Town of Warren yet assigned

Others present: Matt Melby, Director

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda as distributed was made by Craig Kittle and seconded by Randy Zemke. Motion carried

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the March 21, 2018 minutes was made by Craig Kittle and seconded by Jerry Croes. Motion carried.

Executive Committee Election: Motion by Craig Kittle to keep the Executive Committee members as is and seconded by Randy Zemke. Motion carried.

Financial Report: Melby reported for 2018 through April 2018.

The 2018 report shows Gross Patient Billable higher than budgeted and Net Patient Revenue 8% higher than budget. Expenses are 3.7% higher than budget due to various reasons. Overall the service is showing a loss of \$3,994 which includes depreciation. Cash balance is strong and the service is at 121 days cash on hand. The service remains in a strong financial position.

Operations Report: Call numbers were discussed for the year and compared to last year. 2017 and 2018 numbers are very similar and it appears as the call volume has leveled out. Municipal usage was briefly discussed. Staffing levels and concerns for back up coverage were discussed including that our new paramedic is going to become full time for us in June and that we are short due to some injuries. Pay was discussed for the staff and the board believes that adjustments will need to be made next year and possibly a "technical adjustment" prior to that this year. The 2009 ambulance remount was discussed, reason why we are going that route, time line, and how the service will be paying for the project. First National Community Bank is offering a 5 year loan at 5.5%. John Vandyke wants to look at St. Croix Electric to see if their program to fund community organizations will be an option due to lower interest rates. New radios are working well and we will slowly add mobile radios to the ambulances. The new Durango has been delivered and soon it will have a radio and graphics. The station is in good shape and we are waiting for Banner Lawn Care to mow. Melby reported on a meeting with other ambulance providers though the county regarding the County's request to look at establishing a county wide EMS service. Those present felt the timing is not right for this project.

Announcements: 2018 golf scramble fundraiser will be July 23

Next Board Meeting date: August 15, 2018

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Jerry Croes and seconded by Jim Peirson. Meeting adjourned at 7:20pm