

Rusk County Emergency Services Minutes

January 10, 2024

Present: Schmitt, Schneider, Cudo, Gudis, Wedwick

Others Present: Jeff Wallace, George Murray, Tom Hall, Annette Grotzinger, Miranda Kron, Ashley Heath

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 8:00am

Approval of the Minutes

Motion by Cudo, second by Gudis to approve the December 13, 2023 meeting minutes as prepared. Motion carried.

Public Comment

None.

Rusk County Emergency Management/Ambulance Director presentation

- Reviewed monthly report including ambulance needs/repairs and general department updates.
- Out-of-County Training Requests: A definitive list of attendees will be brought to committee next month for approval to attend the WEMSA Conference in Green Bay, WI.
- Motion by Wedwick, second by Gudis to approve payment approval report. Motion carried.
- Budget Review
- Discussion and Possible Motion
 - Ambulance Bids: Opened and reviewed bids. Motion by Gudis, second by Cudo for Tom Hall to create a spreadsheet to breakdown cost and comparisons for each rig and bring back to committee next month for final approval. Motion carried

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Demars	\$261,315.00
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Demars	\$274,399.00
Crestline	\$209,287.00
Crestline	\$258,059.00
Crestline (4WD)	\$261,495.00
LifeLine	
	\$323,518.00
	\$295,507.00
(remount)	\$256,170.00
(remount)	\$248,191.00
EV Plus	
	\$292,938.00

Rusk County Medical Examiner presentation

- Reviewed monthly report including death statistics and general department updates.
- Out-of-County Training Requests: None.
- Motion by Wedwick, second by Cudo to approve payment approval report. Motion carried.
- Budget Review

Rusk County Sheriff presentation

- Reviewed monthly report including inmate housing updates, calls for service, overtime costs, and general department updates.
- Out-of-County Training Requests: Grassmann [01/25 – Employee Wellness Resiliency – Dodge, Co.] Motion by Cudo, second by Gudis to approve training request. Motion carried.
- Motion by Wedwick, second by Cudo to approve payment approval report. Motion carried.
- Budget Review
- Radio Upgrade: Verbal update given to committee for the radio/tower upgrade. Jail Capt. Murray expressed the importance of the upgrade due to all equipment being deemed end of life by ANCOM/Motorola and the officer safety concerns that surround being unable to communicate via radio. Explained that the project will be completed in 2 phases; the first phase will be replacement of all necessary radio equipment, then move forward with utilizing simulcast in the second phase. The current quote is \$2.4 million for each phase, with the understanding the cost is subject to change due to the amount of time it will take to be ready for phase 2. Murray explained to the committee that overall the project will take 4-5 years to complete both phase 1 and phase 2. Motion by Gudis, second by Wedwick to forward project proposal to the County Board for approval. Motion carried.
- Renew VESTA Maintenance Agreement: Increase in agreement as it will now be carried through ATT vs Lumen as Lumen is no longer servicing any 911 related software. Motion by Cudo, second by Wedwick to approve the renewal of the VESTA Maintenance Agreement with ATT. Motion carried.
- Renew ANCOM Maintenance Agreement: Motion by Wedwick, second by Cudo to approve maintenance renewal with ANCOM. Motion carried.
- Retirement of Service Weapons: Sheriff Wallace explained to the committee that the department would like approval to give service weapons to the respective deputy when they fully retire from Rusk County. Motion by Wedwick, second by Gudis to approve the retirement of service weapons to the deputy when they fully retire from the department. Motion carried.

Next Meeting Date

February 14, 2024 at 8:00am

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 8:58am