

Rusk County Emergency Services Minutes

January 11, 2023

Present: Schneider, Cudo, Wedwick

Absent: Schmitt, Gudis

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 Wedwick, second by Cudo to approve minutes from the December 14, 2022 committee meeting as prepared. Motion carried.

Public Comment

Martin Huhn spoke to the committee regarding the use of BlueJeans during meetings to allow the public to participate in meetings without driving in. Also recommends better upkeep on the County's website with agendas and minutes. Recommends more transparency between the County and the public.

Rusk County Emergency Management/Ambulance Director presentation

- Reviewed ambulance needs/repairs.
- Storm response review meeting held about the winter storm/electrical outages in December 2022.
- Training Requests: WEM Conference [02/27 – 03/01 – Middleton]; HERC Training [01/25]; TTX for Hazmat Training [February 2023]. Motion by Schneider, second by Wedwick to approve out of county training. Motion carried.
- Ambulance Bids opened and presented to committee by Tom Hall. Received bids from three companies for a new ambulance.
 - LifeLine: E450, fully equipped for \$271,124.00 (\$5,000.00 trade-in credit for old ambulance)
 - Everest: E450, fully equipped for \$305,500.00 (\$5,000.00 trade-in credit for old ambulance)
 - EV+: E350, fully equipped for \$305,917.00 and E450, fully equipped for \$324,866.00 (no trade in credit applied on estimate).

Motion by Cudo, second by Wedwick to forward the bid from LifeLine to the Property and Finance committees. Motion carried.

- Motion by Wedwick, second by Cudo to approve payment approval report. Motion carried.
- Budget Review: on track

Rusk County Medical Examiner presentation

- Monthly death statistics reviewed. Request from committee to continue tracking hospice calls.
- Decedent cot that was scheduled to arrive November 2022 is now pushed out with a delivery date of March 2023.
- Training Requests: None
- Motion by Wedwick, second by Schneider to approve payment approval report. Motion carried.
- Budget Review: on track

Rusk County Sheriff presentation

- Reviewed monthly report; 5 inmates (1 billable) housed out of county
- Training Request: Dieckman & Neal [02/21 – 02/24 – Instructor Development – Sparta, WI] Duchnowski [02/01 – 02/02 – DOJ Peer Support – Rice Lake, WI] Kostka & Nitek [02/12 – 02/15 – 2023 WS & DSA Training Conference – Green Bay, WI] Dieckman & Neal [02/21 – 02/24 – Instructor Development – Sparta, WI] Branstad [03/15 – 03/16 – ARIDE Training – Green Bay, WI] Jones [03/15 – 03/17 – Court Safety & Security Conference – Appleton, WI] Rhein [03/27 – 04/28 – Jail Officer Academy – Rhinelander, WI] Kron [04/24 – 04/25 – Grant Writing – Green Bay, WI] Ohmstead [05/23 – Patrol Rifle Magnified Optics – Cornell, WI] Branstad [06/19 – Effective Policing Skills/Tactics – Muskego PD] Motion by Cudo, second by Schneider to approve all training requests. Motion carried.
- Sheriff Wallace reminded committee members of the fundraiser put on by Ladysmith Family Restaurant.
- Motion by Wedwick, second by Cudo to approve payment approval report. Motion carried.
- Budget Review: on track
- Separation of Jail/Dispatch: No new updates; will continue to discuss at AD HOC Master Plan meetings.
- Radio Upgrade: No update

Next Meeting Date

February 8, 2023

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 8:52am