

Rusk County Emergency Services

MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, September 9, 2020 - 8:00 AM

Present: Pedersen, Schmitt, Schneider, Stout, Sarah Rands and Dobrowolski

Others Present: Tom Hall, Jim Rassbach, Jerilea Hendrick and Sheriff Wallace.

1. Meeting called to order by Schmitt at 8:13 AM.
2. Stout/Pedersen motion to approve the August 12, 2020 meeting minutes, motion carried.
3. Rusk County Emergency Management/Ambulance Director presentation
 - a. Tom Hall presented the Monthly EMA/Ambulance report which included EMA/AMB, training, meetings and end of year stats. Hall has purchased Slishman traction splits, to add to the ambulances.
 - b. Training request – None. Lots of online training for EMT's.
 - c. Payment of bills – \$8,073.81 dated 09/02/2020 – Stout/Dobrowolski motion to approve payment approval report, motion carried.
 - d. Collections – nothing new.
 - e. 2020 Budget review – the budget is good, waiting for state reimbursement.
 - f. Community involvement/recruitment – class is scheduled for January 2021.
 - g. Anthem rate schedule approval – Schneider/Dobrowolski motion to approve the Anthem rate schedule, motion carried.
4. Rusk County Medical Examiner presentation
 - a. Monthly report – Rassbach presented the monthly report for August. There were 8 natural deaths, 2 accidental death, 0 suicide, 9 cremations, 3 pending death certificate related to death determination and/or toxicology. Pathology SC continues to be temporarily closed. Autopsies go to MN while closed which increases the costs.
 - b. Training requests – none at this time.
 - c. Payment of bills – \$2,292.53 dated 09/02/2020 – Pedersen/ Schneider motion to approve Payment Approval Report, motion carried.
 - d. 2020 budget review – budget is on track. Autopsy over budget, COVID supplies are charged to insurance claims, cremation fees are the only revenue source and billed at \$75 per cremation.
5. Rusk County Sheriff presentation
 - a. Monthly report – Sheriff Wallace presented the August monthly reports which included inmate population, training, meetings, calls for service, inmate housing A/R and overtime. Average daily inmate population was 31 in August and average daily EMP was 0. The average daily number of inmates housed out of county was 1, in a treatment facility at no cost to Rusk Co.
 - b. Training requests – Gronski 9/16-18 – Search Coordinator Training, Green Bay; Read, Zielke 9/29 – Taser Instructor, Eau Claire; Kummet, Reisner 10/4-6 – K9

Training, Itasca, MN; Murray, Zebro 1/4/21-2/5/21 – Basic Jail Officer, NCTC, Wausau. Motion by Pedersen/Dobrowolski to approve training requested, motion carried.

- c. Payment of bills –\$18,438.74 dated Sept. 2, 2020 – Pedersen/Schneider motion to approve payment approval report, motion carried.
 - d. 2020 budget review – Attached report from Finance for review. Budget will be tight.
 - e. Long-range planning [New Jail] – nothing new, unsure if Finance will budget funds for a jail study.
6. The next meeting will be Wednesday, October 14, 2020 at 8:00 AM.
7. Pedersen/Dobrowolski motion to adjourn at 9:15 AM, motion carried.