



TRI-TOWN AMBULANCE

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Tri-Town Ambulance Committee

September 18, 2019 Meeting Minutes 12:00 P.M.

Approved by the Committee 10/8/2019

Committee Chair Warren Doty called the meeting to order at 12:07 p.m.

In attendance

Committee Chair Warren Doty, Committee Member Cindy Mitchell, Committee Member Jim Newman, Chief Ben Retmier, Paramedic Belinda Booker, Administrative Assistant Allison Graczykowski

- **Approval of July 9th, 2019 Meeting Minutes**

Committee Member Cindy Mitchell motioned to approve the July 9th, 2019 meeting minutes as written. Committee Chair Warren Doty seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- **Old Business**

Committee Member Cindy Mitchell offered that the premise of agreeing to form TTA is that each town in the Tri-Town service area, has to have an ambulance. An ambulance service is essentially a fixed cost. That's been the basis for the regionalization of the service and the current model to share the cost evenly is appropriate.

Conversation ensued amongst the Committee members and Chief Retmier. After much discussion the Committee concluded that each town paying one third of the cost is a direction they are comfortable presenting to their boards.

New Business

TTA Building Funding

Time will be reserved for topics the chair did not reasonably anticipate.

- **TTA Chief report**

Three Month Review

The new AED's are out in the community. Chief Retmier shared that feedback from the community has been that they are pleased that the units are user friendly. Chief will be hosting classes next year before the summer season for towns and departments.

Chief Retmier shared that from June 18th 2019 to September 18th, 2019, Tri-Town Ambulance had a total of 157 incidents. Last year for this same period, there were 151 incidents.

The year to date total thus far for 2019 is 299 incidents. At the same time last year Tri-Town Ambulance had 284 incidents.

Paramedic Belinda Booker put together a class that she presented at the Squad meeting regarding communication with the Communications Center. Chief Retmier shared that she did a great job!

- **Comstar Update**

Collections continue to go well.

- **CPE Funds**

At the end of June TTA received \$15,825.00 in CPE Funds. Year over year we have more than doubled what TTA receives since we began applying for these funds.

- **Next Meeting Date**

Tuesday October 8th 12:00 pm.

- **Adjournment**

Committee member Cindy Mitchell motioned to adjourn the meeting at 12:57 pm and Committee Chair Warren Doty seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Prepared by: _____
Allison Graczykowski Administrative Assistant