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Tri-Town Ambulance Committee **May 12, 2021 Meeting Minutes** **Approved by the Committee June 9, 2021**

Committee Chair Warren Doty called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m.

In attendance

Committee Chair Warren Doty, Committee Member Jim Newman, Committee Member Cindy Mitchell, Chief Ben Retmier, Administrative Assistant Allison Graczykowski, Allen Rugg

- **Approval of April 7, 2021 Meeting Minutes.**

Committee Member Jim Newman motioned to approve the meeting minutes from April 7, 2021 as written. Committee Member Cindy Mitchell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- **Old Business**
- **New Business**

Chief Retmier shared that we had our annual inspection last week and that it went extremely well.

- **TTA Chief report**

- **Three Month Review**

Covid Updates - Chief Retmier offered that Tri-Town staff is 100% vaccinated.

Chief Retmier shared that from 2/11/2021 thru 5/11/2021 Tri-Town Ambulance had a total of 64 incidents. Last year for this same period, there were 54 incidents.

From 1/1/2021 thru 5/11/2021 there were a total of 88 incidents. At the same time last year Tri-Town Ambulance had 73 incidents.

- **Balances left in Warrant Articles**

Chief Retmier discussed the balances left in two warrant articles - one for \$725.35 and the other balance of \$14,468.21.

After a discussion with the Committee, they believe that the money should be returned to general funds.

Committee Chair Warren Doty said that we can now sunset these two articles. The projects are complete and this is extra money.

Chief Retmier will reach out to Ellen Biskis Town Accountant.

- **Funding Formula**

Chief Retmier shared Formula Five. This formula was based on Chief's determination of what would be a fixed cost vs. a non-fixed cost. Chief Retmier reviewed with the Committee how those determinations were made. Committee Member Cindy Mitchell asked to see this rerun - showing comparison of Formula 4 and Formula 5. Formula 4 and 5 were not compared at this time because Formula 4 was done with actual assessments vs Formula 5 which was based on budgeted numbers.

New numbers will be presented at the June meeting.

Timeline for sharing proposed changes to the funding formula would be at joint Selectmen's meeting in September.

Chief Retmier asked Committee if he should reach out to the various finance committees or at least town accountants before they go to the Selectmen. Committee Member Cindy Mitchell believes this is a good idea.

- **Comstar**

Allison Graczykowski did not have collection updates available.

- **Next Meeting Date**

June 2, 2021

- **Adjournment**

Committee Chair Warren Doty motioned to adjourn the meeting at 12:45 pm and Committee Member Jim Newman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Prepared by: _____
Allison Graczykowski Administrative Assistant

