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Tri-Town Ambulance Committee **June 17th, 2020 Meeting Minutes** **Approved by the Committee August 5, 2020**

Committee Chair Warren Doty called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

In attendance

Committee Chair Warren Doty, Committee Member Jim Newman, Chief Ben Retmier, Administrative Assistant Allison Graczykowski

Absent

Committee Member Cindy Mitchell

- **Approval of May 27th, 2020 Meeting Minutes**

Committee Member Jim Newman motioned to approve meeting minutes from May 1st, 2020 as written. Committee Chair Warren Doty seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- **Old Business**

Committee Chair Warren Doty stated that the new Tri-Town Ambulance building is on hold until at least until October

- **New Business**

Chief Retmier shared that TTA's oxygen supplier, SBS is getting out of the oxygen business which will impact the service. Other Island EMS services have their own systems and generators. Edgartown and Tisbury use onsite gas. Committee Member Jim Newman asked Chief Retmier about the cost of doing

onsite gas. Chief Retmier shared that he thinks the cost would be approximately \$5,000.00-\$10,000.00 for the generator and then the tanks are between \$5-7,000.00. One additional cost would be to replace the 50-60 tanks that we have out at approximately \$100.00 per tank.

Chief Retmier shared that he'll put together a proposal and his hope is to use the ambulance reserve receipt funds. Additionally, he's looking into a stop gap measure with the Tisbury service.

Chief Retmier shared with the committee that there is an increase in population on the Island.

Also, due to fogging of current eye protection that he and Deputy Chief Montanile have placed an order for new eye protection. Each EMT will be assigned and responsible for their own pair.

Compressor on air ride system on W-90 has been repaired and back in service.

Lastly, Chief Retmier shared that there are some issues with C90 with lights - that's been an ongoing issue that's recently come back. He states that when everyone knows if new building is coming, he'll begin the process of replacing C-90.

- **TTA Chief report**
- **Three Month Review**

Chief Retmier shared that from 3/17/2020 thru 6/17/2020 Tri-Town Ambulance had a total of 72 incidents. Last year for this same period, there were 84 incidents.

The year to date total thus far for 2020 is 109 incidents. At the same time last year Tri-Town Ambulance had 142 incidents.

A brief conversation ensued regarding protocols of a patient who is DOA.

Chief Retmier shared that he'll need his annual evaluation done. Committee Chair Warren Doty offered that he'll be happy to do that next week on June 24th - 1:00 pm. Chief Retmier will send a zoom request.

- **Comstar**

Collections continue to go well

- **Next Meeting Date**

August 5th, 2020 12:00 pm

- **Adjournment**

Committee Chair Warren Doty motioned to adjourn the meeting at 12:21pm and Committee Member Jim Newman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Prepared by: _____
Allison Graczykowski Administrative Assistant