



TRI-TOWN AMBULANCE

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Tri-Town Ambulance Committee June 28, 2023 Meeting Minutes Approved by the Committee June 28, 2023

Committee Jim Newman called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m.

In attendance

Committee Chair Jim Newman, Committee Member Cindy Mitchell, Committee Member Marie Larsen, Chief Ben Retmier, Chief Pachico, Administrative Assistant Allison Graczykowski

- **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

**Committee Member Cindy Mitchell motioned to approve the May 10th Meeting Minutes and Committee Member Marie Larsen seconded the motion.
The motion passed unanimously.**

Old Business

Chief Retmier shared that the open house for the new station has been pushed back to July 12, 2023. The reason is that a load test is needed on the generator and the earliest they can come over and do the test is July 10th.

The garage door in Aquinnah is being repaired today. Once complete Alpha 90 will go back to the Aquinnah station.

- **New Business**

- **Chief Report**

Chief Retmier was unable to pull the call numbers prior to the meeting today however, did share that the call volume is up as compared to last year.

The ambulance inspection went well. The front of house and back of house are in good standing order.

- **New Ambulance**

Chief Retmier shared that at the special town meeting in Chilmark, \$225,000.00 was appropriated for a new ambulance.

He then found out that the actual purchase price for a new ambulance is close to \$400-\$450,000.00. A shortfall of about \$125,000-150,000.00.

Chief Retmier also shared that Bulldog has two show models available that cost roughly \$350,000.00 - \$375,000.00.

Chief wanted to start the discussion to determine how to move forward with a purchase as the lead time for a new ambulance is 36-40 months.

- **Fiscal Year 2023 Budget –**

Chief Retmier shared that the FY23 budget is running tight and not sure how much money will be available to give back to the town. Chief also shared that in order to apply for the CPE Funds and complete the mandatory Medicare Data Collection Report, that we will need a reconciled and closed budget for FY23.

- **Comstar Update**

Collections continue to go well.

- **Next Meeting Date**

September 6, 2023

Committee member Cindy Mitchell motioned to adjourn the meeting at 12:24 pm and Committee Member Marie Larsen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Prepared by: _____

Allison Graczykowski Administrative Assistant

