Lamberton Ambulance Monthly Meeting Minutes

November 26th, 2018

7:00pm

Members present: Stacy Osland, Mindi Hesse, Britany Bartholomaus, Debbie Vollmer, Derek Stevenson, Mike Vollmer, Jill Irlbeck, Marissa Brown, Amber Wolmutt, Allison Rue

Absent: Tim Birkemeyer, Colby Davis, Matt Lenning, Paul Bellig, Chad Stavnes, Darrell Knutson, Tony Sauer

Sweatshirts were distributed to members. These are Christmas gifts to crew members from the Ambulance Association in appreciation of their service and work throughout the year.

-Nick opened the meeting with scheduling, giving members time to make any trades needed.

-The City council approved the nomination of Allison Rue to be the new Director beginning after her maternity leave. She will begin a slow transition into the role over the next few months. Nick will continue this role until Allison’s leave is over.

There will be no December Meeting.

The EMT course will begin on December 11th and run Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Tracy Ambulance Base. We have 1 person signed up to begin this class. Members are encouraged to recruit anyone else they think may be interested and direct them to Nick or Allison.

Allison opened discussion about future scheduling. There is an option to leave the schedule “open” so members can fill in which shifts they choose. There is also another option for those who like the current rotation to keep this, but also have fill in shifts. After discussion, crew members decided to keep the schedule as it is for now with continued rotating teams and trading shifts as needed. This continues to work well with our current crew.

Allison brought information on upcoming training opportunities to the crew. There will be a Pediatric Education with Pediatric surge tabletop Exercise on December 18th at the Springfield Hospital meeting room 1 from 7:30am-9:30am. There will be CEU’s offered. If any member wishes to attend, please let Allison know so she can get you signed up.

There will also be a large scale Trauma event in Springfield sometime in April. There will be more information to come on this, but our service is more than welcome to join as observers and possibly participants. Debbie has offered to help in the planning of this along with Allison. More than likely it will be during the work day, so as information comes out Allison will bring it forward.

The training reimbursements have been received. Allison will send in the next request once the recent class of members is eligible for the reimbursement. This will be the end of April/Beginning of May.

 -EMSRB -$4800.00

 -Southwest EMS-$3200.00

There is a lot of work being done regarding billing and insurance. Madonna and Tim are working on this to have a better tracking system of what charges are being paid/written off/etc. Making changes to how this is done will hopefully help the service become more sustainable in the future.

Following the business items, Nick presented CPAP training to the crew. Members reviewed the protocols, and practiced assembling the CPAP. Members felt this was a good refresher as many haven’t used it since we put it into service. Nick did note that North is switching to a new device that is easier to assemble/use. He will look into cost of this along with a couple questions he has about the device.

Meeting dismissed at 9:00pm