



TRI-TOWN AMBULANCE

West Tisbury • Chilmark • Aquinnah

Chief Ben Retmier, Tri-Town Ambulance Chief
P.O. Box 457 West Tisbury, MA. 02575
PHONE/FAX: 508-693-4992
Email: ttemschief@Vineyard.net

Tri-Town Ambulance Committee **August 4, 2021 Meeting Minutes** **Approved by the Committee September 8, 2021**

Committee Chair Warren Doty called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m.

In attendance

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

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

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

- **Old Business**

- **New Business**

- **TTA Chief report**

- **Three Month Review**

Chief Retmier shared that from 5/4/2021 thru 8/4/2021 Tri-Town Ambulance had a total of 129 incidents. For this same period in 2019, there were 138 incidents.

From 1/1/2021 thru 8/4/2021 there were a total of 210 incidents. For the same time period in 2019 Tri-Town Ambulance had 235 incidents.

Chief Retmier shared that he met with the Building Committee and Chilmark Conservation Commission.

The Conservation Commission doesn't seem to have any real concerns regarding the Tri-Town Ambulance building and the proposed parking lot.

- **Funding Formula**

Chief Retmier shared that he has meetings being set up with each towns financial committee and town administrators to discuss the funding formula. Committee Chair Warren Doty shared that our original plan was to have all three Boards of Selectmen to review the proposed funding formula and at same time, propose to amend our MOU to allow selectmen's appointee, rather than a selectman. All these things would happen at a joint meeting in September. Committee Chair Warrant Doty states that we need to find a way to schedule this joint meeting - even on zoom with all three boards in attendance. Committee Member Cindy Mitchell is in favor of that.

Chief Retmier stated that he will reach out to the town administrators and get that set up for the second half of September.

- **Comstar**

Allison Graczykowski shared that collections continue to go well. However, although call out numbers are increasing back to “normal levels” many of the calls Tri-Town has had this summer didn’t result in a transport but rather a refusal. Refusals are not reimbursed from insurance.

- **Next Meeting Date**

September 8, 2021

- **Adjournment**

Committee Chair Warren Doty motioned to adjourn the meeting at 12:42 pm and Committee Member Jim Newman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Prepared by: _____
Allison Graczykowski Administrative Assistant