



TRI-TOWN AMBULANCE

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Tri-Town Ambulance Committee October 6, 2021 Meeting Minutes Approved by the Committee November 3, 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, Allen Rugg, Chief Greg Pachico, Administrative Assistant Allison Graczykowski

- **Approval of September 8, 2021 Meeting Minutes.**

Committee Member Jim Newman motioned to approve the meeting minutes from September 8, 2021 as written. Committee Member Cindy Mitchell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- **Old Business**

Committee Chair Warren Doty offered that the joint meeting of selectmen is coming up. The date is October 14th at 5:00 pm. Jen Rand will post the agenda for the meeting. The Tri-Town Ambulance agenda items will include changing the MOU to allow select board appointees to serve on TTA Committee and changing funding formula. Cindy Mitchell offered that she would be willing to

chair the Joint Board of Selectmen Meeting. Chief Retmier will have language prepared of what the MOU may look like.

Chief Retmier provided a recap on funding formula four with revision of applying the formula to the revenue as well as the budget.

- **New Business**

- **TTA Chief report**

- **Three Month Review**

Chief Retmier shared that from 7/5/2021 thru 10/5/2021 Tri-Town Ambulance had a total of 144 incidents. For this same period in 2019, there were 152 incidents.

From 1/1/2021 thru 10/5/2021 there were a total of 302 incidents. For the same time period in 2019 Tri-Town Ambulance had 321 incidents.

Five Year Review:

2020 302

2019 321

2018 308

2017 352

2016 320

- **Covid 19 Update**

- **Stipend Increase for EMT's**

Chief Retmier asked the Committee to increase the day shift in the off season to \$225.00 and the night shift to \$200.00 year-round. In the prior budget cycle TTA was asked to stagger the increase.

Committee Chair Warren Doty shared that the Committee is ready to move forward and implement these stipend amounts for the next fiscal year.

- **Discussion - Move 30-hour paramedic to 40 hours**

Chief Retmier asked the Committee to consider moving the 30 hour per week paramedic position to 40 hours per week. Chief Retmier would like to have this in his budget for fiscal year 2023.

One of the reasons for this is for retention. The Committee approves of this change.

- **Comstar**

Allison Graczykowski shared that collections continue to go well.

- **Next Meeting Date**

November 3, 2021

- **Adjournment**

Committee Chair Warren Doty motioned to adjourn the meeting at 12:47 pm and Committee Member Jim Newman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Prepared by: _____

Allison Graczykowski Administrative Assistant

