

**South Royalton Rescue Advisory Board  
October 3, 2018 Special Meeting Minutes  
Royalton Town Office**

APPROVED: 11/07/18

**Attendance**

Members: Jerry Barcelow, Brenda Field, Carol Flint, Mary Gavin, Thomas Hoyt, Corinne Ingraham, David Kimball, Gidget Lyman, and Nathan Potter.

Visitors: Administrator Steve Belmont and EMT Tim Packard.

**Call to Order and Vote the Agenda**

Chair Jerry Barcelow called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m., and distributed a suggested agenda at the meeting.

Changes: Jerry requested to add Nathan Potter to the agenda to report on Lifeline and fundraising for the ambulance.

MOTION: Mary Gavin made a motion to approve the agenda with changes. David Kimball seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Public Comments**

No comments.

**1) New Vehicle Update**

Nathan Potter reported that Lifeline would give \$7,500 for trade-in value for our current ambulance. He recommended to keep it instead of trading it in. Discussion followed.

MOTION: Mary made a motion to trade A1 as part of the purchase of the new ambulance. There was no second.

MOTION: David Kimball made a motion to not trade A1. Brenda Field seconded the motion, and the motion was passed with one member opposed.

The AB authorized Nathan to go ahead with the purchase after it is confirmed that it fits in the bay. Nathan noted that a new ambulance could arrive within 120 days. The purchase has been approved with the Prudential Committee. The Finance Committee will begin loan applications immediately.

**2) Fundraising for the New Ambulance**

Jerry Barcelow asked that everyone think about fundraising and bring ideas to the next meeting.

**3) How Shall David Barker Proceed Towards Getting Grant funding?**

David Barker was unable to attend the meeting, so Steve reported that there is an upcoming deadline that David is trying to meet. This grant is for equipment. Steve will work with David to locate grant monies to support any equipment needs, such as power stretchers or lift.

#### **4) How Shall we Respond to the Tunbridge Selectboard?**

Brenda Field summarized the contract issue. Steve noted that the office received a phone call invitation to attend the next Tunbridge Selectboard meeting on Tuesday, October 9, at 6:30 p.m. Brenda invited all AB members to attend. Brenda suggested that a letter be written stating that the AB request is to move the line back to the original contracted map which was signed by all involved. The letter should also state that we are willing to work with all parties to provide the best care possible for all residents. David Kimball and Brenda Field will draft the letter and will distribute it for suggestions. Dave will also meet with Judy Tucker.

#### **5) Shall We Consider a Collection Agency?**

Jerry began a conversation by asking for feedback on whether or not the AB wants to consider a collection agency. Mary Gavin suggested the Finance Committee work on a suggestion to present to the AB.

#### **Other Business:**

Brenda reported that Steve has met all fire chiefs from Royalton, Sharon, and Tunbridge. He also has scheduled meetings with Royalton, Sharon, and Tunbridge selectboards. Mary invited Steve to come to the October 15 Sharon Selectboard meeting.

#### **Meeting Adjourned**

There being no further business to come before the board, Mary Gavin made a motion to end the October 3 special meeting. Thomas Hoyt seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously. The meeting ended at 6:12 p.m. The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, October 10, at 5:30 p.m., at the Royalton Town Offices.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol K. Flint, Clerk  
Town of Sharon Representative