

South Royalton Rescue Squad Advisory Board

June 26, 2019

In Attendance:

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

Staff & Visitors: Administrator Steven Belmont, Deputy Administrator Becky Owens, Bookkeeper/Office Manager Victoria Paquin

Call to Order & Vote the Agenda:

Chair Jerry Barcelow called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. Steven requested additions to the agenda to include ambulance insurance information and reducing ambulance subscription costs. On a motion made by Mary Gavin and seconded by Carol Flint the agenda was approved with no dissent.

Public Comments:

There were no public comments this evening

Vote the Minutes - May 22, 2019

On a motion made by Mary and seconded by Brenda the minutes from the May 22, 2019 meeting were approved with no dissent.

Administrators Report:

1. Overtime Report: Steve reports overtime of 16.5 hours and 6.5 hours for the last two weeks respectively. There were call-outs both weeks.
2. Driver Training: VLCT is going to cover the costs of driver training for the new ambulance. The training includes an online portion and on-the-road training. All employees will need to complete this training before driving the new ambulance
3. Power Load Grant: Steve has applied for a grant from VLCT to help cover the cost of the power load system. The total available grant is \$3,000.
4. Power Load Cost: The power load was ordered from Specialty Vehicles which saved \$1,300 as compared to ordering directly from Stryker.
5. Prouty: SRRS will be stationed on the South Royalton Green to provide aid if necessary during the Prouty race.
6. Employee Injury: David Barker injured his knee while on a call. He has since been approved to return to work.
7. Transport Decision: Steve and others met with Doctor White at Gifford Medical Center to discuss patient preference and treatment options when determining which hospital a patient should be transported to. Dr. White agreed that patient preference and injury type should be taken into consideration when determining which hospital a patient should be transported to.
8. Home Care: Steve met with representatives from Gifford regarding the home care pilot project. The meeting went well and Steve is hopeful that they will begin seeing patients in the coming weeks.

9. Rubber Duck Race: Steve relayed to the board that he was having some difficulty securing a sponsor for the duck race prize. The Advisory Committee generously made individual donations to support this fundraiser.

Financial Report:

Victoria reports that May and YTD financial reports look good, and we are ahead of budget. The funds for the new ambulance have been secured and the loan should be closed this week which will provide the rest of the funding.

New Ambulance Celebration:

It was decided that the new ambulance will be brought to the Thursday Night Concert on July 18th and a small celebration will be had.

Plan For Old Ambulance:

Much discussion was had regarding what should be done with the old ambulance. The current thought is that it may not be worth the expense of keeping the old ambulance. The board asked Steve to research the value of the ambulance should we decide to sell it.

Building Committee Report:

The building committee reports that the Deerfield Station that they visited was much larger than the station that they are envisioning for SRRS. The building committee is going to request a meeting with the Royalton Selectboard to discuss a possible site of a new rescue squad building. David Kimball will have a general building design and cost to share with the rest of the board by the next meeting

Adjourn:

A motion to adjourn was made by Mary at 6:22 pm and seconded by Thomas. The next meeting of the advisory board is Wednesday, July 24th at 5:30pm at the town offices.

Respectfully submitted,
Victoria Paquin