

# **Emergency Services Board**

## **Wednesday, August 11, 2021**

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order at 7:02 PM

### **2. ROLL CALL**

#### **Members present**

Shawn Davidson, Emergency Medical Services Chief & Secretary of ESB

Stephen Walker, Director of Emergency Services

Gary Bell, Chair of Emergency Services Board

C P Miedzinski, County Fire Chief

Hattie Norris, Vice-Chair Emergency Services Board

Dr. Dan Geary, Jurisdictional Medical Director

#### **Members not present**

J.A. Nelson, President St. Mary's County Fire Board Association

### **3. PRESENTATION**

#### **A. Review & Approve Minutes**

I move to accept the minutes from the June 9, 2021, meeting as presented.

Motion by Shawn Davidson, second by Hattie Norris.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Shawn Davidson, Stephen Walker, Gary Bell, C P Miedzinski, Hattie Norris,

### **4. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

There were no Committee Reports

### **5. OLD BUSINESS**

#### **A. CAD Replacement**

Steve Walker gave an update on the CAD replacement advising that they were still working through the procurement process and the demos are completed. The reviews are in, and the next step is to look at the financial bids.

#### **B. EMS Supplemental Staffing**

Steve Walker gave an update on the EMS supplemental staffing. The budget was approved for the funding of 16 full-time EMTs and 4 full time paramedics, who have all be hired. The Commissioners approved, at their last meeting, to pull within the ranks and promote 4 employees to the position of Supervisor and that has been done.

### **C. Harris Radio System**

Steve Walker gave an update on the Harris Radio System and advised the main system is working well.

### **D. Emergency Services Report**

Steve Walker gave an update on Emergency Services Report. A reminder was given to the board of the three-year review for the bylaws which needs to be addressed at October's regular meeting.

### **E. LOSAP**

Steve Walker gave an update on the LOSAP. The suggestions for the points to be added and adjustments due to COVID were approved by the Commissioners. The additional suggestions and recommendations that were made by Shawn Davidson are going to LOSAP Steering Committee later this month.

### **F. Cadet Program**

Kelly Bell gave an update on the Cadet program. The program will be partnering with the College of Southern Maryland to provide the EMT instruction and Fire I will begin when the students return from winter break in January.

## **6. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. Scholarship**

I move to approve the Secretary of ESB to review the FY22 scholarship applications and make recommendation to the Department of Emergency Services after August 31, 2021, to ensure timely release of scholarship to applicants and come back with information for the ESB at the next meeting and to move forward with making a recommendation to the Commissioners of St. Mary's County for approval.

Motion by Stephen Walker, second by C P Miedzinski.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Shawn Davidson, Stephen Walker, Gary Bell, C P Miedzinski, Hattie Norris

I make a motion we give \$127.55 to each individual that has been previously registered for FY21.

Motion by C P Miedzinski, second by Hattie Norris.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Shawn Davidson, Stephen Walker, Gary Bell, C P Miedzinski, Hattie Norris

### **B. RSA Representative**

Shawn Davidson gave an update on the vacancy position on the Board left when Carol Boehm stepped down from the Chairman of Rescue Squad Association. Ken Hicks, who has moved into the position will now be occupying the seat on the Board.

## **7. BOARD MEMBER**

- Shawn Davidson spoke about the media coverage about that pertains to the interaction of MedStar St. Mary's Hospital Emergency Room and the EMS system.
- Shawn Davidson also reminded that St. Mary's County Health Department continues to offer COVID testing and vaccines.
- C P Miedzinski advised that the Hollywood Volunteer Fire Department will be having their annual carnival next week.

## **8. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments

## **9. ADJOURN**

### **A. Adjourn**

I move to adjourn the meeting at 19:47.

Motion by C P Miedzinski, second by Hattie Norris.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Shawn Davidson, Stephen Walker, Gary Bell, C P Miedzinski, Hattie Norris

Darlene Mund Recorder

Minutes approved by St. Mary's County Emergency Services Board on October 13, 2021.