Wayland Area EMS Board of Directors Meeting September11, 2024

Meeting called to order at 7:05PM

Present: **City of Wayland**: Mike DeWeerd, Joe Kramer **Dorr Township: Hopkins Township**: **Leighton Township**: Steve Deer **Martin Township: Monterey Township**: Henry Reinart, Lois Commons **Orangeville Township: Watson Township**: Kevin Travis, Michelle Harris **Wayland Township:** Sue Kamyszek **Yankee Springs**: Rob Heethius

-Motion by Jim Pitsch, second by Michelle Harris to approve July 10, 2024 meeting minutes, all aye, motion approved.

-Motion by Sue Kamyszek, second by Kevin Travis to approve minutes of closed meeting July 10, 2024, all aye, motion passed.

-Insurance agent Chris Arendshorst was present to give an update on our insurance position. MTPP is dropping WAEMS at renewal. Another company will be our only choice, premium will go up. Chris suggested options to save money. The premium will almost double at our Sept, 20 renewal. Motion by Henry Reinart, second by Kevin Travis to accept proposal given by Chris tonight for insurance. All aye, motion passed.

-Managers report-discussion on deer guards for the units for protection. Financials-motion by Henry Reinart, second by Rob Heethuis to approve, all aye, motion passed.

--Brenda updated the Board on the status of the non-transport fee. Medicare will not pay anything when we do not transport. All non-transports must be billed at the same rate due to being the same billing code. We will charge $550.00 for Residents and $650.00 for non-residents, start Sept. 1, 2024.

-Personnel issues-Cassie Kooistra has been hired as full time medic. She will fill Basic hours and be moved to Medic hours as needed. Cassie will also help in the office when Kathy is riding with Nicole for probation.

-Joe Kramer noted that the City of Wayland will be interviewing 4 candidates for City Manager at the end of September.

-Brenda and Kathy have completed the probationary period. Motion by Henry Reinart, second by Joe Kramer to have probationary period noted as complete, all aye, motion passed.

-Motion to adjourn by Rob Heethuis, second by Michelle Harris, all aye, motion passed , adjourned at 8:09PM.

Submitted by Mike DeWeerd, Board Secretary