

TOWN OF MARENGO

Ambulance Minutes

Wednesday, January 11, 2023

Chairman Stephen Walston called the ambulance meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call was taken present were Chairman Stephen Walston, Supervisor Bruce Joanis, Supervisor Jeff Oliphant, Treasurer Diane Eid, Clerk Kimberly Campy, Lance Ritola, Director Marengo Ambulance and Kurt Blakeman, Assistant Director Marengo Ambulance, Nancy Swanson, Jennifer, Stevens Shirley Long. Also, present were Town residents several attending via Zoom.

Motion by **Walston** and second by **Joanis** to approve the agenda as presented. Vote taken and motion carried.

Discussed was held on the department needing more volunteers for the ambulance and Kurt stating that training will still be offered for anyone that is interested. Chairman Walston discussed separating the Town accounts from the ambulance accounts. Assistant Director Blakeman stated that he would prefer to leave it as is. However, he questioned if they could get access to QuickBooks. Clerk Campy stated she would give him, and Kurt access and they could run reports, review the checkbook and see whatever they wanted. Kurt and Lance both agreed this would work great.

Next both directors discussed the need to increase wages, possibly for callouts and transfers. Motion by **Joanis** and second by **Oliphant** to increase callouts to \$100 and transfers to \$200 effective immediately. Vote taken and motion carried.

Service Award Program

This program will reward the retention of long-term volunteers. Criteria is set by the ambulance department. State will match Township contributions up to \$450/year

Motion by **Walston**, second by **Joanis** to proceed with WI Service Award Program. Town will contribute maximum dollar amount, which the State will double each year. Criteria will be set by Director and Assistant Director of Ambulance Department. Vote taken and motion carried.

Jennifer Stevens gave a brief presentation on several grants. One(1) being a grant for a new ambulance hall. Jennifer stated that there are a lot of requirements and property is needed to build. She will forward this information to Kurt and Lance for 2024.

Motion by Motion by **Walston** and second by **Joanis** to adjourn. Vote taken and motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.