



Adam Robarge, CCTP Deputy EMS Chief

Ambulance Commission Meeting Minutes: July 28, 2025

Date/Location of Meeting: July 28, 2025, Public Safety Building

Members in Attendance: Kerwin Greeno, Richard Yarrington, Joyce Stenklyft, Rick Murray,

and Jeff Cram

Members Absent: Brede Sorenson and Sandra Vierck

Others Present: Public Safety Director Tim Adler, Deputy EMS Chief Adam Robarge, and

Public Safety Administrative Assistant Christi Anderson

Meeting called to order at 5:01 PM

- <u>Approve Minutes</u>: Motion made by Kerwin Greeno, second by Joyce Stenklyft to approve the **April 24, 2025**, meeting minutes. Motion carried.
- Persons Desiring to be Heard: None.
- Director's Report:
 - Staffing
 - We are down one full-time employee.
 - Possible three internal candidates for the third full-time position.
 - We have adequate staffing for part-time employees.
 - Building Update
 - Project update was given.
 - Overhead door issues were resolved at the end of July.
 - There are no outstanding issues needing to be resolved.
 - Vehicle Update
 - Unit 267 is still in the painting process.
 - Everest's main painter left the company causing an extreme delay.
 - We are looking for Unit 267 to be completed hopefully in late August early September.
 - Normal basic wear and tear, and regular maintenance.
 - Unit 266 is heading out at the end of 2025 for its remount process.
 - o Monthly statistics and invoices presented for May 2025.
 - See Attached Director's Report.
 - Deputy Chief Robarge and Public Safety Administrative Assistant Anderson continue to work on the GEMT – Medicaid supplemental



- reimbursement program. They are working through some issues on the program's end.
- We will soon be starting the budget process.
- Motion made by Richard Yarrington, second by Rick Murray to approve the Director's Report. Motion carried.

• Discussion regarding 2026 Per-capitia rate.

- O Next meeting in August is our annual meeting to propose the per-capitia rate.
- A recommendation from the Public Safety Director Adler is to leave it at \$20.00 for next year.
- o Commission members discussed, had pros and cons regarding the recommendation.
- o If the commission agrees on no increase, they want to be sure the Villages, Townships and City are aware there may be increases in the coming years.
- One recommendation was to have a smaller increase each year.

• Discussion regarding Deputy EMS Chief's wage.

- O Public Safety Director Adler wanted to make the Commission aware that Deputy EMS Chief Robarge is at the same pay grade and step as the Union employees.
- Results in Deputy EMS Chief Robarge making less than the full-time higher end paramedics.
- o Union negotiations are coming up and will likely make this worse.

• Adjournment:

Motion made Joyce Stenklyft, second by Rick Murray to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:02 PM

Minutes Taken By: Public Safety Administrative Assistant Christi Anderson Minutes Typed By: Public Safety Administrative Assistant Christi Anderson

Respectfully Submitted

Public Safety Director Tim Adler