



GT METRO EMERGENCY SERVICES AUTHORITY

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July 28, 2015

The regular meeting of the Grand Traverse Metro Emergency Services Authority was called to order at 9:02 a.m. by Chairperson Beth Friend at 897 Parsons Road, Traverse City, MI.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - recited

Roll call – 6 members, a quorum

Chuck Korn, Garfield

Glen Lile, East Bay

Jay Zollinger, Acme

Bob Featherstone, Garfield

Beth Friend, East Bay

Paul Scott, Acme

ATTENDANCE:

Pat Parker, Chief

Terry Flynn, Asst. Chief/OPS

Brian Belcher, Asst. Chief-Fire Marshal/FP

Mark Shaul, Captain

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Move Reports to follow Old Business. **Motion** by Featherstone, supported by Zollinger, to approve the agenda as changed. All ayes. Motion carried.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: **Motion** by Zollinger, supported by Featherstone, to approve the June 23, 2015 minutes and July 7, 2015 special minutes as emailed. All ayes. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Financial report as presented.

CLAIMS: **Motion** by Korn, supported by Scott, to approve the prepaids in the amount of \$75,321.57 (check #11857-11896 – with no voided checks) and the regular claims in the amount of \$79,139.15 (check #11897-11967 – with no voided checks). Roll call: Lile, yes; Zollinger, yes; Korn, yes; Scott, yes; Featherstone, yes; Friend, yes. All ayes. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: See the article on pros and cons of millage increase for Elmwood Township.

See the email dated July 22, 2015, from Representative Dan Benishek on H.R. 30, the “Save American Workers Act.” This legislation would change the definition of full-time employment back to 40 hours of service per week. Under the Affordable Care Act, this definition of full-time employment had been changed to 30 hours of service per week.



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OLD BUSINESS:

Station 8 - Status: Zollinger and Parker are checking out two other pieces of land for the proposed fire station. See the Record-Eagle article dated 7/18/15.

Owner Rep Discussion for Building Station 8: Discussion. Parker to bring back timeframe and RFQ for the August meeting.

Cost Recovery – Insurance Payments: See the Emergency Services Charges Ordinance and the two letters that are currently being sent to our residents and non-residents from Fire Recovery. Discussion. Metro Attorney Haider reviewed the Ordinance and recommended we continue status quo.

ESCI Report: Parker reported on the ESCI report. He said the report had two components: Mutual Aid Cost and Billing Analysis and Emergency Medical Services Delivery Analysis. (See report from ESCI).

Mutual Aid Cost and Billing Analysis: Discussion. The Board said to keep on file and address when it becomes a problem. The Board would like Metro staff to do an analysis of each level of incident type using Metro's current rates and what it would be with ESCI's hourly rates.

Emergency Medical Services Delivery Analysis: Parker reported that this report combined all of Northflight's data for all three townships and East Bay's data (see Figure 15 on Page 9). He said we should combine the data from the two ESCI's reports and make a decision to get in the ambulance business or stay out. Discussion. The Board would like the Metro staff to do an analysis from the two ESCI reports including the revenue side and make a recommendation by the end of the year.

Approve 2016 Budget – Pending Townships Approval: Discussion. **Motion** by Scott, supported by Featherstone to approve a 2.4 budget as proposed and the Townships can use the graph on page 3 of the budget for their funding mechanism. Roll call: Zollinger, yes; Korn, yes; Scott, yes; Featherstone, yes; Lile, yes; Friend, yes. All ayes. Motion carried.

R E P O R T S

CHIEF: See Chief Report

ASST. CHIEF/OPS-TRAINING: See Asst. Chief/OPS Report.

ASST. CHIEF/FIRE MARSHAL: See Asst. Chief/Fire Marshal and Fire Prevention Bureau Report.



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NEW BUSINESS: None

ANY SUGGESTED AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

There being no objections, the meeting was declared adjourned by Chairperson Beth Friend at 11:30 a.m.

Chairperson Beth Friend

Assistant Secretary Marcia Schwind