

On August 12, 2009 the Rogers City Area Ambulance Authority Board meeting was called to order, by Chairman James Zakshesky, at 7:31 p.m. in the Presque Isle County Courthouse Courtroom. Roll call was taken with the following present:

Bearinger Township	Patricia Augustine	Ocqueoc Township	Jerry Counterman
Belknap Township	Absent	Posen Township	James Zakshesky
Bismarck Township	John Kleiber	Pulawski Township	Martha Roznowski
Krakov Township	Absent	Rogers City	Deb Greene
Metz Township	Louis Urban	Rogers Township	Absent
Krakov Township	Gary Klein	Allied EMS Rep.	Debra Meert
Guest - Allied	Jim Fleury	Allied EMS Rep.	Jim Wynn
Allied EMS Rep.	George Korthauer	Allied EMS Rep.	John Smith

A motion was made by Deb Greene and seconded by Pat Augustine to accept the minutes as written. All in favor and the motion carried.

The treasurer's report was presented. A motion was made by Deb Greene and seconded by Pat Augustine to accept the treasurer's report as presented. All were in favor and the motion carried.

There was no public comment or old business.

The first business was the introduction, by Debra Meert, of Board members/representatives present from Allied. This included Jim Wynn, John Smith and George Korthauer. They announced that Dave Slifka resigned June 15, 2009 and is no longer with Allied. They are limited with what they can tell, however, they did say there was not money problems and nothing bad. They also stated they are seeking a new Emmett County Manager/Supervisor position and qualified applicants are down to four. They stated there is no need for us to have concern and should not notice the change. They would like to expand the service to help the outlying areas. They ask if there were any questions. The only comment made was by Jim Zakshesky stating he received some phone calls from board members stating they heard Allied was in turmoil. The Allied board members present also stated if there is anything we need or they can do we are to let them know.

Debra continued with the Allied report. She stated the fancy graphs are missing but she will be working on them. The June expenses are on target and the YTD is down from expected. The vehicle expense is high for this report because of tire purchase and an EGR problem on the 2003 truck. The YTD revenue us down \$12,000. from expected. Mileage has been added to the reports and is the number below the vehicle title.

Allied has received an offer to purchase power cots. A hydrolic system raises and lowers the cot. The cot is heavier by 14 lbs., not loaded, but Striker guarantees a 50% reduction in back injury. By purchasing in quantity, Allied can get a better rate. The total cost for 3 cots would be \$30,709.08. The monthly payment of \$639.77 would be for 48 months. Deb Greene stated one back injury would be way over this cost. A motion was made by Deb Greene and seconded by Pat Augustine to purchase 3 power cots. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Deb stated she talked with the mechanic and he said if we want to purchase the 2009 chasse we need to act quickly to get the same kind we have. The four wheel drive has to be in a truck chasse. The van style type 3 chasse is going away. There is no access in truck cabs, Jim Fluery stated he doesn't see this as a problem. He does see a possible space problem with the news one in the garage because they will be 28 inches longer. Deb will go back and ask if maintenance could get us a quote as waiting until Oct may be a problem Deb Greene ask how the trucks hold the road and would they last us a long time. It would be primary in winter and 3rd truck in summer. If price is comparable the four wheel drive could be an area for concern. The county quits plowing after 5:00 and side roads are not done quickly. Also, they is an issue with unplowed driveways. Jim Fleury stated vans do ok if they have very good tires, otherwise,

they get stuck as it glazes over. These trucks are not full time 4 wheel and the hub must be locked in. The four wheel drive was not as important in the past but with county cuts the need to drive in poor conditions is far greater. Jim Fluery stated to meet our 3 year cycle we would be buying a new vehicle next year and would like to see us do it now if possible. It may cost us \$124,000. To \$126,000.00 next year. A motion was made by Louis Urban and seconded by Gary Klein to appoint a committee of 3 members to include Jerry Counterman, Pat Augustine, and Jim Zakshesky to review and approve the purchase of a new vehicle. All were in favor and the motion carried.

A motion was made by Deb Greene and seconded by John Kleiber to accept the Allied report. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Jim Fleury stated the lights in the ambulance garage are going out and new ones will cost a little over \$500.00. They will be the high efficiency ones and are on back order. This cost will be run through maintenance and repair.

There is a bill for \$75.00 from Mr. Vogler for a letter drafted to Johnson and Schulze. There is a bill due September 16th to Lappan for insurance in the amount of \$2,042.00. There is a question about what the coverage is. Some understood it is for liability and others said it is building insurance. Burns and Eustice is a company representing governmental entities. It was suggested we have them give us a quote. However, because of the time factor we will get it done for next year. A motion was made by Pat Augustine and seconded by Louis Urban to pay the presented bills. All in favor and the motion carried.

Allan Berg sent a copy of the reconciliation report, based on the treasurers report. After review a motion was made by John Kleiber and seconded by Gary Klein to approve the report as presented.

The millage for the upcoming year was discussed. A motion was made by Jerry Counterman and seconded by Louis Urban to set the millage at .75. All were in favor and the motion passed.

A motion was made by Gary Klein and seconded by Jerry Counterman to adjourn. All in favor and the meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.. The next meeting is scheduled for October 14, 2009.

Submitted by,
Martha Roznowski, Secretary
Rogers City Area Ambulance Authority