



CITY OF GARDINER FIRE & RESCUE DEPARTMENT



Chief Alfred R. Nelson Jr.

Ambulance Advisory Board

Agenda

April 8, 2019

Roll call:

Members Present (Name and town represented):

James Pierce- Gardiner
Nicholas Kimball- Randolph
Jim Grant- Farmingdale
Sean Ramage-
Rusty Greenleaf- Gardiner
Earle McCormick- West Gardiner
Joshua Johnson- Pittston
Jason Farris- Pittston
Pat Saucier- West Gardiner
Tara Miley- GFD
Al Nelson- GFD
Christine Landes- City of Gardiner
Denise Brown- City of Gardiner

Consideration of August 13, 2018 meeting minutes:

Motion to accept: Sean Ramage Second: Rusty Greenleaf Vote: In favor: All Opposed:
None

Old Business:

Update on progress to replace Rescue 2: Looked at Union's new ambulance and like it. RFP has been put out. Current powerlift will be swapped to new truck. RFP Deadline is May 3rd.

New business:

Present FY20 budget: Reduction due to call volume increase and now Richmond is in 3rd year and we have a more accurate 3-year average for call volume. Revenue projections increased by \$100K, Capital Improvement savings by paying down rescues.

Workers Comp increased by \$28K

Dispatch fee increased by \$21K

Salaries increased by \$20K per contract

Richmond is getting first year of uncollectables

Small increase in training for medic school for Cody.

Bowdoinham reached out to see if we could take them on. Not feasible at this time due to staffing and truck needs. Would require staffing a truck in Richmond/Bowdoinham area.

Jim Grant advised there is a town ordinance that requires they solicit for services every year. They will be doing so for their town meeting in June. He does not expect any changes.

Chief Nelson has spoken to Richmond about their uncollectables. Their base rate went down like all other communities.

There will be no significant changes made to budget at this point.

Federal SAFER grant is off table at this time.

We are currently staffed at 5 per shift, 4 minimum. Due to 2 long term injured employees, we have not seen the reduction to OT yet, but once we are fully staffed again we should see a significant reduction to OT hours.

Dispatch is under contract for 2 years.

Motion to adjourn: Sean Ramage Seconded: James Pierce

Vote: In favor: All Opposed: None

Meeting adjourned: 6:30PM