

*All requests requiring committee approval are due to Sr. Financial Analyst's Office by noon on the Tuesday before the Budget Committee Meeting.

Blount County Emergency Medical Services Board

July 26, 2017 at 12:00 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

Board Members Present:

Sheriff James Berrong
Commissioner Mike Caylor
Commissioner Tom Stinnett
Lance Coleman
Chief Tony Crisp

Don Stallions, Chairman
Don Heinemann
Chief David Carswell
Chief Roger Robinson

Board Members Absent:

Commissioner Ron French
Commissioner Brad Bowers
Chief Doug McClanahan

Others Present:

Jonathan Rogers of Rural Metro

Call to order by Don Stallions, Chairman.

Discussion of AMR & Rural/Metro performance and interaction with other emergency services:

Don Heinemann stated there is less ambulance traffic. Jonathan Rogers explained AMRs call volume has reduced by 10%. Tom Stinnett noted past issues with billing. Jonathan Rogers explained the issues had been addressed.

Update on contract compliance:

Don Stallions explained AMR was to provide third party compliance software, as well as integration between their CAD and the Blount County 911 Emergency Communications Center CAD to allow direct communication. Stallions explained that he expressed his past disappointment in AMR's progress with implanting these programs and that they were heavily fined as a result, but that they have taken steps to improve. Stallions explained how the First Watch program operates, and how fines are generated from it. Stallions indicated that AMR's CAD integration with Spillman has yet to be accomplished. Jonathan Rodgers expressed concern in regard to integrating with Spillman and Intergraph and suggested the board postpone the integration of the two CAD systems. Chairman Don Stallions advised the board of the following options regarding the CAD integration:

- 1) Wait for backup server install
- 2) Integrate Intergraph and Spillman now
- 3) Use AMRs CAD System in Blount County
- 4) Make no recommendation

Commissioner Mike Caylor made a motion to request AMR implement their in-house CAD system into Blount County. Sheriff Berrong seconded the motion. Voice vote was taken and the motion passed.

Discussion and possible actions concerning funds resulting from fines:

Don Stallions recommended purchasing ten (10) AEDs for County use. Stallions proposed using the remaining balance of \$65,025.94 to evenly divide among the agencies, giving each agency \$6,502.59. After discussion regarding the proposal, a motion was made by Commissioner Stinnett to pass the proposal and Sheriff Berrong seconded. The motion was passed unanimously by voice vote.

Don Heinemann commented that BMH was ranked number one in the state for least amount of time between first patient contact and open vessel for cardiac patients. He credited the hospital's partnership with AMR as a critical part of this achievement. Don Stallions commented that AMR has been in compliance with averaging 90% of their calls being on scene within 10 minutes.

Setting of Quarterly Meetings: October 25, 2017; January 24, 2018; April 25, 2018

No public input on agenda items.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:56 p.m.