



**ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY**  
**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**  
**ADVISORY BOARD**

November 25, 2014

Meeting was called to order at 1900 with Past Chair Richard McDougall in chair. Roll call taken and duly recorded. Corrections to the minutes of the previous meeting were made.

Members present: Tom Tomlins, Ken Gardner, Don Thompson, Ann Smith, Julie Sciorra, Phyllis McDougall, Dick McDougall, Brenton LaGrow, Ken Gardner, Craig Ballard, Mike LeCuyer

Members excused: Storm Cilley, Jeannie McClear, Julie Henry, Dan Parker, Carol Muench, Chris Adams

Members absent: Dr. Greg Healey, Ron Hance, Dan Parker

Guests: Tammy Sykes, Jim Barr

**Correspondence:** A letter of intent to join the SLC EMS Advisory Board and REMSCO was read from Mark Deavers.

**NCEMSPA** – Office asked that an invitation be sent to John Filangeri as to when the meeting dates will be.

**REMSCO** – No report as there has not been a meeting since this board's last meeting.

**Office of Emergency Services** – Mike LeCuyer gave this report.

1. Mike reported that PVRS has opted out as one of the county's departments that would transport any suspected Ebola patient.
2. Contracts have been mailed to the other departments.
3. Re: western New York snow disaster. EMS relief was being requested but individual departments would be responsible for funding its own expenses such as lodging, gas, food. In order for reimbursement. Per Craig Ballard, a request for EMS mutual aid has to be made by the DOH BEMS in order to get funding reimbursement.

**Air Methods** – Jim Barr asked about the refueling capabilities for the airplane at the Potsdam Airport. Ann replied there are facilities being built to accommodate for refueling as well as enlarging the hanger. As of right now, refueling is being done at either Ogdensburg or Massena airports.

**Unfinished Business** – 1. Re: CPH request for trauma center status. Tammy Sykes and Jim Barr for gave an update as to how things were preceding. At the upcoming December meeting, the trauma criteria will become activated which will follow the CDC trauma guidelines. The goal is by early 2015 to have a couple of classes as to how EMS will give a report on the condition of the patient.

**New Business** – 1. Re: CHMC meeting with area departments. Julie gave this report The objective of this meeting was to reach out the EMS providers and allow them to be aware of contacts at the hospital when issues occur. She also reported that SVA has contracted with Border Customs to respond when there is a request for taking people's temperature. The hospital will attempt to have quarterly meetings.

2. Sheriff Wells reported there have been no issues between EMS and the deputies.
3. Three members of the board need to be reappointed. They are Tom Tomlins, Wayne Love, and Brenton LaGrow. Motion was made by Ken Gardner, seconded by Craig Ballard to recommend all three be reappointed to the board. Motion carried.
4. Cindy Rockhill has left MMH ER. Tammy Mitchell will take over Cindy's position but will not place her on the EMS Board.
5. JCEMSCo – attempting to get all ALS ambulances to transmit 12-leads to the hospital. They have received approval to go ahead and get things started which includes getting a grant request completed.

The next monthly meeting will be at 7pm at the Office of Emergency Services on January 27, 2015.

Upon a motion made by Craig Ballard and seconded by Kevin Wells, meeting was adjourned at 2042 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald Thompson  
Secretary