



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

Minutes of the St. Lawrence County EMS Advisory Board Mtg.  
July 23, 2024

Meeting called to order by Chris Towler at 1800 hours.  
Roll Call taken and duly recorded.

Members present: Doug Bohl, Storm Cilley, Dr. Coates, Aaron Johnson, Jay Moore, TammySykes, Ann Smith, Donald Thompson, Chris Towler.

Members absent: Mike Abrunzo, Kevin Wells.

Members excused: Miranda Simpson.

Ex Officio Members present: Rita Curran, Richard Rusaw.

Guests present: Jenesse Watson, Colleen Gleesen, Doug Wildermouth

A motion was made to accept the minutes from the May 2024 meeting. Carried by voice vote.

A motion was made to accept the minutes from the March 2024 meeting. Carried by voice vote.

There was a discussion regarding the accuracy of the active roster. The consensus was that tonight's meeting would be to deal with that and the election of officers which is overdue.

A letter of resignation from James Barr was read. A motion to accept was made by Jay Moore, seconded by Don Thompson. Accepted by voice vote.

Letter of interest in joining the EMSAB have been received from Lynn Backus and Keegan Muldoney. A motion was made and seconded to send their names to the legislature for appointment. Lynn to fill the Clifton Fine Hospital seat, and Keegan to fill the law enforcement seat.

It was decided that Rita Curran would not be listed as an member of the EMSAB, but as a defacto member as the representative of the SLC legislature.

Nominations for offices were held. Each of the following were nominated, and elected by the membership.

Chair - Chris Towler  
Vice Chair - Jay Moore  
Secretary - Ann Smith

Old Business - None

New Business - There are several proposed changes to the Part 800 required equipment list which may prove quite expensive for some squads. The public comment session is now open, and everyone is encouraged to provide their input regarding the changes. Please keep the comments professional. Some of the changes include driver cameras and backup cameras for new vehicles. All vehicles must be fully secured when not in use. Of course there is no provision to aid organizations with funding for the new requirements.

There was a discussion regarding the establishment of a county ambulance service. It is still a work in progress with the committee contacting other counties for ideas of what will work best here. Storm Cilley suggested contacting Steuben County regarding their establishment of a service in the south, central part of the county. He also suggest contacting the new Ogdensburg City Manager, Fonda Chronis, as he played a major role in the establishment of Schuyler County's service.

Air Medical - Colleen Gleesen - No Report

Education and Training - Doug Wildermouth

There are 17 students enrolled in the summer EMT class

The Fall class is almost full with 29 enrolled excluding the college students. There are 12 possible college students.

16 students remain, and are finishing up the first Paramedic cohort with graduation expected in late August. The second cohort is scheduled to start in August. More are expected with a paid to learn initiative.

Clarkson is also offering CPR. ACLS. And PALS courses.

Free CMEs are scheduled through May, both virtual and online.

There is an education staff meeting on August 12 at 1830 hours.

Clarkson wishes to thank the county for their assistance in making the program successful.

Meeting was adjourned at 1930 hours.

The next meeting is September 24, 2024 at the County Office Building on 310.