



ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
ADVISORY BOARD

Agenda of the St. Lawrence County EMS Advisory Board Meeting
October 22, 2024

Called to Order at 1902.

Attendance: Doldo, Dominic (North Star Health Alliance), Curran, Rita, Twilliger, Katherine; Simpson, Miranda; Sykes, Tammy; Backus, Lynne; Streiff, Erin (SLC Public Health); Thompson, Don; Towler, Chris; Moore, Jay; Denner, Matt; Johnson, Aaron.

Motion to accept the minutes from the last meeting 1st: Simpson, 2nd: Thompson.

Correspondence – None Received

Presentation by North Star Health Alliance – See attached for presentation by Dominic Doldo. Presentation followed slides closely. Important notes: Not interested in 911, not planning on pulling employees from current system, hope to “home grow” own from the health system. Trying to provide consistent service for interfacility transfers and meet needs of the hospitals and their patients.

Responses to Q&A:

- Application for CON will NOT be a county wide CON, will list the addresses of their facilities as operating territory. Personally assured by D Doldo, may or may not include their rural health clinics.
- Short response time was due to REMAC meeting timeline. Timeline is now being pushed back a bit to file, hopefully within the next two weeks.
- At this point not planning on including the other area hospitals in the CON application, but is speaking with Rochester Regional management to possibly include those facilities.
- Planning on using EMT as driver with paramedic, but will pull from other staffing in the hospital if needed. Willing to use staffing agencies as needed.
- Hoping to strengthen EMS career path through hospital based EMS.
- May send transports double BLS with RN if needed.

Emergency Services Report (M Denner): No report at this time, email will be sent with stats.

SEMSCO - Vital signs held this weekend. J Moore awarded NYS RN of Excellence.

REMSCO/REMAC – Meeting was cancelled, next will be held in November.

Air Medical – Massena (EOB Wednesday) and GH helipads offline.

Hospital Update – Clifton Fine Rural 10/15 now rural emergency health facility.

Education Update: (D Wildermuth via email) Not too much to report from our local education institution EXCEPT that we will probably be having 7 paramedic students take their NYS exam around Thanksgiving time. Very exciting times!

Committee Reports

- Personnel (Submitted by A Smith): Three new members are working through the legislature's process. Should be approved this month. Otherwise: Christopher Velez- recommend removal- has not attended the last five meetings. Micheal Abrunzo- Request intentions has not attended any meetings Nicholas Wildley - Request intentions has not attended the last three meetings A Johnson – Will not be seeking reappointment at end of this term.
- Executive (C Towler): Will likely have a draft of the updated county mutual aid plan for EMSAB comment out for discussion at the next meeting.
- Legislative (Bohl, Coates): No report at this time.
- Communications (Thompson, Towler) – No report at this time.

Erin Strieff introduced self as new Public Health Director.

Old Business:

- County EMS Plan – Curran
- Action on North Star CON application. J Moore: (2nd T Sykes) Motion to endorse the CON Application with an operating territory to include, by address, all county health care facilities with the intent to primarily provide interfacility transports

New Business:

- Clifton Fine CEO will be setting up presentation to this board at the next meeting.
- Removal of C Velez (Simpson, Moore)

Next meeting: November 26 at 1800, Canton Human Services Building

Motion to Adjourn: J Moore 1930