

Ambulance Service Board

Your Local Fire Departments

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Large Participating Local Governments (2017- 2020)

Spokane Valley Fire Department

Fire District #8

Fire District #9

Airway Heights

(Five PLG voting members needed for a quorum)

Other Participating Local Governments

Fire District #5

Medical Lake Fire Department

Small Participating Local Governments (2018 - 2020)

Cheney Fire Department – Tom Jenkins – ASB Chair

Fire District #3

Fire District #4

Fire District #10

Fire District #11

Fire District #13

ASB Meeting Minutes Wednesday, December 11, 2019

1330 – 1530

SVFD Administration Building (2nd Floor Conference Room)

Present

Tom Jenkins, Cody Rohrbach, Mike Charter, Mitch Metzger, Tim Loncon (FD3), Ken Johnson, Darren Brierher, Paul Priest and Patty Ruggiero

Tony Nielsen, Gino Palomino, Cody Rohrbach and Greg Anderson attended via Skype.

Called to order at 1330.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Approval of the ASB Meeting Minutes from October 9, 2019

Motion to Approve: Mike Charter

2nd Motion: Cody Rohrbach

AYE-approved

Agenda

New Business

- Tom Jenkins asked AMR about a recent article in Yakima Times about extended EMS transport delays due to ambulances being out of position due to inter-facility transports. Paul Priest explained Yakima area does not have an ambulance contract, so the performance criteria as established in the Spokane County contract do not apply there and that our contract eliminates this possibility. There are separate ambulances for emergency transport and for inter-facility transport for Spokane County.
- Discussion about recent multi-car pile-up on I90 on the West Plains and the associated challenges for ambulance transport. The biggest observed issue was access for resources and movement of those resources leaving the scene to transport destinations. Take-away for the groups was to consider incident progression and proactively plan for these challenges.

Old Business

- Return of PLG Personnel from Hospitals
 - 4 votes to except and 0 no's; Tom didn't think that was enough
 - Tom reminded that FF's should be the ones speaking with Dispatch.
 - Mike Charter received a notice ceasing Spokane Cab around the 1st of the year; we'll need to circle back to discuss the return process.
 - Paul Priest said they will make the returns until we discuss this further; he reminded everyone that there is a difference between ER entrance and ambulance entrance.

- RX Cost Increase
 - Paul said they will explore bulk orders to level costs for the County
 - Cody Rohrback said they have to bulk order; he wants to order in different quantities; appreciate Paul working with them on this.
 - Ken Johnson said WSU is doing research on Narcan; they believe it can last up to 100 years; he put them in touch with the State Patrol and they got some from them. They want to test our expired Narcan due to being exposed to different temperatures in back of apparatus or ambulances. If anyone has expired Narcan, Airway Heights can deliver it to WSU. Ken Johnson and Mitch Metzger said they will deliver the expired Narcan.

- Welcome Chief Tim Loncon
 - Tom Jenkins formally welcomed Chief Tim Loncon, who was previously with SFD. He is now a Division Chief at SCFD3.

Round Table - Open Forum

AMR – Paul Priest

- We appreciate the support of this group.

Airway Heights – Mitch Metzger

- Nothing

Cheney – Tom Jenkins

- It's been a great year. Happy Holidays to everyone!

District 3 – Cody Rohrback

- Looking at hiring Paramedics; no firm time lines; recruitment going out next week for FF/Paramedics.

District 4 – Gino Palomino

- Nothing

District 8 – Tony Nielsen

- We need to review the 2020 Budget.

Action Item:

Mike Charter will have the 2020 Budget ready for our next meeting.

District 9 – Greg Anderson

- Nothing

District 10 – Ken Johnson

- There is an EPI nasal spray coming out; need to get approval through the County.

SVFD – Mike Charter

- Nothing

Motion to Adjourn: Cody Rohrbach

2nd Motion: Mike Charter

AYE-approved

Adjournment 1430

Next Meeting

Wednesday, February 12, 2020, 13:30 – 15:30

SVFD Administration Building (2nd Floor Conference Room) or by Skype