



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

**Minutes of the St. Lawrence County EMS Advisory Board  
January 28, 2020**

Meeting called to order at 1900 hrs. by Chair Mark Deavers, roll call taken and duly recorded

**Members Present:** Phyllis McDougall, Nicholas Wildey, Carol Muench, James Blackburn, Christopher Velez, Aaron Johnson, Kevin Wells, R. Strom Cilley, Dr. Ryan Coates, Julianne Sciorra, Mark Deavers, Jay Moore

**Members Excused:** Rita Curran, Richard McDougall, James Barr

**Members Absent:** Tammy Sykes, Chelsea Snyder-Dennis, Don Thompson, James Barr

**Guests:** Doug Bohl, Christopher Towler

**Correspondence:** None

**Office of Emergency Management**

- **Stats Reported- See attached**
- Communication towers should be completed by June – Hammond, Gouverneur, Waddington.
- Looking for a medical director for our EMD program
- Mutual aid plan for county is still being worked on, will be sending out maps to departments for their approval and input.
- Radio system being revamped over the next two years, this will hopefully allow the assignment of operations channels once complete.
- Course wish list will be sent out to the county, discussion doing a survey to see what academic needs are out there and sharing it with County.

**REMAC/REMSCO:**

- REMAC/REMSCO is Monday night in Watertown, it is an open meeting and we encourage participation in the meetings
- Reviewed state EMS minutes- See attached
- Reviewed State EMS workforce report- See attached

**Air Medical-** No Report

**Upcoming Training:**

- Leadership conference 1/31-2/1/2020
- Guilfoyle ambulance training day March 14<sup>th</sup>
- Spring Fling will be the last weekend in April

- PHTLS Course Offerings are being worked on
- Difficult Airway in February will be looking at doing BLS and ALS offerings
- Vital Signs will be in Saratoga this year the end of October 29<sup>th</sup> through November 1<sup>st</sup>.
- IAC will be in May
- Region is looking to do ACLS and PALS for the cost of book and cards

#### **Committee Reports:**

- Executive- no report
- Communications- no report
- Legislative: Direct insurance reimbursement bill out there, Mark will send out other legislation that is in the works
- Personnel – Discussion on membership and attendance, Ann Smith has not attended last 3 meetings, she has been excused, by-law read. Mallory Buckley's spot is open, Dave Sherman's spot is open. We have not seen a representation from Clifton-Fine or Massena Memorial -Joyce Dalton will have to investigate whether she renewed her position. Can send letter out to hospitals again if needed and I will reach out to Joyce Dalton.
- Dispatch Committee- Jonathan took an EMD class and they are looking at updating things, they may start using EMD identifier, they will still give you all the other information that they do. They will also be looking at adding priorities. Working on updating mutual aid plan

#### **Old Business:**

- Next Leadership meeting will be next month
- Fire rehab will be coming considering recent events and this will be pushed through from a risk management standpoint. If you are not doing rehab and someone gets hurt, the county will not pay the bill- proposed draft handed out.

**Motion made by Jay Moore to approve the rehab plan as a recommendation to all departments, Seconded by Kevin Wells. Motion passed.**

- Any other old business- none stated

#### **New Business:**

- Nominations committee needed- After much begging, Carol Muench and Ann Smith will work on this
- Samaritan Medical Center is now a primary stroke center, discussion on FAST-ED to recognize Large Vessels Occlusions, utilization of medical control, ensuring you can document FAST-ED, educations will be coming
- Discussion on Hospital Hub for hospitals to receive PCR's, EMS will no longer need to fax their PCR's to hospital once this is up and running, agencies should leave a run sheet of some type.
- If you are not doing internal CQI, make sure you are doing it. The state is looking at data and timely completion of paperwork is important.
- Other new business

Next meeting March 24<sup>th</sup>, elections to be held

**Motion to adjourn by Kevin Wells, Seconded by all, All in favor  
Meeting adjourned at 2005**