

MASSENA RESCUE SQUAD
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING
OCTOBER 12, 2021

The regular meeting of the Board of Managers was held at the Town Hall and called to order at 6:16pm by President Roger Bennett.

Board Members Present: Roger Bennett, Debra Willer, Greg Fregoe, Sue Beaulieu. Nancy Fregoe was excused.

Town Board Liaisons Present: Sue Bellor. Robert Elsner was absent.

Massena Rescue Squad Representatives Present: Wayne Love, Ben Miller

Public: Adrian Taraska, Massena Mayor Tim Ahlfeld

Minutes of the September 14, 2021 meeting: Motion to approve the minutes made by Sue Beaulieu and seconded by Greg Fregoe. No issues raised. Motion carried 4-0.

REPORTS

Bills: All bills were submitted to the Town. In September 2021, bills paid by the Town totaled \$40,927.60. There were no questions on the bills

Hours of Service: During the month of September 2021, the volunteers donated 864 hours of service to the Rescue Squad, for a value of \$20,822.40.

Call Summary: Transported calls for the month of September 2021 included 29 for Advanced Life Support and 115 for Basic Life Support. There were 41 calls that did not require transport. Total calls for the month were 185. Year to date, total calls for ALS/BLS are 1227. Transported calls are down by 4 compared to September 2020. See attachment.

Calls Transported to other Hospitals: In September 2021, 20 calls were transported to Canton-Potsdam Hospital (10.9% of total calls). Wayne noted that there is still a problem of extended wait times at CPH and that the NYS Dept of Health is aware and tracking this issue. Ben is seeing a significant increase in the number of transports to CPH so far in October.

Crew Size: There are currently 18 volunteers regularly covering shifts; this allows them to maintain a 5 day rotation.

2022 Budget: Budget is slated for review by the Town Council on October 20, 2021.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Debra asked about the call numbers reported for August (noted at September board meeting to be unusually low). Wayne stated that the August report is incomplete, that there were 30-40 charts not finished by an E5 employee who is now out on sick leave. Wayne is working with this person to get the charts completed and sent for billing.

Wayne and Ben gave updates regarding the status of 2 issues the board referred for explanation/details. (Specifics of these issues is protected information under privacy regulations.)

Ben reported that there are 3 members currently in EMT classes. Member recruitment continues.

Mayor Tim Ahfeld asked if there were any questions that the Board would like to ask related to the ongoing discussions/process of moving the rescue squad from Town supervision to Village supervision. Summary of information exchanged is as follows:

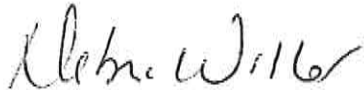
- The Village does not intend to file for its own CON for the ambulance service.
- The target date for conversion is still slated for 12/31/2021. It is realized that this is an aggressive schedule and depends on the cooperation of a number of entities. Attorneys from both the Village and Town will be meeting next week. Representatives from MVEU will meet with the Mayor to review how the current Village contract with the Fire Dept is set-up.
- Village is in the process of setting up a portal with the bank to handle the resource recovery funds.
- Understanding that third party reimbursement for EMS services can sometimes take 2-3 months, the Village is "comfortable with a 3 month slide" when the conversion takes effect. The Village will not be receiving any of the money from the Town's resource recovery account.
- E5 (paid EMS service) has met with the Village and MVEU to discuss contract.
- The Village plans to pursue replacing the ambulance as planned for by this board and will be setting up a 3 year plan to deal with all aging equipment. The Village has been compiling an inventory of all current rescue squad equipment.
- The Town currently holds the bond for the rescue squad building (8 years left) and holds the lease on an ambulance (2 years left); the plan is for the Town to maintain both of these contracts and the Village will reimburse the Town for the payments.
- The mayor offered that when he took over on May 1, 2021, he asked the Village dept heads what they wanted to accomplish. Aaron Hardy (Fire Dept) stated that they wanted to work on the relationship between the fire dept and the rescue squad to see how they could assist each other. A meeting with the Town Supervisor was quickly set up and the supervisor offered the possibility of completely moving the supervision of the rescue squad from the Town to the Village.
- The board asked what other public relations activity was planned to make sure the citizens fully understand what this conversion is about (board members have received concerns from town residents that a village entity might not cover the whole town). The mayor stated that there is nothing specifically planned beyond the press release already issued. This board believes that keeping the taxpayers up to date is very important.

PO's and Bills: Purchase orders and bills received by MVEU for the month of September were reviewed and signed by Roger and Debra and forwarded to the Town.

With no further business, a motion was made by Debra and seconded by Sue Beaulieu to adjourn the meeting. There was no discussion. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm.

The next regular meeting of the board will be Tuesday, November 9, 2021 at 6pm at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Debra Willer". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the text "Respectfully submitted,".

Debra Willer

Secretary, Massena Rescue Squad Board of Managers

Town Payments for SEPTEMBER 2021

Fund	Date	Vendor	Description	Cost \$
401	7/1/2021	VERIZON WIRELESS		\$248.42
401	8/23/2021	VERIZON WIRELESS		\$247.56
401	8/26/2021	MASSENA ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT		\$9.22
401	9/8/2021	LIBERTY UTILITIES		\$29.73
404	9/14/2021	FULLER INSURANCE AGENCY		\$4,950.00
407	8/3/2021	RT 11 TRUCK & EQUIPMENT	A216 - Tow, AC repair & Oil change	\$3,768.57
412	8/1/2021	BC CLEANING & RESTOR		\$149.43
412	8/31/2021	JOHNSTON'S H2O ZONE, LLC		\$5.95
412	8/31/2021	W B MASON CO., INC.	BROOM, DUSTER, MOP HEAD, FACE MASKS, COFFEE, WASH BRUSH, VEHICLE WASH	\$338.49
412	9/1/2021	TRANE U.S. INC.	Service Agreement	\$2,011.00
413	8/26/2021	GREAT AMERICA FINANCIAL SERVICES	GlideScope Monthly Payment	\$609.48
413	8/31/2021	EMERGENCY MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC		\$3,700.01
413	9/8/2021	HAUN WELDING SUPPLY		\$307.13
414	9/7/2021	FIRST BANK	MARINE 15 FUEL	\$217.77
418	8/31/2021	GALLS	11 Pair EMS Pants	\$724.90
420	9/1/2021	E5 SUPORT SERVICES, LLC	OCTOBER	\$19,702.69
421	8/31/2021	PROFESSIONAL AMBULANCE BILLING, LLC		\$3,465.00
421	8/31/2021	PROFESSIONAL AMBULANCE BILLING, LLC		\$109.50
424	8/31/2021	W B MASON CO., INC.	Ink, Black & PRINTER INKJT	\$332.75
				\$40,927.60

2021 Town Rescue Squad Budget

		2021	2021	2021	2021	%	%
		BUDGET	SEPTEMBER	YTD	BALANCE	AVAILABLE	SPENT
A.4540.400	RESCUE SQUAD						
A.4540.400.0401	COMMUNICATION & UTILITIES	\$24,400	\$534.93	\$10,575.06	\$13,824.94	57%	43%
A.4540.400.0403	CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	\$1,500	\$0.00	\$1,250.00	\$250.00	17%	83%
A.4540.400.0404	INSURANCE	\$25,000	\$4,950.00	\$16,875.08	\$8,124.92	32%	68%
A.4540.400.407	VEH REPAIRS & MAINT	\$18,000	\$3,768.57	\$39,617.89	(\$21,617.89)	-120%	220%
A.4540.400.0411	PHYSICAL & DRUG SCREENING	\$7,500	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,500.00	100%	0%
A.4540.400.0412	BUILDING MAINTENANCE	\$15,000	\$2,504.87	\$11,014.11	\$3,985.89	27%	73%
A.4540.400.0413	MEDICAL SUPPLIES	\$65,000	\$4,616.62	\$47,283.89	\$17,716.11	27%	73%
A.4540.400.0414	VEHICLE FUEL	\$10,000	\$217.77	\$5,630.26	\$4,369.74	44%	56%
A.4540.400.0415	PAGERS & RADIOS	\$5,000	\$0.00	\$1,260.46	\$3,739.54	75%	25%
A.4540.400.0416	TOOLS & EQUIPMENT	\$7,500	\$0.00	\$2,520.19	\$4,979.81	66%	34%
A.4540.400.0417	TRAINING & MILEAGE	\$15,000	\$0.00	\$5,598.37	\$9,401.63	63%	37%
A.4540.400.0418	UNIFORMS	\$7,000	\$724.90	\$1,149.20	\$5,850.80	84%	16%
A.4540.400.0419	DIVE TEAM	\$3,120	\$0.00	\$1,998.84	\$1,121.16	36%	64%
A.4540.400.0420	ADMIN EXPENSES (E5)	\$155,000	\$19,702.69	\$164,098.47	(\$9,098.47)	-6%	106%
A.4540.400.0421	ADMIN EXPENSES (PAB)	\$65,000	\$3,574.50	\$39,821.25	\$25,178.75	39%	61%
A.4540.400.0422	MISC EXPENSES	\$2,500	\$0.00	\$308.34	\$2,191.66	88%	12%
A.4540.400.0423	RECRUITMENT & RETENTION	\$2,500	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00	100%	0%
A.4540.400.0424	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$4,500	\$332.75	\$1,324.40	\$3,175.60	71%	29%
	TOTAL	\$433,520	\$40,927.60	\$350,325.81	\$83,194.19	19%	81%

2021 vs. 2020 Report on All Calls

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total	Total %
2020														
ALS Assist (Mutual Aid)													8	0.35%
Cancelled Enroute	6	3	4	1	5	3	3	4		2	3	1	35	1.52%
Dead at Scene	5		2	4	5	2	2	1	1	2	4	3	31	1.34%
No Patient Found	8	15	12	10	15	10	14	12	18	11	10	12	147	6.37%
Not Entered														0.00%
Patient Refused Care	18	23	18	17	22	26	25	20	23	13	33	13	251	10.88%
Standby Only	2	2	4	1	4	1	2	1	5		2	1	25	1.08%
Transport Air Medical Team Only	1	3	1	3	1	2	8	3	2	1	4	1	30	1.30%
Treated, Refused Transport	8	13	11	8	13	13	2	15	7	10	3	16	119	5.16%
Treated, Transferred Care						1			2	1			4	0.17%
Treated, Transported ALS	52	43	51	21	33	49	45	32	26	36	27	40	455	19.71%
Treated, Transported BLS	114	66	105	72	88	97	120	115	122	104	93	107	1203	52.12%
Total by Month	214	168	210	137	186	207	223	203	207	180	179	194	2308	100.00%
Total by Year		382	592	729	915	1122	1345	1548	1755	1935	2114	2308		
Total ALS-BLS by Month	166	109	156	93	121	146	165	147	148	140	120	147	1658	
Total ALS-BLS by Year		275	431	524	645	791	956	1103	1251	1391	1511	1658		
2021														
ALS Assist (Mutual Aid)	2			2			1						5	0.30%
Cancelled Enroute	2	3	6	5	4	2			2				24	1.43%
Dead at Scene	3		4	3	2	2		2	2				18	1.07%
No Patient Found	20	15	23	12	17	7	9	5	13				121	7.21%
Not Entered			1		1		1						3	0.18%
Patient Refused Care	19	22	35	15	22	20	13	7	13				166	9.89%
Standby Only	2	2	2	2	1	1	1		1				12	0.72%
Transport Air Medical Team Only	1	3	4	1	3	3	1	1	1				15	0.89%
Treated, Refused Transport	13	13	9	15	9	4	5	7	9				84	5.01%
Treated, Transferred Care			1			2	2						3	0.18%
Treated, Transported ALS	55	66	49	39	37	45	35	9	29				364	21.69%
Treated, Transported BLS	89	43	109	103	99	92	111	102	115				863	51.43%
Total by Month	206	167	243	197	192	176	179	133	185				1678	100.00%
Total by Year		373	616	813	1005	1181	1360	1493	1678					
Total ALS-BLS by Month	144	109	158	142	136	137	146	111	144				1227	
Total ALS-BLS by Year		253	411	553	689	826	972	1083	1227					
Diffence ALS - BLS for 2021 - 2020	-22	0	2	49	15	-9	-19	-36	-4					

Thanks to the members for donating 864 hours of service at a value to the Massena Rescue Squad of \$20,822.40. for the month of September 2021.