



Allegany County, Maryland

Emergency Services Board

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Board Members Present:

Chair: Shannon Adams ()
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Board Membership:

Career: Steve Grogg ()
Fire Service: Shannon Adams: ()
Fire Service Members at Large: Bobby Ritchie ()
EMS Committee: Vincent Pyle ()
EMS Member at Large: Scott Whetsell ()
ACDES: James Pyles ()

Alternate: Mike Salvadge ()
Alternate: Derek Crippen ()
Alternate: Eddie Collins ()
Alternate: Josh Burkett ()
Alternate: Pam Burkett ()
Alternate: Roger Bennett ()

6-7-22 Emergency Services Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 1800 hours.

Members Present:

Previous Meetings minutes read and accepted.

Membership: Shannon reported there was a vacant spot on the Region 1 EMS Council. The new member must be from fire, and EMS, and from Allegany County. There was a meeting held before the Emergency Services Board meeting and it was decided that they would ask Jennifer Drees if she was interested in the position. Also, under membership of the Fire Services Board, Acting Supervisor for the regions Fire Marshal's Office Ed Ernest will now be on the board and is taking the place of Jason Mowbray who has been promoted to Chief Deputy Chief.

Committee Reports:

Fire Service Committee: Bobby Ritchie reported that several standards are being revised and worked on to be presented soon. Also, box cards need to be completed and the email with instructions and blanks cards has been sent. The committee also decided to not do pumps testing again this year and only do the dry prime test.

EMS Committee: There was a discussion after the last meeting in April about dissolving the EMS sub-committee due to lack of participation. However, many EMS departments were not aware of this discussion. The Emergency Services Board is going to meet with the EMS committee and discuss the situation.

Safety Committee: Bobby Ritchie advised the safety officer program was up and running. Also, the safety committee has been consolidated with the standards committee.

ACDES: Chief Salvage reported that protocol updates need to be completed. Also, mandatory stroke training will be forthcoming which is required by UPMC to keep their stroke center designation.

Communications: Brian reported the Motorola phone project is complete. MSP now has the same console setup as dispatch. In July law enforcement will meet with the CAD vendor to add their codes to the new CAD. There is a projected date of October 2022 for the new CAD to go online. Phil Via reminded not to put alkaline batteries in the pagers. If you need to know which batteries to buy, please contact Phil

Emergency Management : Reminder to spend 508 money before the end of the fiscal year. LEPC was postponed again due to conflicts. LEPC is looking to change their meeting date due to several conflicts with the second Tuesday of the month.

Special Operations: Derek reported the new box truck of the Collapse team is in service. The goal is to downsize the fleet and eliminate the trailers as much as possible. A similar unit is on order for the HAZMAT teams to consolidate those trailers as well. The safety officer program is in operation. Anyone interested in still applying can do so using the special operations application on the county website. Even if they do not have all the training, they can run with a safety officer to learn until they receive the training. The team is waiting to hear back from several grants for training.

FIT TESTING: Carrie reported they are still waiting on the second fit test machine to come back from calibration.

PUMP TESTING: The committee also decided to not do pumps testing again this year and only do the dry prime test.

MEMA: None

MIEMSS: Alex Kelly also reminded about the protocol updates that need completed by June 31. Pocket protocols are not available yet. The voluntary ambulance inspections will be in October.

MSFA: None

STANDARDS AND POLICIES: None

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Board Comments: None

Meeting adjourned.

Next Emergency Services Board Meeting to be Held on 8/9/2022 @1800 hours.

Special Thanks to Steve Adams for helping me in lieu of my vacation!