

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF THE
MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY SERVICES AUTHORITY
OF LANCASTER COUNTY**

November 8, 2023

A meeting of the Board of the MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY SERVICES AUTHORITY OF LANCASTER COUNTY (MESA) was held on Wednesday, November 8, 2023, at 6:00 PM in the Elizabethtown Borough Council Chambers, 600 South Hanover Street, Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania, 17022.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Debra Dupler.

Roll call: Debra Dupler, Justin Risser, J. Marc Hershey, Jeffrey Butler, Jeffrey Hudson and Roger Snyder were present. Also present was Jason Sabol, Authority Solicitor.

Ms. Dupler opened the meeting for public comment. None were heard.

The Board unanimously approved the minutes for the November 1, 2023 meeting of the Board by a motion made by Mr. Hudson and seconded by Mr. Hershey.

Revenue fee model – Mr. John Yoder reported that, to date, two written objections have been received. Objections were filed by a West Donegal Township resident and an East Donegal Township resident.

Northwest EMS Report – Mr. Scott Kingsboro, Executive Director of Northwest EMS provided the following information to the Board.

- Contacted Londonderry Fire Co. and offered \$50,000 for the used ambulance – no response yet
- NWEMS revalidation is complete for MCA
- Authorization for Veterans Affairs for Cornerstone is complete for billing
- New compliance recommendations will be out for Medicare in 2024/2025
- Mike Weaver (Lancaster Countywide Communications) was notified that following NWEMS Bboard approval, the lease for the Manheim station will be provided to them
- Pay outs for sick time from NWEMS will be approx. \$28,000 in February. PTO will vary but will know in a few weeks
- Rig #8 is cleaned out and Fesco will pick up next week for a rechassis
- USDA (2 loans) will be paid 12/11 approx. \$191,000

- 2 grants applied for (1) OSFC grant for portable radios (\$25,000) 10 radios and AFG grant for mobile radios (12) and 10 more portables
- AR 1.462 million this week, Medicare owes over \$303,000 (20.74%) Medicaid \$106,000 (7.25%)
- Banquet went well thank you to all that attended

Authority Solicitor report – final touches are being made to Mutual Aid Agreements and Billing Agreement. Work is also continuing on Authority bylaws.

Orphans court filing – The Board unanimously approved Resolution 2023-5 accepting the offer of Northwest Emergency Services, Inc. to transfer NWEMS assets/liabilities to MESA and accepting certain assets, both personal property and real property and liability of NWEMS to be transferred, conveyed and delivered to MESA in order to provide emergency medical services currently provided by NWEMS by a motion made by Mr. Hershey and seconded by Mr. Hudson.

Implementation manager report – Mr. Kingsboro provided the following information to the Board.

- Emailed Jason Kauffman with Scenic Ridge to push the garage project then reached out to Deb to get a Mount Joy Twp thoughts on a stormwater issue where the building might be placed.
- Rig #4 (MESA) was inspected on 11/2 and passed we will get license once a medical director is picked and form is filled out
- Cornerstone is waiting for the DBA to be complete for Medicare and the license. At this point nothing can be done with Medicare until 60 days out still good on timeline
- Met with Scott Buchle on Tuesday: Life Lion is interested in a joint billing agreement and reciprocal membership. Also left me know Conewago Twp reached out to Life Lion at Hershey about coverage.
- Suggested using the standard joint billing agreement to get that process done and use the 50/50 split
- Talked to Bob May about joint billing and they will still be doing joint billing (LEMSA) with Medicare only
- Setting up a meeting with Phil (White Rudy) how payroll will be handled in January and February
- Went over benefit emails and suggested a few changes.
- NWEMS meeting on 11/14 will be presented the new foundation By-laws, Resolution for Orphans Court and the LCWC lease.

On a motion of Mr. Hershey, seconded by Mr. Hudson, the Board unanimously agreed to join Elizabeth Township's Application to Withdraw from the Joint Municipal Authority.

Appointment of Medical Director – It was reported that there were meetings with two Medical Director candidates. Action should be taken at a following meeting of the Board.

Mr. Hershey reported that a meeting with Diversified Technology is scheduled to discuss billing and payment services. Although located in Bloomsburg, there is an intent to have a local address for bill payment.

The next regular meeting of the Board is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, November 15, 2023, beginning at 6:00 P.M.

A motion was made by Mr. Risser and seconded by Mr. Hudson, to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 P.M. All members present voted in favor of the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey L. Butler (Secretary)