

## TRINIDAD AMBULANCE DISTRICT

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## SPECIAL MEETING OF THE TRINIDAD AMBULANCE DISTRICT **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

DATE: December 9, 2015

Present: Rick Johnson, Joseph Martinez, George Dasko and Kathy Bueno via teleconference.

Other Guests: Dan Moynihan, EMS Chief

Dan Bates, Assistant EMS Chief

Dave Bacharach, EMS Director of Education

Barbara Fisk, Executive Assistant Doddridge "Dodge" Shelby, Attorney

Matthew Moreno, Board Director Candidate

**SUBJECT** 

## **DISCUSSION**

Call to Order/Pledge

Meeting was called to order at 4:35pm by Rick Johnson. Pledge of Allegiance

was performed.

Roll Call/Proof of Quorum

There was a quorum. Rick Johnson, Joseph Martinez and George Dasko and

Kathy Bueno via teleconference.

Proof of Notice

Notices were posted at the Trinidad Ambulance District Office, City of Trinidad, Trinidad Police Department and the Chronicle News. The Agenda was posted at

the Trinidad Ambulance District Office at 939 Robinson Avenue.

Approval of Minutes

There were no amendments to the October 22, 2015 minutes

Motion to approve the minutes for the October 22, 2015 board meeting was made by George Dasko and seconded by Joseph Martinez. The motion was approved

unanimously.

**Public Comments** 

None

Board Member Selection/

Installation

As noted in the October 22, 2015 Board Meeting minutes, Dan Moynihan read an email from Denise Clark resigning her position on the Board of Directors for the

Trinidad Ambulance District.

A letter of intent was submitted by Matthew Moreno expressing his desire to serve

on the Board.

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Motion to accept Matthew Moreno's request to fill the vacated Board position was made by George Dasko and seconded by Joseph Martinez. The motion was approved unanimously by all seated Board members.

Matthew Moreno then read and signed the official Oath of Office and was welcomed to the Trinidad Ambulance District Board of Directors.

Financial / Billing Report

Bernadette Cappellucci of Century Financial Group submitted the monthly financial report along with a written statement that the financials appear to be consistent with the normal month to month income and expenditures with nothing out of the ordinary. Also stated in her letter, "One important note I would like to add is that upon examination of 2015 budget figures year to date versus actual numbers shown in the financials, in my professional opinion, Trinidad Ambulance District has demonstrated remarkable financial management of its budget more so than any other Special District I have worked with."

Dan Moynihan mentioned that TAD is back up to \$4 million in the bank. The EMS crews are all doing a fantastic job of completing their paperwork ensuring a quick turn around on receiving payment for services.

Dan Bates mentioned a recent conversation with Councilwoman Pat Fletcher who complimented TAD for their impeccable reputation.

Motion to accept the financial and billing report was made by Joseph Martinez and seconded by George Dasko. Motion passed unanimously including new board member Matthew Moreno.

Director's Report

Dan Moynihan provided all those present with a copy of an article from the Channel 13 KRDO website entitled "Tactical paramedics saved lives in Colorado Springs Planned Parenthood Shooting". He also mentioned a recent Milwaukee incident where tactical paramedics played a lifesaving role and the fact that Denver has provided tactical gear to paramedics. He then displayed a tactical vest for everyone to examine. Trinidad Ambulance District has recently purchased these vests for its ambulance crews and would like to purchase six more for the Trinidad Fire Department crews. The cost runs between \$200 and \$300 dollars dependent upon total amount purchased but will fall well below the spending authority of the Executive Director. All Board members present agreed the purchase was a good idea.

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Also discussed was the partnership with Trinidad State Junior College and other local emergency services in re-creating a Public Safety Training Center at TSJC. The only place in Southern Colorado where such a program is currently available is the TSJC campus in Alamosa. All present concurred on the importance of having such a facility at the Trinidad campus. The next update will be in January.

Trinidad Ambulance District was recently involved with the lifesaving attempt of two young drowning victims. Dan Bates showed the video from Channel 5 News where he and fellow paramedic Jack Langley were interviewed about the incident. It is clear that every member of TAD has been shaken by this tragedy but also just as clear that all of the training and preparation for such events paid off by giving the victims the best possible care.

Land Acquisition Review

TAD had been looking at several sites for a new facility i.e. Fraternal Order of Eagles Club at 204 Pine Street, the unused parcel behind the Justice Center and a vacant parcel adjacent to Holiday Inn. The property at 204 Pine Street is situated within a flood zone which is a hazard the ambulance district doesn't want to incur. Discussions continue with Las Animas County regarding the property behind the Justice Center with hope the county will offer to donate the property. Lois Johnson of Bank of the West has provided maps for the 5.1 acre parcel next to Holiday Inn. The asking price is \$525,000 which all parties agree is the high end appraisal. There is also a significant power line issue and no recorded easement. Bank of the West has offered to cover expenses to have the lines moved. It is agreed that more due diligence must occur before making a decision.

George Dasko wanted to know what the architectural plan for the building is so as to have a better idea of what type of property would be needed. Joseph Martinez stated the ambulance district has definitely outgrown its current facility. An update will be presented at the January board meeting.

Med 11 Donation

Dan Moynihan has recommended that the current Med 11, a 1997 Ford VIN number ending in 1630 amended at the January 28, 2016 meeting to read: a 2003 Ford VIN number ending in 94387, be donated to the Stonewall Fire Protection District for use in their ice rescue and dive rescue incidents and trainings. Rick Johnson stated that it is a good business practice.

Motion to donate Med 11 a 1997 Ford VIN number ending in 1630 to the Stonewall Fire Protection District was made by Kathy Bueno with Matthew Moreno seconding the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

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Adjounment for

Executive Session The meeting was adjourned for an Executive Session at 5:10pm with everyone

leaving the room except for Rick Johnson, George Dasko, Joseph Martinez, Matthew Moreno, Doddrige Shelby and Kathy Bueno whose participation

continued via teleconference. The agenda was to include Dan Moynihan's annual

review discussion. Executive Session was adjourned at 5:28pm.

Call to Order The Special Meeting was then continued at 5:28pm.

Next Meeting Date The next meeting date was set for Thursday, January 28, 2016 at 4:30pm

Adournment A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Joseph Martinez and seconded

by Matthew Moreno. The motion was carried by a unanimous vote. Meeting

adjourned at 5:30pm.

Minutes Approved by Trinidad Ambulance District Board.

Rick Johnson, Chair of the Board of Directors