## REGULAR MEETING OF THE TRINIDAD AMBULANCE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

\*Public Comments registration via ZOOM.us

DATE: August 24, 2022

Present :

Nick Mattorano

Floyd Duran, Jr.

Valerie Borsa (teleconference)

Clay Hart

Andres DeLeon

Other

Attendees:

Chief Gabriel Moreno, Deputy Chief David DeTray, Executive

Assistant Barbara Fisk

**SUBJECT** 

**DISCUSSION** 

Call to Order/Pledge

Meeting was called to order at 4:30pm by Nicholas Mattorano.

Roll Call/Proof of Quorum

There was a quorum with five (5) board members in attendance.

**Proof of Notice** 

Notice was posted on Trinidad Ambulance District's website (tadems.com) and business office at 939 Robinson Avenue. The notice included invitation information for attendance via ZOOM and asked the public to register on Zoom if they were interested in participating in the Public Comments section of the agenda.

**Public Comments** 

None

Meeting Minutes

There were no additions or corrections to the July 20, 2022 minutes as

presented.

Motion to approve the July 20, 2022 minutes as presented was

made by Floyd Duran.

Second: Clay Hart

Yea: Nick Mattorano, Floyd Duran, Valerie Borsa, Clay Hart,

Andres DeLeon Nay: None Abstain: None

**Pass:** The motion passed to approve the July 20, 2022 minutes as

presented.

Financial Report

Bernadette Cappellucci of Century Financial Group prepared the June 2022 financial report with the following statement: "The financials appear in line with the normal month to month income and expenditures. I see nothing out of the ordinary to report or anything concerning in any of the financial reporting for the month ending July 31, 2022."

Chief Gabriel Moreno pointed out the following information:

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- Cash On Hand \$2,708,100 down \$84,814 from last month due to the fact that there were 3 pay periods in July.
- Overall expenses are down \$106,815 from this time last year.
- July's net income was \$30,692.69
- Medical supplies shortage and increased prices are of continuing concern. Costs have increased 41% from this time in 2021 (\$43,275): currently, a little over 50% of budget (\$80,000).
- Fuel is up 51% from this time last year (\$44,651), over half the budgeted amount (\$70,000).

**Motion** to approve the July 2022 financial report as presented was made by Floyd Duran.

Second: Andres DeLeon

Yea: Nick Mattorano, Floyd Duran, Valerie Borsa, Clay Hart,

Andres DeLeon Nay: None Abstain: None

**Pass:** The July 2022 Financial Statement was approved as presented.

Director's Report

**Medical Director.** Dr. DeWall was here on August 18<sup>th</sup> providing inter-facility guideline training and to meet with Mt. San Rafael Hospital staff.

**Quick Med Claims.** The previous billing company, Quick Med Claims, has not yet surrendered all billing accounts to EMS Billing. QMC has presented two bills which remain unpaid as Dan Moynihan presented questions which remain unanswered. A Preservation of Records request was submitted to QMC via certified mail. Mr. Downs received an email from their attorney yesterday to meet and resolve concerns.

**EMS/MC Billing Company.** We are still participating in weekly teleconferences with representatives from EMS. Everything seems to be running smoothly.

USDA Loan. Earlier this afternoon County Commissioner Tony Haas, USDA Director Armando Valdez, Representative Jennifer Garcia, PIO Amy Mund, EMS Chief Moreno, Deputy Chief DeTray, PIR Coordinator Junie Verquer, Paramedics Kolakowski, Gladden, Song, EMTs Velasquez and Sartori, and Barbara Fisk, met at the soon-to-be new location of TAD at 13840 Hwy 350 for presentation of a plaque from the USDA announcing TAD's receipt of Community Facilities Direct Loan in the amount of \$3,207,000 for remodeling costs.

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Mt. San Rafael Hospital Injunction. The court dates for the injunction were July 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. The outcome of which is expected to be announced mid-September.

**Public Relations.** A multi-agency meeting was held August 22<sup>nd</sup> to go over roles for the Caveman Festival. As of that date, 1,400 tickets have been sold.

**Grant Updates.** Time constraints have made it difficult to research and submit applications. A grant writer has been contacted to provide a quote to pay for Tango Tango. Research has begun for body camera providers and a grant to fund. Chief Moreno and Deputy Chief DeTray met with the ProVision Body Worn Camera representative on August 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Training Opportunities.** TAD held a Stop The Bleed training exercise on August 3<sup>rd</sup> with Trinidad and Primero School District bus drivers. All Las Animas County Schools were invited to attend a multi-agency Stop The Bleed training that included scenarios August 15<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>, approximately 130 staff members attended.

Operations & Fleet Report

Deputy Chief David DeTray reported following run information for July 2022:

Requests for Service	230
Non-Transports	34
Transports	166
Non Emergent IFT	30
Emergent IFT	3
On Call-Medic 3	6 (5 were bear spray victims)
EMS 1	2
EMS 2	1

Vehicle maintenance is an ongoing struggle. It is proving difficult to get repairs done in a timely manner, even for warranty work. We've had to pay for two repairs that were under warranty because it would have been a month and a half for any shop to even look at the units. Deputy Chief DeTray is researching all possibilities including Chalmers Ford in Albuquerque. As of this date, there are 2, out of 5, units out of service.

Inter-Facility Transfer vehicle miles 7,826

There is no update on chassis availability for 1901 from Excellence. Multiple resources have been researched with no success. Unit 1501 will soon need a new chassis. Chief Moreno noted this is a national crisis that has been brought to the attention of the USDOT by many different agencies and organizations.

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## Miscellaneous

Per his contract, Dan Moynihan requested reimbursement for meals and lodging (Holiday Inn Express) expenses to attend the American Ambulance Association Conference and Trade Show (September 17-20). His contract states the District will budget and pay for reasonable expenses to attend professional development functions with prior approval of the Executive Director and/or Board of Directors for the District.

**Motion** to reimburse Dan Moynihan for meals and lodging at the Holiday Inn Express while attending the American Ambulance Association Conference September 17-20, 2022 was made by Clay Hart.

**Second:** Floyd Duran

Yea: Nick Mattorano, Floyd Duran, Valerie Borsa, Clay Hart,

Andres DeLeon Nay: None Abstain: None

**Pass:** The District will reimburse Dan Moynihan for meals and lodging at Holiday Inn Express while attending the American Ambulance Association Conference September 17-20, 2022.

Next Meeting Date

Due to scheduling conflicts, the next board meeting is scheduled

for September 28, 2022 at 4:30pm.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the Board of Directors

was made by Floyd Duran.

Second: Clay Hart

Yea: Floyd Duran, Nick Mattorano, Valerie Borsa, Clay Hart,

Andres DeLeon Nay: None Abstain: None

Pass: The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 4:59pm.

Minutes Approved by Trinidad Ambulance District Board of Directors September 28, 2022

Nicholas Mattorano, Chairperson

September 28, 2022

Date