

REGULAR MEETING OF THE TRINIDAD AMBULANCE
DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS
****Public Comments registration via ZOOM.us***

DATE: October 26, 2022

Present : Nick Mattorano
Floyd Duran, Jr.
Clay Hart

Other
Attendees: Chief Gabriel Moreno, Deputy Chief David DeTray, Executive
Assistant Barbara Fisk, Tom Murphy

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 three (3) 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 September 28, 2022 minutes as presented. Motion to approve the September 28, 2022 minutes as presented was made by Floyd Duran. Second: Clay Hart Yea: Nick Mattorano, Floyd Duran, Clay Hart Nay: None Abstain: None Pass: The motion passed to approve the September 28, 2022 minutes as presented.
Financial Report	Bernadette Cappellucci of Century Financial Group prepared the September 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 September 30, 2022." Chief Gabriel Moreno pointed out the following information: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cash On Hand \$2,901,103 up \$143,802 from previous month.

- Overall expenses are down \$166,568 from this time last year.
- Accounts Receivables as of September 30, 2022 are \$995,879.
- The same concerns continue from the past several months: medical supplies shortage and increased prices (\$60,122), fuel (\$56,854) is up 30% from this time last year, vehicle repair costs (\$16,594) are up 25% but vehicle maintenance (\$6,112) is down 34% from this time last year.

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

Second: Clay Hart

Yea: Nick Mattorano, Floyd Duran, Clay Hart

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Pass: The September 2022 Financial Statement was approved as presented.

Resolution to Adopt
2023 Budget

Moved to the Budget Hearing.

FAMLI Program

In order to participate in FMLA, an employer must have 50+ employees which the District does not have. A new program functioning in connection to FMLA is FAMLI and employers must either participate or opt out by January 1, 2023 or automatically be enrolled to participate.

Motion to approve opt out of FAMLI was made by Clay Hart.

Second: Floyd Duran

Yea: Nick Mattorano, Floyd Duran, Clay Hart

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Pass: The District voted to opt out of FAMLI.

Equipment Purchases

Ballistic Vests. A purchase order has been received from the State for the grant application submitted to purchase ballistic vests and remount VIN 9576 (#1501). Chief Moreno requested permission from the Board to purchase 23 ballistic vests for a total price of \$15,100 realizing that half the cost (\$7,526.75) will be reimbursed through grant funds.

Motion to approve the purchase of 23 ballistic vests for which grant money will reimburse \$7,526.75 was made by Floyd Duran.

Second: Clay

Yea: Nick Mattorano, Floyd Duran, Clay Hart

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Pass: The Board approved purchase of ballistic vests.

Cardiac Monitors. Chief Moreno requested approval of the board to use Medicaid rebate funds (\$190,000) to purchase five demonstration model Phillips Tempest Pro cardiac monitors. The monitors are ultrasound and video laryngoscope ready and have Corsium so that hospitals with similar program can live feed with crews in the field. The demonstration models are approximately \$50,000 less than new models. The plan would be to keep two of the old monitors for backups in the county units which are now obsolete. We could order mother boards for current monitors that are post end of life but the boards cost at least \$5,000.

Motion to approve the purchase of five Phillips Tempest Pro cardiac monitors using a portion of the Medicaid rebate funds was made by Floyd Duran.

Second: Clay Hart

Yea: Nick Mattorano, Floyd Duran, Clay Hart

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Pass: The Board approved purchase of cardiac monitors.

Clay Hart asked about availability of the chassis ordered in 2022 for VIN 7420. There is still no information as to when a '22 chassis will be available. The District, in the same grant as providing for the ballistic vests, has been granted matching funds of \$83,947.96 for a chassis to remount VIN 9576. A '23 chassis has been ordered for that remount as well.

Clay Hart also noted he is desperate for a monitor to be used during educational services at the hospital for ACLS and PALS. He wondered if the District would be willing to donate one of the old monitors once the new ones are operational. It was decided the District could temporarily loan one to MSRH. Once a dollar amount is known for a unit it will be determined if the board needs to vote on action.

Director's Report

Medical Director. Dr. DeWall was here October 20th to discuss his medical guidelines for the District.

Quick Med Claims. Conversations are ongoing regarding their billing practices.

USDA Loan. A walkthrough of the building was conducted with Doug Veltri and all subcontractors on October 10th. Russ Sedmark of SLAM, our architect, and Doug Veltri met at the site on October 18th. Slight changes have been made to the plans which SLAM will update as soon as possible. Then Mr. Veltri will be able to put together final numbers for budgeting. The USDA is awaiting a few documents and interm loan confirmation before beginning.

Mt. San Rafael Hospital Injunction. To date, no word has been forthcoming from the courts about the outcome of the injunction.

Public Relations. TAD crews and administration participated in the Homecoming Parade and the TSJC Job Fair in October.

Training/Education. Chief Moreno, Deputy Chief DeTray and Paramedic Kolakowski will be attending the State EMS Conference November 10-13.

Ambulance Inspections. Las Animas County Health Department representatives will be conducting ambulance inspections on November 1st.

Operations & Fleet
Report

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

Requests for Service	195
Trip Reports	208
Inter-Facility Transfers	34
On Call-Medic 3	10
On Call-Medic 4	3 calls/6 patients
EMS 1	2
EMS 2	1
Inter-Facility Transfer vehicle miles	7,715

At this time the District has two employees out due to injuries; one not work related, one work related. The schedule is still completely covered. A workshop recently attended revealed that we are one of the few agencies in the country that is fully staffed.

Miscellaneous

Floyd Duran voiced concern regarding the District's stance regarding Dan Moynihan's contract, specifically paying for trainings without board approval. It was clarified that the contract states the District will pay for all re-certifications and that training opportunities would need board approval. The discussion turned to the option of simply paying off the contract and sending notice of discontinuation now. The board was reminded that Mr. Moynihan began working with Quick Med Claims regarding their billing practices before he left so he is most knowledgeable on the topic and would be beneficial during discussions. It was noted that he hasn't been involved with the new building process since he left. The conclusion was to keep the contract current but remember to send a notice of termination within the timeline required so as not to engage a second year of services.

Trinidad Ambulance District
Regular Board Meeting
October 26, 2022

Next Meeting Date The next regular meeting and Budget Hearing is scheduled for
January 25, 2023 at 4:30pm.

Adjournment **Motion** to adjourn the regular meeting of the Board of Directors
was made by Clay Hart.
Second: Floyd Duran
Yea: Floyd Duran, Nick Mattorano, Clay Hart
Nay: None
Abstain: None
Pass: The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 5:01pm.

Minutes Approved by Trinidad Ambulance District Board of Directors January 25, 2023



Nicholas Mattorano, Chairperson

January 25, 2023
Date