## MONTHLY MEETING

## TRINIDAD AMBULANCE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS **OCTOBER 25, 2023**

Attendance: Nick Mattorano, Andres DeLeon, Joe Richards, Tom Murphy, Zachary Shapiro,

Executive Director Gabe Moreno, Deputy Chief David DeTray, Legal Counsel Les

Downs, Barbara Fisk

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## DISCUSSION

Call to Order/Pledge

Meeting was called to order at 4:30pm by Zakk Shapiro.

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 attending the meeting.

Adoption of Agenda

**MOTION** adopt the agenda a presented was made by Joe Richards.

SECOND: Zakk Shapiro

YEA: Nick Mattorano, Andres DeLeon, Joe Richards, Tom Murphy,

Zakk Shapiro

NAY:

ABSTAIN:

The motion to move Executive Session (line item 12) to line item 5 was

approved.

**Public Comments** 

None

Executive Session

**MOTION** to exit regular session and enter into Executive Session per C.R.S. §24-6-402(4)(b) to conference with attorney regarding TAHA vs TAD legal action was made by Zakk Shapiro.

SECOND: Nick Mattorano

YEA: Nick Mattorano, Andres DeLeon, Joe Richards, Tom Murphy,

Zakk Shapiro

NAY:

**ABSTAIN:** 

The Board will adjourn from regular session at 4:32pm with the following in attendance: Nick Mattorano, Andres DeLeon, Joe Richards, Tom Murphy, Zakk Shapiro, Legal Counsel Les Downs, Executive Director

Gabe Moreno, Deputy Chief David DeTray and Barbara Fisk

REGULAR SESSION RESUMED: 5:18pm Les Downs left the meeting.

**Review Minutes** 

**MOTION** to accept the minutes from September 27, 2023 as presented was made by Joe Richards.

SECOND: Zakk Shapiro

YEA: Nick Mattorano, Andres DeLeon, Joe Richards, Tom Murphy,

Zakk Shapiro

NAY: ABSTAIN:

The September 27, 2023 minutes were approved as presented.

Financial Statement

Bernadette Cappellucci of Century Financial Group prepared the financial report for September 2023 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 2023.

Chief Moreno pointed out the following information:

- Total Cash On Hand \$3,301,161 (up \$105,060 from August)
- Year To Date Net Income \$889,351
- Accounts Receivable \$2,727,805

Also noted were the following.

- Medical Supply expense down \$12,917 compared to this time last year.
- Fuel costs were down \$11,445 compared to this time last year.
- Vehicle repairs are down \$7,740 compared to this time last year.
- Vehicle maintenance is up \$9,302 compared to this time last year.

**MOTION** to accept the September 2023 financial statement as presented was made by Joe Richards.

**SECOND:** Zakk Shapiro

**YEA:** Nick Mattorano, Andres DeLeon, Joe Richards, Tom Murphy, Zakk Shapiro

NAY: ABSTAIN:

The September 2023 financial statement was approved.

Old Business

None

**New Business** 

Tom Murphy encouraged the Board to watch footage of the most recent City of Trinidad council meeting about mental health professionals riding along with the police department.

In preparation for applying for Community Paramedic licensing, TAD has conducted a Community Assessment with all areas of first response, including Health Solutions at the State level.

Director's Report

**Quick Med Claims (QMC) Update.** EMS/MC has been reviewing records provided by QMC. Met with QMC representatives in August. They made a very low offer of reimbursement for claims not filed in a timely manner. Provided a counter offer which was rejected. Preparing response. EMS/MC has collected \$4,282.25 (YTD) of old accounts receivable from QMC.

**USDA RD Loan / New Building Update.** Construction has begun and Veltri is hoping to start framing (inside) within the next few weeks.

Health Service District Update. The Community needs assessment was begun October 9 and 10. The report is pending. James Lucero, and both Mrs. Lucero and Costellano of MSRH were interviewed along with several other community representatives. A quarterly report was provided to the County Commissioner wherein Mr. Lopez asked if the District would donate the building at 939 Robinson Ave. to the county. It was explained that TAD will sell the building to offset the expense of the new facility remodeling project. He also asked why TAD isn't using an existing health service district license already in place. It was explained that our legal representatives didn't recommend that avenue.

**Equipment Update.** The trailer has officially been sold to the Sheriff's Department for use as a Search and Rescue Command Post. In December, 1501 will be transported for rechassis. Chairman Joe Richards noted that, as the County Emergency Manager, he has three satellite phones for first responder use.

**Miscellaneous Updates.** Medicaid Supplemental Reporting has begun, due before November 23<sup>rd</sup>. There will be a Smithsonian exhibit, Leaders, Legends and Heroes at the Commons at Space to Create.

**Operations Report** 

Deputy Chief DeTray noted the following statistics for the month of September 2023.

Calls for Service 204

Med 3 (On Call) 1 with transport Standby 1 RAD Bike Race

Inter-Facility Transfers 19
IFTs Unable to Service 2\*
Transport from MSRH to home 1
IFT Mileage 3,630
IFT Mileage Year to Date 50,457

**Employee Info.** The District has hired 4 part-time EMTs. Liz Romero has completed her Paramedic Internship and is scheduled to test for certification. Eric Bukovak is currently working through his internship. Deputy Chief DeTray has completed the Community Paramedic Prep Course.

**Fleet.** Three of five rigs are in service. The Spanish Peaks BonCarbo Fire Protection District (Exit 23) is allowing the District to store two ambulances, one pickup and trailer with UTV at their station until construction is complete at 13840 Hwy 350.

**MSRH.** Attending ER Trauma meeting which went well. The ER Director is in agreement with MSRH laundering our linens when we transport a patient to the ER and providing linens when we transport a patient from MSRH to another facility. I am working with First Net to obtain a cell booster in the ER to increase our coverage.

**Vehicles.** Currently 4 of the 5 rigs are in service.

**Conference.** Chief Moreno, EMT Jolly, Paramedics Romero and Stodghill, Barbara Fisk and myself will be attending the State EMS Conference in November. We will be conducting our annual review with EMS/MC at the conference.

Tom Murphy mentioned he has several boxes of local historical documents. He will donate those pertinent to the ambulance district.

Nick Mattorano noted that in years past the District has not held November nor December meetings due to the holidays which fall on or near the observed holidays. He asked the Board to consider continuing this practice in 2023.

**MOTION** that the Board of Directors forgo meeting in November and December, unless unexpected topics of importance occur, was made by Zakk Shapiro.

**SECOND:** Nik Mattorano

**YEA:** Nick Mattorano, Andres DeLeon, Joe Richards, Tom Murphy, Zakk Shapiro

NAY:

**ABSTAIN:** 

The Board will not meet in November nor December 2023 unless topics of importance requiring a meeting occur.

The next monthly meeting, including budget hearing, date will be January 24, 2024

Miscellaneous

Next Meeting

Adjourn

MOTION to adjourn was made by Zakk Shapiro

**SECOND:** Joe Richards

YEA: Nick Mattorano, Andres DeLeon, Joe Richards, Tom Murphy,

Zakk Shapiro

NAY:

**ABSTAIN:** 

Adjourned at 5:41pm

Minutes approved by Trinidad Ambulance District Board of Directors January 24, 2024.

Zachary Shapiro, Chairperson

Date