### **MONTHLY MEETING**

# TRINIDAD AMBULANCE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS June 26, 2024

Attendance

Joe Richards, Tom Murphy, Zachary Shapiro, Nick Mattorano

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

Downs, Lt. Elizabeth Romero, Barbara Fisk

| SUDIFCT                   | DISCUSSION  |
|---------------------------|---|
| <b>SUBJECT</b>            | DISCUSSION  |
| Call to Order/Pledge      | Meeting was called to order at 4:04pm by Zakk Shapiro.  |
| Roll Call/Proof of Quorum | There was a quorum with four (4) 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 to adopt the agenda as presented was made by Joe Richards. SECOND: Tom Murphy YEA: Nick Mattorano, Joe Richards, Tom Murphy, Zakk Shapiro NAY: ABSTAIN: The agenda has been approved as presented.   |
| Election of Board Offices | MOTION was made by Tom Murphy to keep the Board Officers as they currently exist; Zachary Shapiro, Chairperson, Nicholas Mattorano, Vice Chairperson and Joseph Richards, Secretary/Treasurer.  SECOND: Nick Mattorano YEA: Nick Mattorano, Joe Richards, Tom Murphy, Zakk Shapiro NAY: ABSTAIN: Board Officers will remain in office as Zachary Shapiro, Chairperson, Nicholas Mattorano, Vice Chairperson and Joseph Richards, Secretary/Treasurer. |
| Public Comments           | None  |
| Review Minutes            | MOTION to approve May 22 2024 meeting minutes as presented was  |

**Review Minutes** 

MOTION to approve May 22, 2024 meeting minutes as presented was

made by Joe Richards.

**SECOND:** Zachary Shapiro

YEA: Nick Mattorano, Joe Richards, Tom Murphy, Zakk Shapiro

NAY: ABSTAIN:

The May 22, 2024 minutes were approved as presented.

#### Financial Statement

Bernadette Cappellucci of Century Financial Group prepared the financial report for May 2024 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 May 31, 2024."

Chief Moreno pointed out the following information:

• Total Cash On Hand as of May 31, 2024 \$2,346,633 which is up \$69,326 from April 2024.

April 2024 \$2,277,307 down \$20,474 from March 2024 March 2024 \$2,297,781 down \$277,235 from February 2024 February 2024 \$2,575,016 up \$555,886 from January 2024 January 2024 \$2,019,130 up \$363,149 from December 2023

- May Net Income -\$26,648 as ambulance and cot system were paid but is illegible for grant reimbursement by half.
- YTD Net Income \$847,720
- Concerns
  - a. Fleet maintenance and repairs continue to be of concern. New ambulance #2302 will be picked up on Friday.

**MOTION** to accept the May 2024 financial statements as presented was made by Tom Murphy.

**SECOND:** Nick Mattorano

YEA: Nick Mattorano, Tom Murphy, Zakk Shapiro, Joe Richards

NAY: ABSTAIN:

The May 2024 financial statement was approved as presented.

**Executive Session** 

**MOTION** to adjourn into Executive Session per C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b) to conference with attorney for the purpose of receiving legal advice pertaining to TAHA vs TAD litigation/appeal was made by Joe Richards.

**SECOND:** Tom Murphy

YEA: Nick Mattorano, Joe Richards, Tom Murphy, Zakk Shapiro

NAY:

**ABSTAIN:** 

The Board adjourned from Regular into Executive Session at 4:09PM

## The Board adjourned from Executive Session returning the Regular Session at 4:40PM

The following stated their names as participants in the Executive Session, Gabriel Moreno, Joe Richards, Les Downs, Tom Murphy, Nick Mattorano, Zachary Shapiro, Barbara Fisk and David DeTray.

Old Business

Community Integrated Health Care Service (CIHCS) License. The application has been approved. Awaiting scheduled "walk through" of facility and policies. This license will allow the District to provide Community Paramedicine without Board of County Commissioner approval.

**WSDM Accounting.** The District's accountant will change July 1<sup>st</sup> to WSDM out of Colorado Springs.

**Realtors for 939 Robinson Ave. Property.** Legal representative Lisa Mayers of Spencer Fane has been contacted to seek out a Real Estate Attorney the use of which will save the District realtor commission fees.

**New Business** 

New Accounts as Signers View Only for FNB iBank. In order for the new accountants to have real time review of bank accounts, it is asked that they be provided access as Signers-VIEW ONLY for FNB iBank. This way they will submit applications (2) to FNB providing their personal information and access via their own password so there is no sharing of passwords.

**MOTION** was made by Joe Richards to allow Signer VIEW ONLY access to FNB accounts to the new accountants.

**SECOND:** Tom Murphy

YEA: Nick Mattorano, Joe Richards, Tom Murphy, Zakk Shapiro

NAY: ABSTAIN:

Signer VIEW ONLY access is to be granted to the new accountants for FNB iBank.

**Resolutions regarding USDA Loan.** Barbara Fisk read into the minutes Resolution No. 24-0001 of Trinidad Ambulance District, Colorado, Establishing the "Trinidad Ambulance District Transportation Enterprise" Under the Provisions of Title 32, Article 1, Colorado Revised Statutes; and Repealing All Resolutions Or Other Acts In Conflict Herein.

**MOTION** was made by Tom Murphy to approve Resolution No. 24-0001 as read into the minutes thus establishing the Trinidad Ambulance District Transportation Enterprise.

SECOND: Zachary Shapiro

YEA: Nick Mattorano, Joe Richards, Tom Murphy, Zakk Shapiro

NAY:

**ABSTAIN:** 

Resolution 24-0001 establishing the Trinidad Ambulance District Transportation Enterprise was ratified.

Barbara Fisk read into the minutes Resolution No. 24-0002 of Trinidad Ambulance District Transportation Enterprise Authorizing the Issuance of the Enterprise's Revenue Bond in the Aggregate Principal Amount of \_\_\_\_; Providing for the Use of the Bond Proceeds to Pay the Costs of Providing for the Payment of Operation of the Enterprise's Transportation System, and Making Certain Covenants in Connection Therewith; Providing for the Form, Payment, and Other Details in Connection With the Bond; and Authorizing the Execution of Certain Agreements and Documents in Connection with the Bond.

**MOTION** was made by Joe Richards to approve Resolution No. 24-0002

as read into the minutes without a dollar amount noted with the intent of that amount to be calculated at the closing of the construction contract and assumption of the USDA RD loan.

SECOND: Zachary Shapiro

YEA: Nick Mattorano, Joe Richards, Tom Murphy, Zakk Shapiro

NAY: ABSTAIN:

Resolution 24-0002 establishing the Trinidad Ambulance District Transportation Enterprise's Revenue Bond was ratified.

Miscellaneous

Joe Richards voiced concern from someone else about Bernard Fisk being paid in conjunction with the construction project at 13840 Hwy 350. He asked Barbara Fisk to explain. She noted that the District was required by the USDA RD to provide a Resident Inspector for the duration of the project. The inspector was to be eyes and ears for the District during construction providing written documentation of the day to day activities on-site. The District reached out to many different individuals, including Mr. Fisk, all of whom turned down the offer. The project couldn't move forward until this role was filled. She explained that Mr. Fisk has not only built three homes but also worked for a commercial construction company in New York and retired his position as a Civil Engineer Technician with the City of Trinidad which worked directly with the Building Inspector and Public Works Director of the City. He was asked imploringly to fill the role as Resident Inspector at which time he accepted.

Director's Report

**EMS/MC.** Year to Date Net Collections for new accounts receivable is \$584,758 on top of \$9,360 from old (QMC) accounts.

**Quick Med Claims (QMC) Update.** Legal Counsel Les Downs awaiting a response from QMC's attorney.

**USDA RD Loan / New Building Update.** On June 24, 2024 a Certificate of Occupancy was provided to the District. It is anticipated to close out the interim-construction loan and move in by mid-July.

**1501 Remount Update.** New #2302 will be picked up this Friday and placed in service.

**Trauma Grant.** Review comments on the grant application for cardiac monitors were all very positive. Awards will be announced soon.

**CDPHE Complaint.** Chief Moreno has filed a complaint (June 18) with CDPHE regarding Physician Certification Statements received from MSRH.

### Miscellaneous Updates.

• Dr. Becker provided MAAM credentialing for all our Paramedics and we are back on the Southern Colorado RETAC Guidelines.

- Colonial Insurance may have an avenue for TAD to provide term life insurance to staff, if it fits within the budget.
- Staff was provided training on new station systems.
- Chief Moreno and an On Call crew attended the 110<sup>th</sup> Annual Ludlow Memorial Anniversary.

### Operations Report

Deputy Chief DeTray provided the following statistics for the month of May 2024.

| Calls for Service              | 202               |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| On Call                        | 3 (4 transported) |
| EMS1                           | 0                 |
| EMS2                           | 0                 |
| Inter-Facility Transfers (IFT) | 30                |
| IFT Home                       | 0                 |
| YTD IFT                        | 146               |
| IFT NOT TAKEN                  | 0                 |
| IFT Mileage-May                | 6,138             |
| IFT Mileage YTD 2024           | 27,950            |
|                                |                   |

Due to mechanical issues during the month of June, TAD was unable to conduct IFTs for one day as four rigs were inoperable thus generating a Critical Failure Report as one call was unable to be transported but call was ultimately cancelled. One IFT was declined due to the number of calls and score on Risk Assessment. Another IFT was held over to the following morning. There was also a Critical Failure Report generated when, after a power surge knocked out the radio system, crews missed a call out at 5am. There was no patient ill-effect as patient ended up being transported by Privately Owned Vehicle (POV) and left the hospital Against Medical Advice (AMA). During the return trip of an IFT, no patient onboard, no one hurt, TAD crew hit a deer. The rig involved is at the body shop for repairs. As back up, it was explained that the Districts owns and maintains three ambulances and two Expeditions which are distributed to QRT station throughout the county and can transport patients although they are all very high mileage so not safe for IFTs. Tom Murphy asked if the District has considered hiring its own mechanic. Now that the fleet is reverting back to all gasoline vehicles, if budget allows, it is a definite option.

Deputy Chief DeTray reported Lt. Angelina Bacharach should complete her Paramedic Internship program by end of year.

Next Meeting

The next monthly meeting, including budget hearing, date will be July 24, 2024 at 4:00pm.

Adjourn

MOTION to adjourn was made by Nick Mattorano

**SECOND:** Zachary Shapiro

YEA: Nick Mattorano, Joe Richards, Tom Murphy, Zakk Shapiro

NAY: ABSTAIN:

Adjourned at 6:16PM

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

Zachary Shapiro, Chairperson