## Sullivan County EMS Advisory Board Meeting June 7<sup>th</sup> 2023

Meeting called to order at 20:10 pm followed by the pledge. Minutes of previous meeting motion to accept by Robin 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tony, All in favor.

Alex Rau: Reported on the Canadian wild fires. Mentioned that we have a new Public Safety Commissioner Scott Schulte. He is from Ulster County and he will be attending future advisory board meetings. Mentioned that summer is upon us lets be aware of our surroundings. The rehab trailer is geared up for the summer season. Attended the Law Enforcement leadership meeting today, encouraged them to help us with mhl transport. 988 diversion is moving forward at the mercy of Dutchess County. On the mutual aid side Alex is reaching out to the squads that are 60 percent and under their calls to try to brainstorm, to do nothing is not the answer either. Alex also recommends that this body make some suggestions to Scott and the Legislators. Agencies have been reaching out to Alex again about getting cancelled enroute. Maybe we can come up with a possible policy to do for a trial period. EMS BBQ is August 6<sup>th</sup>. There is going to be an event at old navy in Monticello, career day at the Liberty high school, Neversink EMS attended the Public Health Healthfest. Alex has had conversations with Julie Starner regarding the Grahamsville Fair and staffing. She has gotten poor responses from letters that were sent out to the ems agencies.

Training: SUNY Sullivan is doing an 8 week summer EMT program. BOCES program for emt has approximately a dozen students to be held at the training center, there was a poor response to the BEFO program.

911 center: The Rock Hill tower will be on line by the end of the year. They have some staff vacancies. Has been attending many school safety meetings in building coverage. An email is going to be sent out regarding ems id's and the issues that are being caused.

Regional: Yellow DOT Program which is a nation wide program, vile of life program yellow sticker on the drivers back seat window, look in the glove box for more information. In NYS the sheriffs department issues the stickers, Alex will talk with our Sheriffs Department about this. Mt. Sinai is doing an injury prevention program for first responders.

TAG Committee: 2025 advisory group for goals and visions for ems. There was talk on how to make ems and essential service at the regional level. If ems becomes essential we could apply for more grants.

Where is the govenors money going, we need legislation in town and county laws. An initiative to the legislators would be to have funding for education.

Molst, seizure and pain management protocol updates January 1<sup>st</sup> going to try to make all protocals annual.

98 agencies currently use the igel airways in NYS.

EPCR vendors are not reporting to the state. 2009 option scroll down for ESO epcr program. Start with Jeff Crutcher at the region then with the vendor on how to get epcr reports.

Sullivan County Legislator 3 dates for public hearings for 10 percent tax deductions, \$200.00 tax income credit it is one or the other you cannot receive both.

ByLaws: Alex, we really don't have by laws they went to legal back when Rick Sauer was around. The county attorney had a draft. Per attorney at the time we are a sub group of the legislators. The fire advisory board has additional rules. Alex stated back then some things were shut down. We are a sub group of the Public Safety Committee. Nancy will call Annmarie again to see if we can get a copy of what we had. Peter G. is there availability for us to have a copy of the by-laws? Tony — Is there a chance we are allowed to sit down with the county attorney? Alex is willing to meet with the county attorney to see what he can find out.

Old Business: The 911 center and Empress. Calls are no longer being held by Empress. Per Alex the 911 center will not hold any calls.

New Business: mutual aid committee, do we want to wait to update it? New committee will be John, Jeff, Robin, Susan and Norman as ex-officio. Alex said bandaid approach is not a answer, the Benjamin study might be a big help. Alex and Hatzolah participated in an exercise. Cancellation is a big issue and causing a bad taste among some volunteers. Alex made a motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Peter that when sent to a scene the first unit to arrive on scene makes the decision to cancel the second unit or have them proceed. This would be pending approval by the county attorney, Alex would need our support as an organization.

Motion to adjourn Tony 2<sup>nd</sup> by John

Respectively Submitted Nancy McLain, Secretary