

MINUTES OF A HEALTH AND MISCELLANEOUS MEETING IN THE COUNTY OF HANCOCK, HELD AT THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE IN THE CITY OF CARTHAGE, ILLINOIS, ON MARCH 15, 2022

Pat Cramer called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. In attendance was committee members Steve Finney, Pat Cramer, Andrew Asbury, Tom Rodgers, Katherine Phillips, Janet Fleming, and Delbert Krebs. Visitors included Travis Duffy, Chad Stewart, Jack Curfman, Patsy Davis, Deborah Whitaker, Rachel Barnes, Doug Diprima, Adam Doellman, Rachel Mast, Sedena Jackson, Ryan Weeks, and several members of the community. Holly Wilde-Tillman and Stephanie Swisegood were in attendance to take the minutes of the meeting.

Mr. Stewart spoke about the intergovernmental agreement with Adams County. He was disturbed with how this was handled and that this was done outside of the public eye. He was also concerned about section 305 of the agreement. He was recommending to the committee that this agreement be tabled.

Mr. Curfman gave his ESDA and Flood Plain report. He stated that there was a great turnout for the Weather Spotter training. Sam Harnack will be taking care of scheduling meetings. There was a mitigation meeting on March 9 in which they set up a tentative schedule for the meetings, looked for possible locations for rain gardens, focused on water resources and flooding, identified focus groups, and developed a community resource grid.

Mr. Doellman went over EMS information. He had looked into getting out of the ADT contract. We signed this on August 13, 2021, and ends August 2024. It would cost us \$6000 to get out of the contract or we can continue paying \$214/month until August 2024. PBS came up with some money which was a net deposit of \$30,119.47. There are staffing shortages but this is a problem nationwide. There is less interest in paramedic training. Blessing Hospital had a class scheduled for August but canceled it due to low interest. Due to staffing shortages Mr. Doellman may need to drop the ambulance to BLS or may not have the Hamilton ambulance running. He stated we will always continue to have 24/7 ambulance coverage but it may just be in Carthage. Mr. Cramer asked if we go to 1 ambulance is there a reason for it being in Carthage. Mr. Doellman stated if you look at a map Carthage looks to be in the center of Hancock County and this is where the main base has always been. He would like to see what the best interest for the county would be. Mr. Cramer stated there is more population in Hamilton. Mr. Doellman stated we are still trying to operate both ambulances. Mr. Cramer asked about mutual aid, and yes we just signed the mutual aid agreement last month. He was wondering if there were certain days that Mr. Doellman was at the ambulance garage. Mr. Doellman stated he is trying to stay around 20 hours a week, 4-8 hours a day. He stated if anyone would like his cell phone number he would be more than happy to give that to anyone. Mr. Rodgers asked how many runs there were in the last month. There was 51 BLS, 37 ALS, 3

ALS II, 12 no treatment/no transport, 9 lifts or refusals. Mr. Rodgers would like to see how that averaged out, how this compares to similar rural counties. Mr. Doellman stated he would get some reports together for next month's meeting. Mr. Rodgers asked him if billing is up to date, and Mr. Doellman stated he thought this was up to date. Mr. Curfman wanted clarification on mutual aid. Ms. Wilde-Tillman asked if there was any contractual write offs or bad debt, and there was none at this time. Mr. Doellman left at 7:11. Ms. Davis left at 7:13. Some of the public visitors left at 7:24.

The claims were gone over. Mr. Finney made a motion to approve the claims and send them on for full board approval. Mr. Rodgers seconded. All members present voted "aye".

Motion was made to adjourn until April 12, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. by Mr. Asbury. This was seconded by Ms. Phillips. All members present voted "aye". Meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Cramer, Chairman

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pat Cramer", written over the typed name.