

**MINUTES OF A HEALTH AND MISCELLANEOUS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN  
THE COUNTY OF HANCOCK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, AT THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE  
IN THE CITY OF CARTHAGE ON SEPTEMBER 12, 2022**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by chairman Pat Cramer. Members in attendance included Katherine Phillips, Tom Rodgers, Janet Fleming, Stephen Finney, Andrew Asbury, Pat Cramer, and Delbert Kreps. Absent was Gary Stansbery. John Simon was in attendance on the phone. Visitors included Rachel Mast, Mike Heisler, Sam Harnack, Doug Diprima, and Stephanie Swisegood was in attendance to take minutes of the meeting.

Mr. Simon gave the preliminary financial status report for the ambulance. Revenue claims include Medicare at 40% which is comparable to Adams County, 28% Medicaid which is higher than expected, 15% is commercial insurance, and 17% patient responsibility. Our collection rate is 62.5% which is within the general industry trends. For an average Medicare trip we receive \$591.33 in which we have a 46.5 collection rate and for Medicaid we receive \$476.83 which is a 42.8% collection rate. The expenses were gone over. It costs \$1.146 million to maintain 2 ambulances in Hancock County. The breakdown includes \$888,000 in personnel and salaries, \$37,300 administrative, \$107,500 for EMS operations, \$56,600 for the facilities, and \$56,000 for the fleet. The fee schedule was gone over and some changes were suggested. A change in fee schedule could generate an extra \$64,984. Ms. Fleming made a motion to adopt the proposed fee schedule to go into effect on December 1, 2022. Mr. Asbury seconded. Ms. Fleming would like it noted that we have had no comment or corrective plan issue on our last 2 audit reports in 2020 and 2021. All members present voted "aye".

Ms. Mast talked about animal control. She stated in order for the states attorney to file a petition to name a dog vicious there are certain steps that need to be taken. She needed to have formal documentation sent which was not done.

Mr. Asbury made a motion to move into executive session at 8:04 p.m. This was seconded by Mr. Rodgers. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting "yes".

Motion was made to come out of executive session at 8:35 p.m. by Ms. Fleming, seconded by Mr. Asbury. All members present voted "aye".

Ms. Phillips made a motion to pay the claims, Mr. Asbury seconded. All members present voted "aye".

Mr. Heisler spoke about the Warsaw animal control problem.

Mr. Rodgers made a motion to recess until October 10, 2022. Ms. Phillips seconded. All members present voted "aye". Meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephanie Swisegood". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'S'.

Stephanie Swisegood