

Barbour County Ambulance Authority Meeting

July 26, 2024

10:00am



APPROVED

8-9-24

DAVID STRAIT, LESA CORLEY, SUZANNA SKIDMORE, EVAN WORKMAN, ROD KIMBLE, COREY BRANDON

Dylan Oliveto, Joseph Strait, Henry McDonald, Dylan Harper, Bob Wilkins

Absent/Regrets: Shana Frey, Cheri Sturm, Dr. Jesus Lemus

David Strait called the meeting to order at 10:07am.

David Strait presented one correction on the distributed minutes to correct the date from May to June 28th. Minutes from the June 28, 2024 meeting, with corrections, were approved on a motion by Corey Brandon, seconded by Evan Workman.

Dave Strait previously provided updates to the group via email and opened for questions. None presented.

Dylan Oliveto provided additional updates

- Licensure is awaiting payment for ambulance inspection before moving forward.
- Vehicle conditions were discussed and stressed the importance of getting the new ambulances licensed and on the road.
- Current staffing does not support serving out-of-county transport requests as priority.
- Working on establishing policies/guidelines, mirroring state and federal guidelines, that will be developed into an employee manual. This development is high priority.
- QMC's tentative go-live date is 9/1. QMC can back-bill up to 90 days, once established. They will also offer tailored training to maximize collections.

Rod Kimble suggested to establish a mission statement that provides the Authority's overall goals and priorities.

Appointment of Alice Jody Ackerman D.O. as Medical Director was discussed. Dave Strait recused himself from voting due to conflict of interest. Rod Kimble suggested defining expectations and consider a stipend in the future for her services. Rod Kimble made a motion, seconded by Suzanna Skidmore to accept the Medical Director agreement with Alice Jody Ackerman D.O.

eservices Technologies is a division of QMC that ensures all billing and payments are electronic and received. The service also provides a dashboard that shows the status of billing and payments. Suzanna Skidmore made a motion to accept the eservices Technologies contract, seconded by Corey Brandon.

Dylan Oliveto discussed staff scheduling. They are currently on the Pitman Schedule and considering offering a split schedule option of 12hr or 24hr shifts. Rod Kimble suggested a PM begin/end for more alertness. Full staff is expected to be 25 FTE; 5 ½ Medics, 9 ½ EMTs, 9 ½ Drivers.

Rod Kimble discussed establishing employee committees to allow them to participate in policy creation and standardization. Dylan Oliveto has had discussion with several employees who have interest in establishing standardization of trucks and plan to get that committee kick started soon.

The floor was open for public comment.

Bob Wilkins discussed First Responder Chaplain services and will be discussed further at the next meeting.

The next regular meeting will be held on August 9, 2024 at 10:00am.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Rod Kimble, seconded by Corey Brandon.

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