

Richland County Joint Ambulance Committee

August 10, 2023

Minutes

Present: James Lingel, Glen Niemeyer, Jerome Durst, Gordon Palmer, and Darin Gudgeon. Via Zoom: Brian McGraw, Kerry Severson, Julie Fleming, Sharon Schmitz, Mary Rognholt, Don Stanke, Doug Duhr, Jean Nicks, and Terrance Jindrick.

Not Present: Tom McCarthy, Todd Stittleburg, and Tim Willis.

1. Meeting was called to order at 18:05.
2. Notification of the meeting had been made, and the agenda was posted greater than 24 hours prior to the meeting.
3. Committee attendance was as noted above, with 13 members present.
4. A motion was made by Nicks to approve the agenda as posted. Schmitz seconded it. Motion Carried; the agenda was approved.
5. A motion was made by Palmer and seconded by Niemeyer to approve the previous meeting's minutes as presented. Motion carried; the minutes were approved.
6. Gudgeon informed the Committee the ambulance discussed in the previous meeting had already been sold. However, a different ambulance had been listed on Wisconsin Surplus being sold in Hartland, WI. The box is a lifeline and is nearly identical to the current Unit 33. It is a 2013 Ford diesel with 67,426 miles listed and 2,137 engine hours. Gudgeon stated the injector pumps are a known problem but this could be replaced for roughly \$1,200. It also reportedly has a tire that needs to be rebalanced. The current bid is at \$8,075, though it is expected to increase as the end of the auction draws near. There is currently \$49,351 in the capital outlay account. Gudgeon stated he expected it would sell for \$25,000. Gudgeon stated it would also have to have the power lift system installed, but this unit fits the specifications of the Service's needs. The bidding ends Monday, August 14. Gudgeon stated he would go to see it in person as well as review the mechanics notes. If it has been taken care of, it was recognized this engine should have a lot of life left. The seller told Gudgeon it has been the second unit out for the past five years, and they are selling it based on a ten-year rotation. Gudgeon spoke with the County Administrator who stated it would have to have final approval by the County Board, who meet Tuesday evening; she approved bidding but the official purchase would not be able to be done until their official vote. Gudgeon plans to drive to check it out the day following this meeting to ensure it is worth bidding on and invited any Committee member to join him if they wished. It was recognized there would be a 9% buyer's fee. Stanke made a motion to approve bidding to purchase this used ambulance at a cost not to exceed \$40,000 plus the buyer's fee to be paid from Fund 16, recognizing the injector pump would need subsequent replacement. Motion seconded Duhr. Motion carried.
7. Durst made a motion to adjourn the meeting; motion seconded by Lingel. The motion carried; the meeting was adjourned at 18:35.