

LINCOLN COUNTY EMS/JUDICIAL COMMITTEE

Tuesday, January 11, 2011 @ 8:30 a.m.

Lincoln County Safety Building – 1104 E. Main St.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Caylor, Giese, Krueger, Lee, and Mittelsteadt.

MEMBERS EXCUSED:

VISITORS: Sheila Pudelko, Doug Duchac, and Bob Odegard.

- 1. Call Meeting to Order:** Chairman Lee called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.
- 2. Approve minutes of previous meeting:** Motion to approve the minutes of December 15, 2010 as presented and place on file was made by Krueger, seconded by Caylor. Motion carried.
- 3. Auto Liability Insurance for Mandated Mediation/Counseling:** Mr. Lee will talk to Probate about the Committee's concern that evidence of auto liability insurance coverage be provided to their office for their cases involving children.
- 4. Increase Ambulance Base Rate:** The last rate increase for BLS, ALS and ALS2 was in 1/1/08. The last rate increase for On Scene Care and Intercept was 1/1/05. The budget increase for 2009, 2010 and 2011 equals 12.6% for just Merrill and Tomahawk services. To better reflect the cost of service the Clerk requested a rate increase of \$100 for each BLS, ALS and ALS2; a \$50 rate increase for the On Scene Care; and a \$25 rate increase for Intercept, effective 1/13/11. On the discussion it was noted this is a service the County does not have to provide the municipalities, and the municipalities do not help fund this County service. This too is something that will be looked at in the future. The Clerk suggested we review our rates on an annual basis. Motion to approve the rates as presented, effective 1/13/11, was made by Mr. Caylor and seconded by Mr. Krueger. Motion carried. The rates will be as follows: BLS - \$775; ALS - \$825; ALS2 - \$875; On Scene Care - \$250; and Intercept - \$150.
- 5. Approve Prurchase of Ambulance – Chief Odegard:** Chief Odegard presented bid listings from Lifeline, Medtec, and Braun. Chief Odegard stated the reasons they would prefer a diesel engine. As for trade-in of the old ambulance, Medtec is offering \$17,000; Braun is offering \$12,000; and Lifeline is offering \$4,000. Chief Odegard stated there may be someone in Colorado who will give us \$25,000 for our old ambulance. If Medtec gets the trade-in of our old ambulance they will be using it as a loaner/rental. Chief Odegard is not in favor of a unit from Braun because of their poor service reputation. Motion to have the Chief and his staff seek out the best trade-in price, the best working deal for an ambulance, and put in writing what he wants and why, and bring this back to the next meeting was made by Mr. Caylor and seconded by Mr. Giese. Motion carried.
- 6. Carry Over of 2010 Funds:** The Clerk will be working with Finance on the possibility of carrying over the unused training budget of \$1000. The Committee agreed with this carryover.
- 7. Tomahawk Report:** EMS Manager Duchac gave Tomahawk's monthly run and expense reports. There were 102 runs with billing charges of \$64,266. Mr. Duchac stated they should end the year under budget in expenses. Motion to approve the Tomahawk report and to place report on file was made by Mr. Caylor, seconded by Mr. Krueger. Motion carried.
- 8. Merrill Report:** Chief Odegard stated their run count is up for December. There were 168 runs with billing charges of \$122,132.10. Chief Odegard stated they too should end the year under budget in expenses. Motion to approve the Merrill report and to place the report on file was made by Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Krueger. Motion carried.

9. **Clerk's Report:** The billings turned over to collections will no longer be showing up on the report as a write-off, but will be under their own heading. The Clerk will be checking into Sheriff's Department write-offs. Motion to approve the Clerk's monthly report and write-offs and to place the reports on file was made by Mr. Giese, seconded by Mr. Krueger. Motion carried.

	<u>Charges</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Write-Offs</u>	<u>Collections</u>
MERRILL	\$122,233.30	\$39,882.99	\$ 1,563.70	\$ 1,374.00
TOMAHAWK	\$ 64,266.00	\$20,560.50	\$ 398.40	0.00
	\$186,499.30	\$60,443.49	\$ 1,962.10	\$ 1,374.00

EMS WRITE-OFFS for December 2010 were:

<u>V.A.</u>	<u>Insurance</u>	<u>Sheriff Dept</u>
\$ 1,404.47	\$ 7.00	\$ 550.63

10. **Review YTD Budget Reports:** The Committee reviewed the reports. Motion to place the reports on file was made by Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Krueger. Motion carried.
11. **Next Meeting Date:** Tuesday, February 8, 2011 @ 8:30 a.m. at the Safety Building conference room.
12. **Adjourn:** Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Caylor, seconded by Mr. Mittelsteadt. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:14 am.

Minutes prepared by Sheila Pudelko