

February 5, 2018

Present: Marcia, Frank K, Frank M, Neil, Larry B, Larry F, Laurie, Linda, Gayle, Joanie, Travis, Tom, Sadie, Patti, Paul, Stacy

Absent: Colleen, Jenny, Leaf, Tam

Meeting was called to order by Frank K

There was a moment of silence honoring past South Shore EMTs.

Business:

Patti presented to the group that both Washburn and Iron River Ambulances Services had told her they would no longer be providing us mutual aid. We missed one third of our calls over the past year. There was a lengthy discussion on a plan to remedy the situation. Recently the call schedule had dropped to 2 sign up slots per a decision by Bev Steele, the Town of Clover chair and Patti, the service director. There was a motion made by Marcia and seconded by Gayle to return the schedule to 3 slots and try until May 7 (as a trail period) to require each EMT/EMR to cover 93 shifts. None of this will affect this year's incentive. The vote carried with Travis and Neil voting no. Everyone is to be courteous about sign up.

Gayle reviewed the Spinal Immobilization Protocols.

Frank reviewed the new refresher possibility of taking and recording class hours.

Frank talked about the new "Stop the Bleed" information being presented to various community groups if anyone is interested. He felt the auxiliary could do it.

Frank reminded those that didn't remember that the Stryker cot can be made shorter, we need to do a better job of doing triage, when anyone mentions a pounding headache to think about stroke and that intense right arm and right side chest pain may be a contraindication to giving nitro.

BP practice will be done after the March business meeting.

Meeting adjourned 8 pm