

Beaver Island Emergency Services Authority (BIESA)

REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, December 16, 2021

2:00 p.m.

Peaine Township Hall

Present: Kathleen McNamara (March 2023), Jim McDonough (March 2024); Bob Turner (March 2024) and Doug Tilly (March 2023)

Absent: Tammy Radionoff (March 2022) Bob Turner (March 2024)

Also present: Krys Lyle: Recording Secretary, Rick Speck

The Regular Meeting of the Beaver Island Emergency Services Authority (BIESA) was held today, Thursday, December 16, 2021 at 2:00 PM and was called to order by Doug Tilly. Recording Secretary Krys Lyle present. A quorum was established.

1. Review/revise agenda: Agenda approved as presented.
2. Approve Minutes from the October 28, 2021 Regular Meeting and November 9, 2021 and November 11, 2021 Special Meetings: A motion by McNamara to approve the minutes as written with a 2nd by McDonough. Unanimous Approval (3 Ayes).
3. Reports:
 - a. **Fire: McDonough:** Place in Illinois that would like to donate a ladder truck for the island. There is a form that needs to be filled out by the Chair, Doug Tilly. Mechanical issue with bolts under the turntable which would be our cost. This would arrive in the spring of this year. Personal property agreement release form. This is from Tri-State Fire Protection District in Darrion Illinois. The person donating the truck has a mother who owns property on the island. Motion by McNamara to pursue authorization of this donation by Tim McDonough with Tri-State Fire Protection District and authorize the ESA Chairman to sign the sale and release agreement. 2nd by McDonough. Grassmick asked that a letter of thanks to the donors for this gift.
 - b. **EMS: Randall:** (See attached email letter from Randall in packet). The plane that crashed was our air ambulance Grief counseling through EMS. Follow-up would be good for the island. 47 attended and the same watching the video stream. Island Airways is pursuing another airplane to provide this service. There is a need for more EMT's which was evident during the plane crash. Katherina mentioned recommendations from Cody of two EMT's available to work here (Landon) There are two others interested in getting certified this spring.
 - c. **Financials: Speck:** Refer to Attached documents. The budgets will need amending after paying the new wage increase for EMT's. Motion by Tilly, 2nd McDonough. Unanimous Approval (3 Ayes).
4. **Public Comment.:** Grassmick. Randall is staying as Director. Is there an update. Home is still for sale. He will give ample notice to the townships. McNamara suggested a press releases from the townships stating the status of ESA. Grassmick would ESA be willing to put out a press release for public

outreach on Covid status. McNamara stated the Supervisors had a advisory group to discuss weekly when there were situations that needed addressing. Report/meeting Bob turner, supervisors, sheriff, chamber, BIRHC. The two townships should be drafting the reports for publication. 3. Revisiting the Bylaws reviewed by attorney. Given the situation we are in need of advanced life support for the island. Both townships should be represented on the board considering the millage provided to EMS. The board numbers are not reflected in the bylaws as to the split between townships. McNamara will review the bylaws for the February meeting. Tilly stated there is no Public Health workers policy for vaccination. McNamara stated it is the Health Departments responsibility to get the information out to the public regarding contact tracing. Islanders are looking for guidance. Tilly stated if you think you are exposed, take the recommended precautions. Testing is provided at the Health Center for free. McNamara asked if there was a requirement for emergency medical field to be tested or vaccinated. Is there a policy?

5. 2:35PM Adjourned McDonough, 2nd McNamara – Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,
Krys Lyle: Recording Secretary
December 16, 2021

Next Regular Meeting: February 24, 2022 – 2:00 PM Peaine Township Hall.