



Effingham County Board
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October 14, 2025 3:30 P.M.
Ambulance Oversight Committee Meeting

MINUTES

Committee Members Present: Sandi Rich, Jeremy Deters, Tina Daniels, Deb Murbarger, Brandt Yocum
Absent: Ron Will, Rick Manford
Others Present: Wayne Woods (RuralMed), Travis Buhnerkempe

Minutes

- Approval of August 12, 2025 minutes. J. Deters motioned/S. Rich seconded. Unanimous.
Motion carried.

Public Comments

- None

Dispatch Report/Mutual Aid Report

- RuralMed shared reporting for months of June and July.
 - August report of 515 total requests for ambulance; 371 911 requests; 33 private line requests; 115 refusals; 111 other calls; 14 mutual aids given; 8 mutual aids received; 0 standbys.
 - September report of 573 total requests for ambulance; 392 911-requests; 49 private line requests; 97 refusals; 132 other calls; 8 mutual aids given; 3 mutual aids received; 0 standbys.

Recruitment (training, certifications)

- RuralMed reported one new hire for August/September.

Quality Compliance

- RuralMed report showed August chute time average 1 minute 17 seconds; response time average 8 minutes 52 seconds; scene time average 16 minutes 12 seconds.
- RuralMed report showed September chute time average 1 minute 13 seconds; response time average 7 minutes 40 seconds; scene time average 15 minutes 45 seconds.

Commendations/Complaints

- RuralMed reported no complaints or concerns.

General Information

- RuralMed reported engagements for August and September
 - JFL Jamboree Stand Bys
 - Tractor Pull Stand By
 - EHS Football Stand Bys
 - Touch a Truck Events in Altamont, T-Town, Effingham
 - Emergency Services Show Case
 - JV Game Stand By
- T. Daniels shared report of status-0 calls since August and found 44 started; Of the 44, she reporting finding four she felt were concerning in terms of how many rigs were available for Effingham County at the recorded times. RuralMed to investigate and report out at next meeting. D. Murbarger shared concern with total number of status-0 reported. Discussion on monitoring of status-0.
- Contract Extension – S. Rich shared time for updating contract with extension. T. Daniels motioned to extend contract for another 12 months. D. Murbarger seconded. Unanimous. ***Motion carried.***
- S. Rich inquired on going back to a monthly meeting for the new year. Committee agreed.
- J. Deters shared his district borders Cumberland County and he is aware of some issues with Cumberland County and shared inquiry if any of those issues could affect ambulance coverage for Effingham County. RuralMed responded due to contract, RuralMed will cover Effingham County first.

Committee Member Comments

Closed Session

Adjournment

- J. Deters motioned/T. Daniels seconded to adjourn the meeting. Unanimous. ***Motion carried.***

Minutes Submitted by Angie Thompson, County Board Administrator