



Effingham County Board
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February 11, 2025 3:30 P.M.
Ambulance Oversight Committee Meeting

MINUTES

Committee Members Present: Sandi Rich, Jeremy Deters, Brant Yochum, Deb Murbarger, Rick Manford, Tina Daniels

Absent: Ron Will

Others Present: Wayne Woods (RuralMed), Travis Buhnerkempe

Minutes

- Approval of December 10, 2024 minutes. J. Deters motioned/T. Daniels seconded. Unanimous.
Motion carried.

Public Comments

- None

Dispatch Report/Mutual Aid Report

- RuralMed shared reporting for months of December and January.
 - December report of 378 total requests for ambulance; 301 911 requests; 77 private line requests; 95 refusals; 14 cancelled in route; 8 mutual aids given; 0 mutual aids received; 1 standby.
 - January report of 421 total requests for ambulance; 352 911-requests; 69 private line requests; 93 refusals; 14 cancelled in route; 0 mutual aids given; 0 mutual aid received; 0 standbys.

Recruitment (training, certifications)

- None reported for December
- None reported for January

Quality Compliance

- RuralMed report showed December chute time average 1 minute 33 seconds; response time average 7 minutes 39 seconds; scene time average 18 minutes 32 seconds
- RuralMed report showed January chute time average 1 minute 10 seconds; response time average 8 minutes 5 seconds; scene time average 14 minutes 45 seconds.

Commendations/Complaints

- RuralMed reported one documented concern from 911 dispatch in December involving extended chute time and ETA to scene. RuralMed reported resolution implemented.

Rural Med Contract Extension

- S. Rich stated has contract extension has been passed by County Board. S. Rich stated an Ordinance needs to be drafted.

Ambulance Ordinance

- Discussion on drafting Ordinance.

General Information

- RuralMed reported new Fire Channel added to radio system for Effingham County along with Shelby/Christian 911 and Cumberland EMS. RuralMed also added EMS units in Fayette County in the event they would be covering Effingham County 911.
- RuralMed reported quarterly review training completed on January 21, 22, and 23rd.

Committee Member Comments

- S. Rich inquired on adding transfers and discharges to RuralMed reporting to evaluate total need.
- B. Yochum inquired on adding status zero to RuralMed reporting and number of calls received while on status zero. T. Daniels inquired on RuralMed communicating with 911 when at status zero. Discussion on communication needs for status zero. Inquiry on inclement weather preparations and management.
- RuralMed suggested adding intercepts to reporting.

Closed Session

Adjournment

- D. Murbarger motioned/J. Deters seconded to adjourn the meeting. Unanimous. ***Motion carried.***

Minutes Submitted by Angie Thompson, County Board Administrator