

**TOWN OF TRUMBULL
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Trumbull Emergency Medical
Service Commission

William Schietinger, Chairman

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Joseph Laucella, Chief

Trumbull Emergency Medical Service Commission Meeting
September 22, 2015 7:00 pm
Trumbull EMS Headquarters

Present: Commissioners Matthew Wheeler, Joel Hirschfield, Dr. Shea Gregg, Thomas Keily, Jr. and Philip Lukianuk.

Also Present: Chief Joseph Laucella

Absent: Commissioners William Schietinger and Diane Mayo

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Lukianuk at 7:15pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment

No Public comment.

Past Minutes

Motion was made by Dr. Gregg, seconded by Mr. Hirschfield, to approve the minutes as written. Approved unanimously.

Old Business

No Old Business.

Chief's Report

Chief Laucella distributed his report noting

- Call volume is up about 5% over last year at this time.
- EMT class practicals from Fairfield University will be held at TEMS HQ.
- 9/23 he will be attending a career/volunteer fair at UNH to recruit student volunteers.
- New documentation requirements and QA/QI programs have been completed. Classes are currently being conducted.
- Weekly in-service exercises will be conducted by the paramedics on duty for crews. One half hour CME credit will be given for every exercise attended.

- The Director of Public Works is working on the Five Year Plan for the Town and has contacted Chief Laucella regarding the service's building needs. The service definitely needs more space and updates. A budget of \$900,000 has been proposed for this renovation. A fire alarm system and new paving are already in the Five Year Plan.
- A new ambulance will need to be considered in the budget to replace 901 which is the oldest vehicle.

New Business

Chief Laucella noted that he attended a meeting with FEMA representatives regarding the grant to be opened in November. The Chief presented three options which he felt were eligible for grant money:

1. Additional set of ALS gear with Lucas device.
2. Power Load system for a new ambulance which would conform to the new state regulation for stretcher requirements and would be beneficial for bariatric patients.
3. Additional paramedic vehicle.

The Chief noted that matching funds would need to be approved as well as additional funding for on-going expenses. Discussion. The Chief placed the order of importance as the ALS gear, paramedic vehicle and last stretcher load system. Discussion was held regarding disaster preparedness and a multipurpose paramedic vehicle. The town has hired a grant writer who would work with the Chief on writing the proposal. The Commission agreed they were very interested and charged the Chief with moving forward on a grant proposal for the ALS gear.

Adjournment

There being no further business, motion was made by Mr. Hirshfield, seconded by Mr. Wheeler, to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 pm. Approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Crandall
Executive Administrative Assistant

Chief of Service

EMS Report

September 22, 2015

2015 Stats

	2015 Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	August	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	TOTAL
Days	31	28	31	30	31	30	31	31	31				
Total calls	382	334	390	341	363	392	349	345					2896
TEMS Covered	348	309	359	317	334	359	326	325					2677
Percent covered	92%	93%	92%	93%	92%	92%	93%	94%					93%
Mutual Aid	34	25	31	24	29	33	23	20					219
Total response Times	7%	7.30%	7.3	7.2	7.3	7.4	7.1	7.4					7.30%
Transport Rate	75%	79%	77%	80%	75%	76%	75%	80%					77.00%
ALS Intercept	21	13	17	11	13	20	1	3					99

Call Volume- September 1- September 20, 2015 - 229 Calls

2014 Stats

2014	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	August	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	TOTAL
Days	31	28	31	30	31	30	31	31	30	31	30	31	
Total calls	347	307	378	350	355	359	349	303	317	348	306	333	4052
TEMS Covered	318	280	346	325	331	331	311	286	298	322	282	314	3744
Percent covered	92%	91%	92%	93%	93%	92%	89%	94%	94%	93%	93%	94%	93%
Mutual Aid	29	27	32	25	24	28	38	17	19	26	24	19	308
Total response Times	6.9	7.1	7	7.1	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	6.9	7.3	7.6	7.1	7.2
Transport Rate	75%	78%	79%	80%	75%	75%	78%	75%	76%	76%	75%	75%	76%
ALS Intercept	6	16	14	17	14	11	19	12	21	13	9	9	161

New Volunteers in Training:

TEMS has 10 new members who are in training.

We have 1 new applicant who we will be bringing in to interview in the next few weeks.

Vehicle Status:

Ambulance 904 is currently OOS for routine maintenance.

Ambulance 902 went into service on 9/12/2015.

EMT Class Update:

The summer EMT finished on August 20, 2015. The first student who completed the two part exam process passed in her first attempt. 5 other students just tested on 9/19 and are awaiting their results from the practical exams.

The fall class that is held in partnership with Fairfield University has begun. Currently, there are 22 students in class.

Recent Events:

TEMS provided ambulance standby coverage for the Trumbull Fall Festival. The service provided two ambulances to provide event standby and additional town coverage. TEMS also provided a First Aid Station and Gator Team for the event.

The organization provided CPR training to the Daniels Farm Elementary School Staff as well as for the Trumbull Senior Center Staff.

TEMS was invited and had a recruitment table at the Sacred Heart University Volunteer Fair. This gave the organization the opportunity to recruit students who have been recently certified as EMT's. The university ran a class last semester and has a number of certified students who have expressed interest in volunteering with TEMS.

TEMS participated in the THS Club Fair. We will be advisors for a second year in a row for the EMS Club at the high school.

TEMS recently trained all staff on new documentation standards, hospital protocol changes and new equipment roll-out. The first training session held on 9/21 had 31 members in attendance. A second session will be held on 9/24. I would like to thank Max Spitzer for the many hours he spent developing a new documentation standard and QA/QI process. Max, who recently offered to work on the project is in medical school in Florida and has been working tirelessly on this project. We are grateful for the time and effort he has spent working on this new program. I would also like to thank James Koch and Jamie Goldstein for leading the training sessions for our members.

Thank you to all those volunteers who have been riding and helping with our community events.