Mid-County Volunteer Rescue Squad Minutes of Meeting General Membership 11 July 2018

President: Jaime Packett brought meeting to order 1930.

President announced meeting of the County Board of Supervisors, 12 July, 5:00 pm at the court house.

VP Garfield Parker: Uniform shirts will be a polo style shirt, squad color. Garfield thanked everyone for all their hard work to make the chicken dinner a success.

In spite of what you've read in the papers, we're still here. Our biggest problem is not having enough certified EMTs to run calls. We would like to suggest to the membership a solution. The suggestion is to hire 3-4 certified EMT Paramedics to cover 7 days a week, 12-hour duty shift. The squad will provide a driver and 3rd. While on duty they would receive \$50 a day and \$100 for each call they run. All of the details have yet to be worked out like; application forms, job descriptions, legal aspects etc.

Howard Fones suggest we consult with a lawyer, John Hodgest. John is a corporate lawyer and very knowledgeable of squad business.

*Garfield Parker made motion to proceed with the suggestion of hiring EMTs and to retain legal counsel for their advice and direction.

Second Deborah Evans All approved.

Treasurer Jeanne Widenmyer: Fund letter has brought in \$12,000.00. Fund letter cost \$1000 this year. Last year we received 213 responses, this year 184 but only a \$800 less difference from last year.

Captain Melvin Cockrell: There is an over use of prescription opioids in this area. Doctors prescribing too many, reports of this are being looked into.

 $1^{\rm st}$. Lt Phil Shahan: Thanks everyone that answered calls last month.

Did not get chance to fully check out ambulance 44 or Command 4 last month. If anyone would like to assist, please do.

No training planned for this month.

Updates from PEMS: Medication changes, dopamine is coming out of the box, and levefed is going in.

EMT's please document Rapid Arterial Occlusion Evaluation (RACE) scores for stroke patients, as well as notify the hospital of the RACE score in your HEAR reports. There is a RACE score chart in the protocol books for reference.

2nd Lt Absent

Vehicle Officer Charles Howard: New step for 42 will be installed. Make sure you fill out an inventory sheet at the end of the run, and be sure the life pack is plugged in.

Member at Large Valerie Barton: She will be attending the county supervisors meeting.

Infection Control Jim Webber making some changes. Printed new call sheets.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

It was suggested that MCVRS give a \$100 gift card to the 2 women who helped so much with the Pancake Breakfast and the Chicken Dinner. This was approved by affirmation.

Meeting adjourned 1920.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Secretary Madge Rollins