

**EMSAC  
BOARD LEVEL MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2010 4:00 PM**

**Members Present:**

**Jason Stroud, CCDPS**

**Bill Gillespie, CCDPS**

**David Laurrell, County Administrator**

**Charles Falwell, Board of Supervisors**

**Steve Shockley, Board of Supervisors**

**Bruce Stratton, Recue Commissioner**

**Gerald Layne, Citizens Emergency Crew**

**Wayne Lankford, Concord VRS**

**Chris Leebrick, Rustburg VRS**

**Osric Joseph, Brookneal VRS**

**Mark Moss, Altavista EMS**

**Roger Vassar, Vice Rescue Commissioner**

**Others Present:**

**Karen Briggs, Administrative Support**

**Members Not Present:**

**Jack Morgan, Jr., Campbell County VRS**

*Mr. Stroud welcomed everyone and opened the meeting at 4:00 PM.*

- I. Introductions of Charles Falwell and Karen Briggs were made to the group.
- II. Mr. Stroud stated that the December EMSAC meeting minutes will be sent out along with February's minutes.
- III. Mr. Stroud announced that the Rescue Squad Assistance Fund grant has awarded Campbell County for 27 Tough Book computers with 100% funding. Campbell County also requested seven Auto Pulses, and was awarded two on a 50/50 grant. Rustburg VRS was also awarded two Auto Pulses. Mr. Stroud stated that instead of purchasing Auto Pulses, he will submit an addendum to the Office of EMS to purchase Physio Control Lucas II's instead of Auto Pulse due to battery life and customer service issues. Mr. Leebrick would also like to purchase the Physio Control Lucas II's in place of the Auto Pulses. An appropriation of funds will be submitted to the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Stroud would like formal acceptance from EMSAC for the purchase of the Physio Control Lucas II's. All in favor.
- IV. Mr. Stroud stated that an operating agreement has been signed with Altavista EMS effective February 1, 2010. Mr. Laurrell stated that Altavista EMS will receive approximately \$221,000 that will be paid out in four physical years. Payments will be performance based with the first payment due May 1, 2010. Altavista EMS's performance will be evaluated by EMSAC and the Board of Supervisors. Altavista EMS is a full fledge member of EMSAC. They will continue to bill for their services, but will reimburse the County for expenses. Mr. Moss thanked everyone for the support in reaching an agreement. Mr. Falwell

thanked Mr. Laurrell and all those involved for the hard work in working with Altavista EMS to reach an agreement.

- V. Mr. Stroud stated that the job posting for two BLS providers closes on February 11, 2010. He hopes to review the applications on February 12, 2010. Once candidates are identified, initial interviews and skills assessments will be held using a panel interview method. Principal interviews will be held with the shift supervisors and Mr. Stroud. Any members interested are encouraged to apply.
- VI. Mr. Laurrell stated interviews for the Public Safety Director were held January 29. A top candidate will be selected and invited back to an open house tentatively scheduled for February 16, 2010 from 3 PM- 7 PM for anyone interested in meeting him. If anyone has concerns after meeting him, they should express those to Bill Bigham, Bruce Stratton, David Laurrell, or Jason Stroud.
- VII. Mr. Stroud reported the EMS Billing/Funds Update. We currently have \$158,605.29 left after all squad pay outs, and additional payouts of \$25,000 towards a new EMS 8 vehicle, and an additional \$5,000.00 to each squad for Recruitment and Retention.
- VIII. A Captains meeting was held on January 25, 2010 at Campbell County Public Safety where each squad was asked to bring a list of needs to discuss for the excess money. Campbell County Rescue, Citizens Rescue, Concord Rescue, and Rustburg Rescue submitted lists. Citizens And Brookneal Captains were not at the meeting. After reviewing the list, those in attendance felt that Rustburg's building expansion should be a priority. This expansion project would include training rooms and bunk rooms that would be available for centralized training and quarters for members and EMS 8 staff. Citizens Rescue felt that their request for money to purchase the lot beside the squad and needed building repairs was not given due consideration. Mr. Stroud met with members of Citizens Emergency Crew to discuss their needs and the proposed decision to give the bulk of the money to Rustburg. Some squads do not feel that one squad should receive the majority of the excess funds when other squads have needs too. Mr. Falwell stated that an agreement should be drawn up with Rustburg Rescue Squad in reference to the use of the training facilities so that it clearly states that any agency has access to these training rooms. Rustburg is willing to do this. The overall cost of Rustburg's building expansion is \$400,000. Rustburg Rescue has \$100,000.00 to put towards the total cost. Plans for additional money to consider are \$150,000 from excess funds, \$150,000 CIP request from Rescue Commission or a \$150,000 loan through VACO, or earmark funds from billing for several years to help pay off the loan. A suggestion was made to take this item back to Rescue Commission and bring it back to the next EMSAC meeting. Building needs can be included in the CIP Assessment that the captains are currently working on. CIP needs do not have to be just vehicles.

- IX. Gerald Layne asked if CIP money will be used for the County to purchase ambulances for the career staff. He stated that in 90 days the career staff has logged approximately 18,000 miles on Citizens units. Mr. Laurrell stated that this falls under establishing the needs based CIP. Factors that need to be considered are station locations, call volume, building conditions, duplication of equipment, etc. The main focus should be on what is really needed to make the system work. The CIP is a plan and can be adjusted year to year, rotations can be determined based on needs. Mr. Stratton stated that the Rescue Commission had their CIP ready to present, but would like a chance to review it to include buildings. Their original only included vehicles. Mr. Stroud asked if a draft of this document could be sent to him on or before February 11, 2010 and Mr. Stratton stated this would not be a problem.
- X. Mr. Shockley stated that he felt that Citizens building problems; septic system and basement flooding should be a priority and needs to be addressed sooner than later and that this should be addressed in the review of the CIP draft.
- XI. Everyone received a copy of a time table for EMS billing disbursements. Mr. Stroud would like formal approval of the time table at the next EMSAC meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:59PM

*The next meeting will be April 5, 2010 at 4:00 p.m.*