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CSA-69 ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Laura Koval, Chair/ Jim Bingham, Vice Chair
c/o Emergency Medical Services
Zoom Meeting

Minutes

Thursday, November 18, 2021

IN ATTENDANCE

Members

Bingham, James – Lakeside Fire Protection District
Hall, Ronn – City of Santee
Koval, Laura – City of Santee
Meadows-Pitt, Mary – Sharp Grossmont Hospital
Peasley, Jim – Santee Chamber of Commerce
Raddatz, Kim – San Miguel Fire Protection District
Robak, Steve – Lakeside Community Planning Group

Agency Representatives

Bagley, Aaron – City of Santee
Best, Marlene – City Manager, City of Santee
Garlow, John – City of Santee Fire Department
Matsushita, Justin – City of Santee Fire Department
Molloy, Bernard – Lakeside Fire Protection District

County Staff

Cavanaugh, Adria
Collins, Jeff
del Toro, Nicole (recorder)
Gall, Jessica
Parr, Andy
Pia, Francis
Smith, PhD, Josh

Guests

Brook, Michael – Digitech Billing Agency
Kearney, Kay – Digitech Billing Agency
Wieczorek, Tom – CPSM
Zavatsky, Matt – CPSM

I. CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Laura Koval, Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:01 pm.
- B. In lieu of introductions, attendance was captured online.
- C. Kim Raddatz & Harry Muns were announced as the new advisory committee members representing San Miguel Fire Protection District. Kim Raddatz as primary and Harry Muns as alternate.

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS/PETITIONS

There were no public comments or petitions submitted.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Vice-Chair Jim Bingham, seconded by Jim Peasley to approve the September 9, 2021 CSA-69 Advisory Committee minutes. Motion carried.

IV. MANAGEMENT TEAM REPORT

A. Budget and Financial Report

The [CSA 69 FY 2021-2022 1st Quarter Financial Overview](#) PowerPoint was presented by Consultant Matt Zavadsky from the Center of Public Safety Management (CPSM), which covered the following: Revenue, Expenses, and Reserve Analysis.

1. Accept the Financial Report

A motion was made by Jim Bingham, seconded by Kim Raddatz to accept the Financial Report. Motion carried.

B. County Report – Andy Parr

1. EMS Agency Report

- County EMS Transition to the Public Safety Group is completed. The transition from HHSA to PSG (County Fire) is organizationally complete but there is still more work to be done with budget coordination, program alignment and assimilation, and policy modification and development.
- Board Letter Watch: On November 2 the Board received the Community Health and Injury Prevention (CHIP) Project report for the SDCo FPD. Included in that approval was an update on the AB 1544 plan for the LEMSA to complete when the regulations are approved by EMSA.
- Flu: The Flu Season is almost upon us again. There is a substantial uptick. The “PHO Flu Order” is evergreen, and runs through the designated influenza season (November 1 – March 31).
- Procurements: County EMS encourages interested parties to register in BuyNet to receive procurement information as it is released. There are instructions posted on our website. Upcoming procurements include:
 - RFP for Evaluation of Base Station System and Trauma Catchment area designation (anticipated release is prior to the end of the calendar year)
 - RFP for Paramedic Ambulance Services for CSA 17. The contract has been extended until July 1, 2022.
- EMSA Waivers extended to March 31, 2022: In March 2020 EMSA, under the authority granted by Executive Order, implemented an array of waivers and alterations to standard EMS rules. These changes included:
 - Substituting simulations or other adjustments for clinical and internship contacts for EMT and paramedic students
 - Waiving the biannual EMT skills competency verification
 - Authorizing EMTs, AEMTs, and paramedics to practice their respective scope in stationary settings
 - Approval for Local Optional Scope of Practices for COVID-19 testing and vaccination administrationAll of these emergency standards were extended from September to conclude on March 31, 2022, including for training courses that began prior to this date.
- Capacity Plan: The All-Hazard Health Service Capacity Management Plan is currently at a Level 2 Escalated Activation.
- EMSA Star of Life Award nominations are open: The annual EMS Authority Star of Life awards are open for nomination. These awards honor special advocacy, heroic acts, innovations, or special contributions to improve EMS in the state by EMS personnel, medical providers, local officials, members of the law enforcement community, citizens, and first responders. EMS agencies may send information to the LEMSA or nominate awardees directly through the EMSA website by December 31.

A PowerPoint presentation [Framework for the Future, Emergency Medical Services Strategic Plan](#) as shared with the group by Jeff Collins, County Fire Assistant Director and Andy Parr, EMS Administrator.

C. Operations Chief's Meeting Report

Lakeside Fire District Report – Bernie Molloy

1. Seen fluctuations in ambulance service due to COVID, therefore Medic 1 is staffed every Monday in August and September because Monday has proved to be such a high call volume day.
2. Recent hiring in Lakeside. Hired 1 reserve; made offers to 3 additional fire fighter paramedics.
3. CSA equipment – have 1 new ambulance on order, however seeing a shortage with getting chassis for ambulances. Have a good reserve fleet.
4. Call statistics – seen an increase in revenue in mutual aid transportations.
5. City of San Diego will be switching to Falck Ambulance November 22 and AMR will no longer have that contract.
6. Call volume year to date = 13,500; call volume 2021 = 11,571 calls.

Santee Fire Department – Aaron Bagley

1. Staff heavily involved in public education and community events: poster contest, show-and-tell, fire extinguisher training, Santee Historical Society fair, Santee Drive-in trunk-or-treat, 4 ride-alongs, birthday drive-bys.
2. Credit to the medics who assisted with the recent plane crash.
3. Hired 2 new staff.
4. New ambulance on its way.
5. Challenges with COVID vaccination mandate for staff and the impact.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Consultant's Report on CSA 69

EMS Administrator Andy Parr shared the Consultant's Report Scorecard. Discussion followed with Q & A.

B. Progress Report on Dissolution

October 5 and November 2 was the initiation of dissolution of CSA 69. County Fire Assistant Director Jeff Collins provided an update. The application is being finalized with LAFCO and a part of that is engaging with the Assessor/Recorder/County Clerk, due to some mapping and other documents that are needed.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Brown Act requirements for Teleconference Meetings – AB 361: A Resolution Authorizing Teleconferenced Public Meetings Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953

This bill allows for the continuation of Brown Act committees to meet virtually if they choose, through the calendar year 2022, as long as there is a need, or a state of emergency. Must reaffirm every 30 days with a meeting and a quorum.

ACTION: The group was in agreement to support this resolution by meeting either virtually or via hybrid. The vote was approved by majority with no objections or abstains.

VII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

No future agenda items.

VIII. SET NEXT MEETING/ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting is Thursday, February 10, 2022, location TBD. County EMS staff will work with Chair Koval on the location preference for the next meeting.
Meeting was adjourned at 4:52 pm.