

**Minutes**  
**Tri-City Ambulance Board of Directors**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**September 20, 2013**  
**8:30 AM**

Present: Mayor Schielke, Batavia; Ald. Ron Singer, Geneva; Ald. Bill Turner, St. Charles; Mayor Rogina, St. Charles; Gene Olmstead, Batavia Township Fire Protection District

Absent: Ald. Alan Wolff, Batavia; Ald. Richard Marks, Pat Jaeger, Geneva Township;

Also Present: Chief Schelstreet, St. Charles; Chief Deicke, Batavia; Chief Olson, Geneva; Mark Koenen, St. Charles City Administrator; John Schultz, TCA Administrator

Chairman Schielke called a regular meeting of the Tri-City Ambulance Board of Directors to order at 8:30 AM. Roll was called with five members present.

**Minutes of the June 7, 2013 Regular Meeting**

A motion was made by Ald. Turner and seconded by Mayor Rogina to accept the minutes of the June 7, 2013 Regular meeting as presented. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of those members present.

**Receipts and Disbursement Report Presentation**

With no discussion, the report was accepted and placed on file.

**Expenditure Approval Listing**

A motion was made by Ald. Turner and seconded by Ald. Singer to approve the expenditures as presented. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of those members present.

**Reports of Service 1st Quarter 2013**

Mr. Schultz told the Board that patient transports were up by 2% over this time last year and revenue is up 8% over the projection for this time of the budget year. He said Medicare rule have changes in regard to billing could have an effect on the revenue in the future. With no further discussion, the report was accepted and placed on file

**Old Business**

**Billing Rates Discussion** – Mr. Schultz presented documents that outlined the budget impact of rate increases of Resident BLS \$615, ALS1 of \$800 and ALS2 of \$925. The non-resident fees would increase to \$825 for BLS, \$1000 for ALS1 and \$1,150 for ALS2. He said based on the 3-year average numbers used for the projections, an increase of \$269,634 could be expected. Mr. Schultz said this would mean a projected decrease in member contributions of \$94,372 for St. Charles and Batavia, \$72,801 for Geneva, \$2,022 for Geneva Township, and \$6,076 for Batavia Fire Protection District for fiscal year 2014/2015. Mr. Schultz said these would be the numbers used in next year's budget proposal.

Ald. Turner asked if the projected increase of revenue of \$269,000 considered the 76% collection rate. Mr. Schultz replied that it did as he based the projections on the collection rate and the Medicare/Medicaid payout over a three year period.

Ald. Singer asked how TCA rates compared to a private ambulance provider. Mr. Schultz explained that TCA rates are generally lower because the private providers use itemized billing and TCA is based on transport and level of care.

With no further discussion, Ald. Singer made a motion to approve the recommendation of rate increases presented. Ald. Turner seconded. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of those members present.

#### **New Business**

Ald. Singer asked if TCA could solicit membership from other agencies similar to how Tri-Com is operated. Chief Olson said that TCA was established under state law when none of the member agencies had an EMS system. He said any changes would involve changing that state law.

#### **Other Business**

**Accreditation Process Update** – Mr. Schultz reported that the process is moving along and he said TCA is on track to achieve accreditation status in fall of 2014.

**Public Forum** - Nothing to report.

**Executive Session** – No executive session needed.

With no further business, Ald. Singer moved to adjourn the meeting. Ald. Turner seconded. The motion was passed by unanimous voice vote of those members present. The meeting adjourned at 8:55 AM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nonda Anderson, Recording Secretary