

Garrett County Emergency Services Board

Meeting Minutes
For
March 11, 2008

Members present:

Ed McLellan
Dave Betz
Sonny Vincent
John Frank
Sharon Paugh
Brad Frantz
Todd Dyche

Guests:

Monty Pagenhardt
Brian Bowers

A request from Northern Rescue Squad to meet with the County Commissioners was reviewed and discussed by the ESB. Following a lengthy discussion and recommendations Vice-chairman Brad Frantz made a motion that the Commissioners response refer to paragraph #2 in Brian Bowers correspondence dated March 5, 2008, which clearly states the course of action to be followed to comply with RFP#08-0129. That being to return a signed MOU after which any negotiations that is needed will be initiated with the Emergency Services Board., which is an advisory group to the Board of County Commissioners. Therefore, the Board of County Commissioners does not see any purpose to meet to further discuss the approved MOU. This motioned received a second from Sharon Paugh and carried unanimously.

Minutes of the February 12, 2008 meeting were approved on a motion by John Frank and seconded by Sonny Vincent.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Boundary lines between Northern and Southern Rescue Squads was briefly discussed by Brad Frantz. A countywide map designating those lines was also reviewed by the Board.
- Correspondence sent to Southern Rescue regarding their Technical Review and assistance offered by the ESB was reviewed.
- Still awaiting a final response from both rescue squads regarding RFP#08-0129 and their signed MOU's.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Discussion regarding legislation to alter the resolution of boundary line disputes, definition of rescue squads and distribution of County funds revealed that the Garrett County delegation in Annapolis did not choose to respond to these issues at the present time.
- Todd Dyche explained the purpose and function of the Emergency Services Club at Southern High School. It is a Charter Club and presently has 19 members 4 of which are currently actively involved in emergency service organizations in the County. They have developed a mission statement, established 3 goals, and designed a logo and slogan. Plans are being assembled to enable the club to participate in a modified Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) course, field trip to the Department of Public Safety Division of Communications and a presentation by the DPS Division of Emergency Services.
- Any further discussion regarding LOSAP will be tabled until the ESB has resolved any outstanding issues relating to RFP#08-0129.

Next meeting is scheduled for April 8, 2008 at 16:00 hours in the Commissioners conference room.

Terry Spear
Chief
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Division of Emergency Services