



# Garrett County Emergency Services Board 2006-2008

Minutes of 1-12-2009

Members in attendance  
Ed McLellan-Chairman  
Lou Battistella  
Sonny Vincent  
Dave Betz  
Brad Frantz

Guests:  
James Stanton  
Fred Callis

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chairman McLellan.

Minutes of the October 28 meeting were reviewed. Lou Battistella noted an incorrect date and moved to accept with correction; Brad seconded and motion carried.

Brad gave an update on LOSAP, including the criteria established, the process to be used for determining benefits, etc. (carry-over)

Ed updated the Board on the meeting with the Western Maryland delegation regarding pending legislation. He noted that there was no opposition presented during that time and the delegation had few questions or concerns regarding the content of the bills. (carry over)

There was discussion regarding solicitation letters sent out by the Rescue Squads and concern expressed regarding how citizens could determine which Rescue Squad was primarily responsible for their address. Dave Betz made a motion to recommend that the Rescue Squads send out a joint letter with address information included and then determine where responses would be directed. Sonny seconded and the motion carried. (carry over)

There was also discussion about the wording of Northern Rescues solicitation letter and it was suggested that Public Safety respond as a county department and update the Board as appropriate (table)

Lou suggested that the date of future meetings and a tentative agenda be posted on the Public Safety website. The suggestion will be taken to the Commissioners for input. (carry over)

## NEW BUSINESS

The draft response to Northern Rescue's request regarding membership was read and reviewed. Brad moved to accept the letter as written and send the response to Northern. Lou seconded and the motion carried. (drop)

Brad provided an update of activities by the Medical Review Board (drop)

Brad provided an update on the Emergency Services Club and a possible conflict with next year's class schedule. He also updated the Board regarding the Emergency Services scholarship program (carry over)



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James Stanton requested and was granted time to speak to the Board regarding his analysis and opinion of the proposed legislation. He expressed concern that it was poorly written and ambiguous. He provided a copy of his findings for our perusal and review with the County Administrator.

The next scheduled meeting was set for March 10, 2009 at 4:00 in the Commissioners conference room.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.