

**SIOUX FALLS REMSA MINUTES  
JUNE 24, 2020**

The meeting was called to order at 12:00P.M. by Vice Chair Wheeler.

Roll Call

McQuisten: absent, Pankonin: present, Wahlstrom: present, Wheeler: present, Myers: absent

Others present: Alicia Collura, Sandy Frentz, Jeff Garden, Jeff Luther, Stephanie Broderson, Jason Gearman, Amy Marsh, Mark Bukovich, Mike Bureau, Brian Christiaansen, Scott McMahon, Justin Faber, Julie Charbonneau

Approval of minutes

- 20-15 Motion by Wahlstrom, seconded by Pankonin, to approve the minutes of the May 27, 2020, meeting as distributed. Vote was as follows: McQuisten: absent, Pankonin: yes, Wahlstrom: yes, Wheeler: yes, Myers: absent.

New business

PatientCare EMS has requested a three percent rate increase. The current ambulance contract (RFP, page 41) states, "The annual rate increases will be the greater of three (3) percent or the increase of the CPI for any given year. All changes in the transport fees must be approved by City/REMSA."

The CPI increase for All Urban Consumers for 12 months ending May 2020 (most recent available) is 0.1% and so the 3% adjustment is applicable.

After the requested three percent (3%) increase, rates will be as follows:

Emergency Base Rate (ALS & BLS)	\$1333.17
ALS Non-Emergency Base Rate	\$1008.57
BLS Non-Emergency Base Rate	\$753.54
Mileage per Loaded Patient Mile	\$23.20
Oxygen	\$52.17
Treat, Non-Transport	\$202.88

The board discussed the rate request, reviewed the CPI, reviewed contract language and compared the requested rates to the current rates.

- 20-16 Motion by Pankonin, seconded by Wahlstrom, to approve the requested rate increase and forward to the City. Vote was as follows: McQuisten: absent, Pankonin: yes, Wahlstrom: yes, Wheeler: yes, Myers: absent.

An annual contract performance report is required by contract. A draft report was distributed and reviewed followed by discussion.

- 20-17 Motion by Wahlstrom, seconded by Pankonin, to approve the Ambulance Performance Report. Vote was as follows: McQuisten: absent, Pankonin: yes, Wahlstrom: yes, Wheeler: yes, Myers: absent.

2019 CARES data was presented and discussed

The Medical Board has approved a change in the EMS protocols for a ketamine dose.

- 20-18 Motion by Pankonin, seconded by Wheeler, to adopt the EMS Protocols, version 1.1. Vote was as follows: McQuisten: absent, Pankonin: yes, Wahlstrom: yes, Wheeler: yes, Myers: absent.

Provider Reports

Metro – Hiring continues. COVID screening continues. Design work continues on the new facility.

Sioux Falls PD – Caption Garden noted that the Police Department is receiving great community support. Hiring continues.

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Sioux Falls Fire Rescue –New cadets are on the floor now. There have been several retirements so there will be an exam in the fall for the next hiring process. Working on budget. Station 12 is under construction.

PatientCare EMS – Mike Bureau presented the monthly report covering accreditation, technology status, hospital interactions, retention, hiring/training, accreditation and community events. Mike noted that the additional resources brought into the system for COVID response are still here.

Compliance Report

Mike Bureau reported May response times. Julie Charbonneau noted that response times were reviewed and found to be within contractual requirements.

Board of Health Report

No meeting this month.

Executive Secretary

Discussed call volumes, COVID response and upcoming case review.

Medical Director

Dr. Luther noted that the quality review process continues and that EMS quality remains high. New Paramedic testing in ongoing.

Public input

Call for public input, none received.

Adjournment

20-19 Motion to adjourn by McQuisten, seconded by Myers. Meeting adjourned at 12:50 P.M.

Submitted by

Approved by

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Julie Charbonneau  
Executive Director/Executive Secretary

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Gary Myers  
Chair