

E.M.S. BOARD OF CONTROL  
GRIFFITH, INDIANA

**Open Meeting and Roll Call:**

Regular meeting, January 18, 2023, opened at 6:00 p.m.  
E.M.S. Board members present at this meeting: Robert Bubala and Dorothy Soverly. Also present, Melissa Robbins, our liaison from the Town Council. Superior Ambulance represented by Jeff Collins and Janiece Cox.

**Review/Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting:**

Minutes of the previous meeting, December 21, 2022, accepted as published.

**Old Business:**

K-9 Medical Support Status: Janiece Cox reported that nothing is new from previous meeting. (Protocol is being developed by the St. Mary Medical Center Medical Director.)  
Open EMS Board Position: Curtis Adams to be nominated at Town Council meeting, February 7, 2023. Curtis was introduced to those present.

**New Business:**

Robert Bubala reported that Calumet Township EMS to begin service January 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
Quarterly Report:  
Robert Bubala stated that the 1st quarter report from Superior would be due April 2023.

Overview and Observations of Response Time Reports:

**December 2022:**

Total Runs/Calls: 175; Total Transports: 89; Response Delays: 69; Total to Pt Average: 5:51.  
Total Mutual Aid Runs for 3161: 30; Lift Assists: 6.  
Robert Bubala reported: Nothing stands out at this time as problematic. Jeff Collins noted that difficult weather situations experienced but they were handled well.

**Runs for 2022:**

Total runs for 3161 as of December: 2086.  
Total mutual aid runs for 3161 as of December: 482.  
Robert Bubala to provide a full review of call totals; noted that in comparison to the State average for EMS response, Superior came in 2 minutes under (6:50 vs 4:50).

**Surveys:** Robert Bubala stated a frequent concern noted on surveys was the charge of a lift assist. The response to comments has been the cost is the charge for EMS to respond for service. Jeff Collins reported that new values will be established in Indiana where Insurance companies need to pay a portion of calls. Superior will continue to work with patients regarding the payment.

**Miscellaneous:** Dorothy Soverly noted that the criteria for delayed response to calls will be 7 minutes or greater beginning with January 2023 data, not the previous time of 5 minutes or greater.

**Questions from the Floor:** None

**The next regular meeting** is scheduled for Wednesday, February 15, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. with Study session at 5:30pm.  
This meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

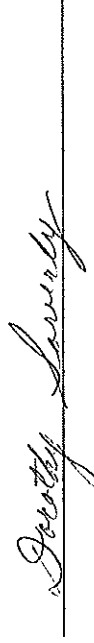
The following members of the E.M.S. Board were present at this meeting:

Robert Bubala



Helen Toweson

Dorothy Soverly



Respectively submitted, Dorothy Soverly, Secretary