

**The Minutes of the 573<sup>rd</sup> Meeting  
of the ROCK TOWNSHIP AMBULANCE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
August 27, 2025**

**OPEN MEETING:**

The 573<sup>rd</sup> regular monthly meeting of the Rock Township Ambulance District Board of Directors was called to order by Chairperson Tara Mueller at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was conducted at Station 4.

**ROLL CALL:**

Directors and Administrative Personnel – Secretary Mandy Dockery conducted a roll call of those in attendance. In addition to herself, Chairperson Tara Mueller, Vice-Chairperson Jeremy Day, Director Lynne Ruzicka, Director Paul Horn, Chief Jerry Appleton, Assistant Chief Andrew West, Deputy Chief Sheila Buchheit, Chief Training Officer Corey Golec, Office Manager Jennifer Ello, Mr. Mark Bishop, Legal Counsel for the District, and Mr. Rick Rognan, Treasurer for the District, were present. Director Mark Paul was expected to arrive late.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**VISITORS AND GUESTS:**

Acknowledgement – Chairperson Mueller welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Public Comments – There were none.

**MEETING MINUTES:**

Approval of the 572<sup>nd</sup> Meeting Minutes from July 23, 2025 – Vice-Chairperson Day motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Director Ruzicka seconded. There being no discussion, a vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously, 4 to 0, with Secretary Dockery abstaining.

**FINANCIALS:**

July 2025 Treasurer's Report – Mr. Rognan reviewed the revenues and expenditures, and year-to-date balances of each, through the end of July. The District is 2.23%, about \$225,000.00, under budget at this time.

Vice-Chairperson Day motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report, to pay all bills, and to approve all payroll expenditures. Secretary Dockery seconded. There being no discussion, a vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously, 5 to 0.

August 2025 Cancellation Report – The Directors reviewed the detailed report which represented August assignments to the collection agency by EMS/MC. There were 155 accounts, from 2024 and 2025, totaling \$70,430.68.

Chairperson Mueller motioned to approve the Cancellation Report as presented. Vice-Chairperson Day seconded. There being no discussion, a vote was taken, and the motion passed by majority, 4 to 1.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Chief's Comments – In addition to the Chiefs' reports that were provided, Chief Appleton informed the group that CTO Golec will be holding a "First on Scene" class, Monday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. Also, beginning with next month's meeting, the District will be using "Teams" instead of "GoToMeeting" for virtual meeting access.

Review Completed Patient Surveys – There were none.

Union Business-Shop Steward, Ashley Denman – Ms. Denman stated that with negotiations beginning, she will have a letter to present to the Board next month.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Station 3 & 4 Construction – Chief Appleton reported that initial costs, for Station 3 renovations, came back quite high. Value engineering is occurring. Mr. Jerrod Joggerst, of FGM, will attend and present at the September meeting.

Station 5 is getting close. Occupancy is expected in early October.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Resolution 2025-05: Ethics-Conflict of Interest – Mr. Bishop explained the purpose of the resolution and informed the Board that it needs to be adopted every two years.

Vice-Chairperson Day motioned to adopt Resolution 2025-05, “A resolution of Rock Township Ambulance District, Missouri, to establish a procedure to disclose potential conflicts of interest and substantial interests for certain individuals.” Director Ruzicka seconded the motion. There being no discussion, a vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously, 5 to 0.

Stryker-LifePak 35 Bid – Assistant Chief West explained that, as part of the Capital Improvement Plan, the LifePaks are nearing their seven-year end of life and will need to be replaced. Stryker sales representative Ms. Christina Elias, was in attendance and welcomed to the meeting. She gave an overview and demonstration of the Stryker LifePak 35.

*Director Mark Paul arrived at 6:20 p.m.*

A group discussion ensued. Stryker will allow the District to maintain current pricing for the purchase of the LifePaks now and then take delivery and pay next year. Further discussion occurred.

Director Ruzicka motioned to approve the purchase of 12 LifePak 35s, with the 7-year ProCare warranty, for \$719,504.00, per the Stryker bid presented. Director Paul seconded. There being no discussion, a vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously, 6 to 0.

Proposed Public Hearing Notice to Set the 2025 Tax Rates – Mr. Rognan reviewed the Public Hearing Notice and explained each section on the document. The proposed General tax rate to be set is \$.0232 and the Debt Service tax rate is \$.1000, totaling \$.1232, which is lower than 2024. He is requesting the Board’s approval to post and publish the notice.

Chairperson Mueller made a motion approving the posting and publishing of the Public Hearing Notice as presented. Vice-Chairperson Day seconded. There being no discussion, a vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously, 6 to 0.

**GOOD AND WELFARE:**

Acknowledgement of employee promotion and service – Chief Appleton announced the following service anniversaries for August:

Mr. CJ Wallweber, Paramedic, Mr. Kyle Moyers, Paramedic, and Mr. Nathan Baird, Paramedic, three (3) years; and Mr. Mike Moormann, Paramedic, and Ms. Jessica Clark, Paramedic, ten (10) years.

**CLOSING COMMENTS:**

Director Horn hopes everyone has a good holiday.

Chairperson Mueller gave thanks for all of the good service and hopes everyone has a good holiday.

Director Paul hopes everyone enjoys the good weather we’re having.

**NEXT MEETING:**

The next regular monthly meeting date was set for Wednesday, September 24, 2025, immediately following a 6:00 p.m. Public Hearing, at Station 4.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Vice-Chairperson Day made a motion to adjourn. Director Horn seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously, 6 to 0, at 6:41 p.m.

  
Mandy Dockery - Secretary of the Board

Board approved, signed, and sealed on this date: 09/24/25

