

MEETING SUMMARY

January 9, 2024

Suffolk County Fire Academy, Yaphank, NY 11980

NOTE: This summary is a draft summary until approved at the March 12, 2024, meeting.

Members Present: See attendance list, provided as *attachment 1*.

Meeting opened at 1900hrs with Chairman Manzi presiding. Secretary Hannigan verified that a quorum was present, and official business could be conducted. Chairman Manzi led the group in the pledge of allegiance, followed by a moment of silence.

At this point, Chairman Manzi took the meeting out of order and reported that there was a Transfer of Authority (TOA) vote to be handled at the current meeting of the Council. He then turned the floor over to Vice Chairman Boyd for further information on this matter.

Mr. Boyd reported the following:

- *It is the responsibility of the REMSCO to handle Certificate of Need (CON) applications and Transfer of Operating Authority (TOA) applications. What is before the Council this evening is one TOA application.*
- *The TOA application is from the Setauket Fire Department, to turn their ambulance services over to the Setauket Fire District. This is almost identical to the several that the REMSCO has done recently.*

*A seconded motion was presented by the Suffolk REMSCO Resource Needs Committee for the approval of the Transfer of Operating Authority (TOA) application from the Setauket Fire Department to the Setauket Fire District. Secretary Hannigan performed a roll-call vote, and the motion carried unanimously. The record of the motion is provided as *attachment 2*.*

Vice Chairman Boyd expressed his thanks to the Council. Following the TOA application vote, the court reporter was released.

A motion was made by Mr. Franz, seconded by Dr. Acosta, to accept the November 14, 2023, Meeting Summary, as posted. The motion carried.

Executive Officer's Report – J. Manzi

- Chairman Manzi welcomed members and wished everyone a happy new year, and as bad weather is expected, the meeting will be kept brief.
- The CPR awards will potentially be on February 17th, 2024, but he is still looking for a location.
- Mr. Manzi inquired when the audio of the last meeting might be up on the REMSCO website, as our website host was having temporary difficulty with streaming and video, Mr. Masterton reported that the issue has been resolved, and should be posted soon.
- Dr. Winslow asked permission to remove recordings after six months, as the vendor recommended allowing for optimal function of the website. The motion was made by Mr. Masterton, seconded by Mr. Cammann, passed without opposition.

Vice Chairman's Report – E. Boyd

- Vice Chairman Boyd reported that he has no items other than the TOA for tonight's meeting.

Budget – M. Zender (absent, read by Secretary J. Hannigan)

- The balance in the account is \$25,402.22 with two checks incoming (\$60 and \$1875.13) and two checks outgoing (\$319 and \$35.25) for a net balance of \$26,983.10.
- Mr. Manzi asked for a motion to accept the treasurer's report, motion made by Mr. Marra, seconded by Mr. Edouard, and passed without opposition.

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Correspondence – Distributed

Correspondence for January 9, 2023, Suffolk REMSCO Meeting

Incoming – date; from whom; subject

12/13/2023; The Lau Family; holiday card to REMSCO
 12/14/2023 to 12/18/2023; REMSCO Executive Committee Members; approval of proposed updated fee schedule to include expansion of operating authority
 12/22/2023; Northport-E. Northport UFSD; (M. Dantuono); Notice of Intent to Provide Public Access Defibrillation and Collaborative Agreement
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 12/22/2023; Springs UFSD; (J. King); Notice of Intent to Provide Public Access Defibrillation and Collaborative Agreement
 12/26/2023; P. Marra; an Expansion of Operating Authority from the Village of East Hampton has been submitted, a public hearing is needed
 12/27/2023; P. Marra; message from NYS, the (above) application was received, The NYS DOH Division of Legal Affairs is reviewing whether a NYS local municipality can legally expand under Article 30PHL beyond their jurisdictional boundaries, will advise
 01/04/2024; WM. Masterton; notice that Infrastructure Solutions, Inc. is currently unable to support video streaming on the Suffolk REMSCO Website; a solution is being worked on and is pending
 01/04/2024; A. Pelicone; asking for link to REMSCO and REMAC meeting recordings

Outgoing – date; to whom; subject

12/14/2023; J. Hannigan to REMSCO Executive Committee Members; approval of updated fee schedule to include expansion of operating authority
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12/27/2023; J. Hannigan to M. Zender; checks for deposit and checks needing signatures for bills are in the office when convenient, including first quarter reimbursement from the state

01/04/2024; J. Hannigan to A. Pelicone; Infrastructure Solutions, Inc. is currently unable to support video streaming on the Suffolk REMSCO Website; a solution is being worked on and is pending

01/04/2024; J. Hannigan to REMSCO; meeting reminder and November minutes

01/06/2023; D. Wayrich to Chief Bagozzi; NOIs from 4th quarter for the Public Access Defibrillation and Collaborative Agreement

End of January 9, 2023, Correspondence

Suffolk County EMS Division Staff Reports – Dr. Winslow / W. M. Masterton / P. Marra

- Mr. Marra reported the following:
 - St Catherines Hospital, Smithtown will discontinue offering obstetrics (OB) Services effective February 1, 2024, bringing the number of hospitals to 4 that will not have OB services. The other Hospitals include Eastern Long Island, Mather Hospital, and Long Island Community Hospital. The division will be putting out a notification to system agencies shortly.
 - Stony Brook Hospital and North Amityville Fire Company Contract will end on February 28, 2024, CHSLI/AMR has submitted a Letter of Intent to continue the service Effective, March 1, 2024. He asks that CHSLI/AMR to bring a fully executed MOU to the next REMSCO meeting. Mr. Marra requests a motion to support the Letter of Intent so the agencies may move forward with the MOU. The motion was seconded by Hon. Donnelly and passed without opposition. The letter is attached here as *attachment 3*.
 - E-bridge training will be available for Miller Place and Coram, we are in the process of scheduling dates and times. Mr. Marra was asked if all the features were turned on. Mr. Marra replied that currently STEMI, trauma, and stroke notifications are being utilized, but not everything is yet turned on, as they are being worked on.
 - Agencies that have expired Cyano Kits should remove them from service and purchase replacements. Current grant funding will only allow the county to replenish caches that have been strategically placed around the County. If any agencies have any questions about the county caches, they should reach out to Division. Agencies are reminded that they all have access to these caches, and kits are available.
 - We will be participating in two upcoming MCI Drills with our partners at Long Island Community Hospital and Southampton Hospital. We will be providing Triage training to the agencies that will be attending prior to the drill. The goal will be to share this training with each township soon. Any agencies that would like to host a training should reach out to Division.
- Dr Winslow reported the following:
 - As SEMAC did not meet due to a lack of quorum, there is no State Council Report. The annual update to the NYS Collaborative protocols will have to wait until February to be discussed and approved by SEMAC. In the meantime, the REMAC protocol subcommittee will begin work on educational material

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for this update. DR. Winslow thanks Dr. Trevor Marshall for all his hard work on the protocols and working closely with the Collaborative Working Group on an ongoing basis.

- The Program Agency contract with Suffolk County EMS has been executed with New York State, and (two weeks ago) we submitted our First Quarter report and claim for payment. Dr. Winslow thanks Raegin Kellermann for all her help and assistance with the Program Agency work that is very important to the EMS system here in Suffolk County. The Second Quarter report is due at the end of January. For the rest of 2024, members of the Suffolk County Program Agency will be available to meet with anyone from the Suffolk County REMSCO and REMAC on the night of each meeting at 6pm here at the Division offices to see how the Program Agency can better assist the REMSCO and the REMAC.
- From the Public Health aspect, the NYS DOH has reported substantial increases in cases of influenza and coronavirus over the last few weeks. Several of the area hospitals have noted a significant increase in serious cases of coronavirus and influenza requiring hospitalization. With the increased number of patients with infectious viral illness at the hospitals, the hospitals have also observed a sharp increase in the number of their staff members who have contracted a viral illness, and this has resulted in some staffing shortages at a few of the hospitals. Also, there has been a sharp increase in the number of cases of Pertussis (which is whooping cough and presents with similar symptoms of viral syndrome). And that is a concern for neonates and very young children and for immune compromised persons who may be at increased risk for serious illness. Currently, the hospitals have requested that EMS providers wear masks and place a mask on patients when arriving at the area Emergency Departments. With the increase in the case numbers of coronavirus, influenza, and pertussis, wearing a mask should always be considered by EMS providers while caring for patients.
- Mr. Masterton reported the following on EMS Education courses:
 - Currently the Suffolk County EMS Division has seven EMT Original Courses up and running and one Basic Refresher Course that just finished. The EMS Division has two more EMT Original Courses posted, a Paramedic Refresher and an EMT Refresher that will be starting in January/February. All the Fall EMS courses being offered in the Region are posted on the Suffolk REMSCO website under the “Training Courses” tab. We had two original courses that we had to cancel due to low registration, a MIFD weeknight Original and a SCEMS Rapid daytime original course. Students were moved into other available courses. Please check the Suffolk REMSCO website for registration and listings of all the EMT courses being offered throughout the County.
 - The Division is working on offering another Advanced Airway Courses in February and several online ALS Preceptor class for applicants that have already been approved We are currently working with Regional Faculty on a date/time for a three-hour official BEMS instructor update.
 - The EMS Division is pleased to announce that we will be holding a new AHA Hybrid Refresher ACLS Course on February 20th, 2024. This course will have an on-line portion and four-hour in-person skills and exam. The cost is \$ 135.00 for EMS Providers. We plan on offering these classes monthly as well as a new AHA Hybrid Refresher PALS course every other month.
 - The SCEMS Division Instructor Per-Diem contracts have been sent out for renewal and these new contracts will now be five years from 2024-2029.
 - The FASNY 2024 EMS Conference will be Friday and Saturday January 26th and 27th at the Selden FD. The SCEMS Division will again be providing CME at the EMS Pre-Conference held on Friday 1/26/23 9am-5pm. Registration at 8:30am. 2 hrs. of Cardiac and 2 hrs. of Shock & Recitation along with 1 hour non-core mandatory and 1 hour of non-core. Please check the REMSCO Website for registration.
 - Pilot Recruitment & Retention EMT Course Funding Program would provide EMTs with reimbursement. EMTs that paid for their EMT training directly and then worked/volunteer consecutively for 12 months for a NYS licensed EMS Agency providing direct patient care are eligible. Providers must have taken the course from a NYS course sponsor and obtained their initial certification within the past 24 months. Funding is \$850 per student. Information can be found on the Protocol page under the “New York State Policy Statements” tab 23-08.B: New Pilot Educational Programs.

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- The Division is pleased to announce we have a new email address to receive Quality Assurance and Quality Improvement documents and EMS charts: QAQI@suffolkcountyny.gov. We ask that you the new email for reporting QA/QI issues.
- The updated NYS Quality Improvement for Prehospital Clinicians Manual has been final been published. It can be found on the NYS BEMS&T website under the “Operation” tab or on the Suffolk REMSCO website under Downloads and Forms. Here is the link:
https://www.health.ny.gov/professionals/ems/pdf/quality_improvement_for_prehospital_providers.pdf
- Several QI Cases were reviewed with assistance from the Agency QA/QI Officers and Agency Medical Directors. All the corrective actions with the Providers were done by or approved by the Agency Medical Directors. Areas that were reviewed: STEMI Notification, Medication errors, Medical Control contract and notifications and RMAs. No trends were identified. We had several Agency Medical restrictions within the agency with the required training for provider and they were reinstated within the agency.
- NYS BEMS&T Data and Informatics Team will be holding a NEMSIS 3.5.0 Feedback Session at the West Islip Fire Department on Wednesday January 17th, 2024, from 9am-3:30pm. Thank you to the West Islip F.D. for hosting this session for the Nassau and Suffolk County EMS Regions. These sessions are intended to provide the opportunity for EMS Agency Leaders, EMS ePCR Coordinators, EMS Quality Managers, and EMS Providers the opportunity to take a hands-on approach to seeing how the standard has been set and to provide direct and candid feedback as to how the standard could improve in the field. Registration link is:
<https://apps.health.ny.gov/pubpal/builder/survey/nemsis-3-5-0-feedback-session-re>
- We have added two new RSI Agencies in the Suffolk County EMS System. Riverhead Ambulance and Lake Ronkonkoma F.D. All the RSI Paramedics are receiving renewal training with the additional “Surgical Cricothyrotomy” that will go into effect once the RSI Medic has been trained on midnight of 1/1/2024.
- Regional Agency Credentialing: (not read at the meeting, supplied in report to secretary) (2023 numbers) current BLS 12-Lead Agencies: 68 (+10); current BLS CPAP Agencies: 56 (+17); current RSI Agencies: 31(+4). There are also 1,020 Public Access to Defibrillation Agreements in the county. Regional ALS and BLS Credentialing: CFR: 33 (+1); BLS: 5,137 (+521); CC: 141 (-5); Paramedic: 925 (+262); Total = 6,236 (ALS Total = 1,066)
- Mr. Masterton further reported the following updates regarding State Council:
 - The New York State Council Meetings were held in Troy, NY on December 5th and 6th, 2023. The State Council Delegates Report will be posted on the homepage of the Suffolk REMSCO website. Some of the highlights include:
 - Director Greenberg thanked the State Council for their service to EMS and is hopeful for increased funding and support of EMS in 2024 from the Governor’s office as Governor Hochul has been very supportive and attentive to EMS in the last year. The EMS self-assessment survey is a great tool to get EMS agencies ready for inspections and is currently available for submission by the agency and review by the Bureau staff.
 - The Program Agency and REMSCO contracts have been executed and payments have been made to regional partners throughout the State. The NEMSIS data set version 3.5 will be coming out soon to be implemented by EMS agencies by June 30, 2024. There is a call for speakers for the 2024 Vital Signs Conference.
 - The SEMAC and SEMSCO are working with the Bureau on the development of blood transfusion regulations. The Rural Health Task Force for the 44 counties in New York State with populations under 200,000 persons has begun having meetings to work on how to increase funding staffing and support for EMS systems in rural areas. Dr Smith from the Office of Mental Health attended the meeting and spoke about ongoing programs to assist mental health resources in the State. He commented that there has been an increase in the need for mental health resources and that often EMS is tasked with caring for these types of patients in crisis. The State has increased funding and implemented mobile mental health crisis teams throughout the State to address this issue in addition to additional funding and support for hospital-based and clinic-outpatient based mental health providers and programs. He thanked the SEMSCO and the EMS

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community for their attention to and caring for the many patients with mental health needs that frequently call upon EMS for assistance. The Director thanked Dr Smith for his attendance and his support of EMS. There is a new MOLST policy and a training video that is nearly complete and when finished will be shared with regional REMACs as an educational tool.

- The Bureau reminds EMS agencies that the responsibility for the successful submission of appropriately completed ePCRs to the destination facilities for transports and to the NYS ePCR repository is the direct responsibility of the EMS agency. Any questions on this topic may be sent to EMSData@health.ny.gov.
- New EMS Education regulations are posted for public comment. Copies and links were emailed to all Suffolk REMSCO/REMAC Members and appear in the “NYS Register”. Public comment will be received until: “60 days after publication of this notice”. Email: regsqa@health.ny.gov with constructive comments. After Public comment they will return to the SEMSCO/SEMAC to be approved.
- Discussion of the sunset of the EMT-Critical Care was lengthy and a motion was made to move all EMT-CC credentialed providers to the AEMT level of credentialing on 7/1/2027. The motions were moved over to Med Standards for discussion at the next meeting of Med Standards. There was some discussion about the development of new Practical Skills Examinations for both BLS and ALS providers but at the present time there is no change in the PSE process or forms. New NYS BEMS posted new Policy Statement (23-12) MOLST Form. The new MOLST form and associated education module accessible to all providers via “NYS EMS Vital Signs Academy”. <https://collaboration.net/nyems>
https://www.health.ny.gov/professionals/patients/patient_rights/molst/
- Training and Ed Chairmen, Donald Hudson stated the SEMSCO continues to discuss and plan for the sunset of the EMT-CC level of care. The enrollment in the April 2024 EMT-CC to Paramedic Bridge will be telling to see what the potential future may hold. There will be an online survey to gain feedback and comments. He will let everyone know when it is available. Below is the current text of the recommendations of the NYS EMS Training and Education Committee for the planned sunset of the EMT-CC level for NY; This was voted on and passed unanimously at the T&E committee and then forwarded to SEMSCO for comment. To gain the most open and transparent look at this, and to gain the vital guidance of Medical Directors; it was sent to Medical Standards and SEMAC for their endorsement at the February meetings. “Commensurate with the acknowledged concerns regarding curriculum, scope of practice and comparable National Standards; while also allowing providers, agencies, and regions to prepare the sunset of the NYS EMT-CC should follow this process and timeframe:
 - All expired EMT-CC can continue to refresh at the AEMT level via established processes indefinitely.
 - The final EMT-CC to Paramedic Bridge shall commence in April 2026, thus, to coincide with the below.
 - The ALS Collaborative protocols will remove the EMT-CC level of care when implemented on the annual revision timeline- 0000 hrs. on July 1st, 2027.
 - All currently certified NYS EMT-CC shall expire at 0000 hrs. on July 1st, 2027, and be automatically recertified at that time at the AEMT level for the duration of their current cycle.
 - All ePCR platforms in use in NYS shall reflect each previously certified EMT-CC by their new level at 0000 hrs. on July 1st, 2027. “
- SEMAC and Medical Standards committees did not meet due to a lack of quorum. Dr Doynow, Chair of the SEMAC stated that there is a slow vetting process for new members and that several current members have not been attending the meetings. He noted that the SEMAC will begin to meet virtually in between the in person SEMAC meetings to try to address the issue of quorum and the State noted that the vetting process is slow, and they will work on speeding up the process. Dr Raybrich from St Luke’s Roosevelt will be the new Chair of the Medical Standards Committee. Dr Doynow will continue to Chair the SEMAC.

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- A Motion passed to draft and share with the State Council a presentation on the current challenges in EMS in terms of funding, staffing and recruitment and retention, and for payment for service and staffing salaries. This document will be shared through the Boardable platform and available to share with local government, insurance leadership and hospital and health care system leadership. Motion passed to recommend increased funding for EMS in terms of education and training, regional REMSCOs and regional Program Agencies. The increases are 5% for training and education, 28% for regional Program Agencies and 11% for regional REMSCOs and is a total of over 11 million dollars. The Finance and Training & Education Committees surveyed the course sponsors to gather funding recommendations for the Bureau. As a result, EMS course funding has increased twice this year. Funding for EMT Original courses increased by 38%, and funding for AEMT-Original courses increased by 80%. In addition, a new funding pilot program was introduced to reimburse EMT students who paid for their course and completed 12 months of service with an EMS agency. For more details, please refer to updates 23-08.B and 23-09.B
- Development of the new Quality Improvement Manual is now complete. All EMS agencies are encouraged to review the document as a means of improving their agency QI programs. All regional REMACs and regional Program Agencies were encouraged to review the document as a means of improving regional QI programs. There was discussion about the BLS Igel Pilot program and currently there are over 140 EMS agencies in the pilot program and over 1000 EMTs have been trained. It was noted that there has been a total of only 110 uses of the Igel by EMTs and that there has been some difficulty with data collection on the cases.
- After a long discussion and an executive session, Several Con Actions were tabled for an opinion for the SEMSCO from DLA on Scarsdale, Ossining. The Town of Alden and the Village of Alden were both upheld.
- Motion passed to update the regulations regarding parts of Part 800 such as emergency vehicle operations and speeds, use of warning lights and sirens, EMS provider fatigue and length of time of shift work hours and other adjustments. A working group was formed for the development of an all-hazards disaster situation response for EMS across the State. This addresses new changes to Article 30 about the EMS Task Force development and implementation. A working was formed specifically to address the issue of warning lights and siren use with the goal to educate EMS agencies across the state on the dangers of emergency vehicle response with excessive speeds and use of warning lights and sirens that may lead to vehicle crashes.
- There were no new candidates for SEMSCO officer positions and therefore all three SEMSCO officers were unanimously re-elected. Chair -Michael McEvoy 1st Vice Chair-David Violante and 2nd Vice Chair- Teresa Hamilton
- 2024 SEMAC/SEMSCO meeting schedule: February 6th and 7th 2024, May 7th and 8th 2024, September 17th and 18th 2024, and December 3rd and 4th 2024.
- Mr. Manzi asked if there has been any progress on ESO, and there has not. Mr. Masterton recommends attending the information session (above) on January 17th, 2024.

Resource Needs – E. Boyd

- Vice Chairman Boyd reported that the TOA for the night is completed, and he has nothing further to report.

Public Information Committee – P. Cammann

- Mr. Cammann reported that work on the next REMSCO Awards will begin soon.

Nominations Committee – S. Slovensky

- Mr. Slovensky reported that he has nothing new to report.

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Performance Improvement – B. Talmage

- Mr. Talmage reported that he has nothing new to report.

REMAC – Dr. Acosta

- Dr. Acosta reported that only two agency medical directors took the credentialing course, and neither of them are seeking reimbursement from REMSCO.
- Saint Catherines Hospital is hosting a community forum regarding the changes in OB care at the Smithtown FD on the 18th, from 6 to 8 PM. Mr. Manzi asked if this change is something that REMSCO needs to get involved in, and it is not.

Legislative – R. Franz

- Mr. Franz reported the following two bills were passed by the Senate and Assembly and signed by Governor Hochul:
 - Bill # S1466 (Breslin) / A0250A (Magarelli) This bill authorizes payments to non-participating providers of ambulance services licensed under article 30 of the public health law. The effective date is January 1, 2025.
 - Bill # S7242A (Martinez) / A07613 (Stern) This bill provides members employed as an emergency medical technician, critical care technician, advanced emergency medical technician, paramedic or supervisor of such titles in a participating Suffolk County fire district with the eligibility to retire upon the completion of twenty-five years of total creditable service.
- Copies were distributed at the REMAC meeting (available on table) of a Fire News January 2024 notice for an urgent meeting on Wednesday February 28, 2024, at 7PM by The Nassau / Suffolk Legislative Committee for a frank discussion on the future of Ambulance Service in Fire & EMS. The meeting is being held at the South Country Ambulance Company.

Education and Training Committee – WM. Masterton

- Copies of the Suffolk REMSCO Course Sponsor 2023 Surveys along with the 2021 and 2022 Surveys were sent to Drew Chesney, Education Unit Chief and Kevin Lynch, Unit Chief-Education.
- We will be looking to hold a Training & Education Committee meeting via MS Teams in late January (Possibly the evening of January 25th, 2024, to discuss the REMSCO “Tom Lateulere” EMS Conference in April of 2024 and to discuss the New Proposed EMS Education regulations. We need to look at and discuss some issues in the regulations on the Course Sponsor Renewals, Course Sponsor approvals and Outside Course Sponsors offering Courses in Suffolk along with ideas on a Regional Training Plan. I would like to invite the BEMS Educational Staff members Drew Chesney, Education Unit Chief and Kevin Lynch to just sit in and possibly answer questions from the Committee if needed. I will send an invitation to all REMSCO Members when the date is completed.
- Save the date and a call to speaker announcements for the April Tom Lateulere EMS Conference. Any interested parties are requested to submit their information to Secretary Hannigan.

Old Business

- None

New Business

- Mr. Masterton reported that last year the Suffolk County EMS Training Center (American Heart Association) gave out 4,338 cards, which is up 1,142 from last year.

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- Mr. Boyd reported the Kevin Pesche is retiring from Medical Control, and he wishes to recognize his years of service to REMSCO and Medical Control.

There being no further business to come before the council, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Slovinsky, seconded by Dr. Winslow, at 1942 hrs.

**Next meeting of the Suffolk Regional EMS Council will be on
Tuesday, March 12, 2024
7:00 PM
Suffolk County EMS, 360 Yaphank Ave., Yaphank, NY 11980**

ATTACHMENTS TO FOLLOW

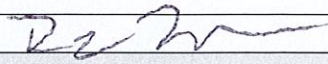
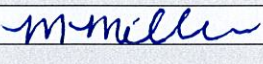
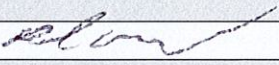
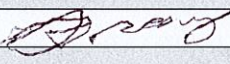

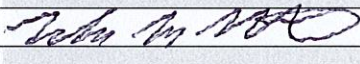
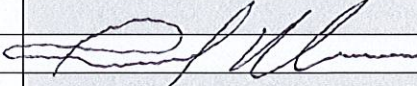
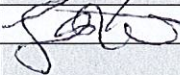
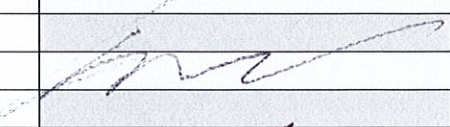
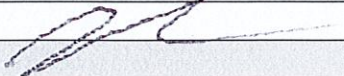
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SUFFOLK REGIONAL EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL

MEETING ATTENDANCE LIST

Date: January 9, 2024

Location: Suffolk County EMS, Yaphank

Constituency	Representative/ Alternate	Signature
UCP of Greater Suffolk	Robin Lane	
	Patricia Caso	
Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council	Michele Miller	
	Frank Milza	
Commercial Transport Sector	George Pansy	
East End Ambulance Coalition	Philip Cammann	
Fire Island Law Enforcement and Safety Coalition	Ian Levine	Excused
North Fork Volunteer Rescue Association	Jerry Diffley	
	Peggy Killian	
NYS Society of Physician Assistants	Mark Zender, PA-C	Excused
NYSVARA, District 7	Robert Franz	
	Edward Merchant	
Sun River Health	Angelo Viera	
	Carlos Ortiz	
Southampton Town EMS Advisory Committee	Bruce Hoffman	
	Ian King	
Suffolk County Ambulance Chiefs Association	Bruce Talmage	
	Amanda Zinicki-Ceckowski	
Suffolk County Department of Health Services Commissioner	Mike Masterton	
	Dina Wayrich	
Suffolk County Community College	Matt Zukosky	
	Jena Canavan, RN	
Suffolk County EMS Coordinator	Paul Marra	
Suffolk County EMS Medical Director	Dr. Jason Winslow	
Suffolk County Emergency Nurses Association	Connie Kraft, RN	
Suffolk County Fire Chiefs Council	Edward Boyd, Esq.	
Suffolk County Fire District Association	John Manzi	
	Raymond Reilly	

Suffolk Regional Emergency Medical Services Council

Roll Call Vote to: Approve the TOA application of the Setauket Fire Department to the Setauket Fire District

Date: 01/09/2024

Location: Suffolk County EMS, Yaphank

Name	Affiliation	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Recusal
Dr. Juan Acosta	Suffolk County REMAC	X				
Jamie Atkinson	Islip Ambulance Chiefs Association				X	
Edward Boyd, Esq.	Suffolk County Fire Chiefs Council	X				
Phillip Cammann	East End Ambulance Coalition	X				
Dr. Eric Decena	Catholic Health Services of Long Island				X	
Jerry Diffley	North Fork Volunteer Rescue Association				X	
Hon. Tom Donnelly	Suffolk County Legislature	X				
Robert Franz	7th District NYSVA & RA	X				
Susan Henderson	Regional Trauma Advisory Committee				X	
Bruce Hoffman	S.H. Town Medical Advisory Comm				X	
Connie Kraft, RN	Suffolk County ENA				X	
Robin Lane	UCP of Suffolk County	X				
Ian Levine	Fire Island Safety and Law Enforcement				X	
John Manzi	Suffolk County Fire District Officer's Assn.	X				
Paul Marra	Suffolk County EMS Coordinator	X				
W. Michael Masterton	Suffolk County Health Services	X				
Michele Miller	Nassau/Suffolk Hosp. Council	X				
Gregory Miniutti	Suffolk County FRES	X				
George Pansy	Commercial Transportation Sector				X	
Anthony Pellicone	Northwell/South Shore University Hospital				X	
Thomas Prendergast	Suffolk County Volunteer Fireman's Assn.	X				
Kevin Pesce	Suffolk County Medical Control				X	
Bryan Prosek	Suffolk County FRES Commission				X	
Steve Slovensky	University Hospital EMS	X				
Bruce Talmage	Suffolk County Ambulance Chiefs	X				
Angelo Viera	Hudson River Healthcare				X	
Dr. James Vosswinkel	Suffolk County Police Department	X				
Dr. Jason Winslow	Suffolk County EMS Medical Director	X				
Mark Zender, PA-C	New York State Society of PAs				X	
Matt Zukosky	Suffolk County Community College				X	

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LONG ISLAND, N.Y. 11701

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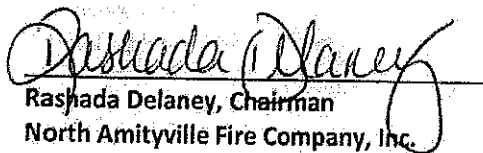
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Letter of Intent

Emergency Ambulance Service Agreement for North Amityville Volunteer Fire Company

The North Amityville Fire Company, Inc. agrees to utilize the services of Catholic Health EMS, through service provider American Medical Response of New York (AMR), to respond to emergency medical service requests within the North Amityville Volunteer Fire Company response area.

This agreement will begin March 1, 2024. AMR will provide Advanced Life Support (ALS) ambulance(s) that will be strategically placed to answer alarms rapidly. AMR will adhere to all Suffolk County REMAC and REMSCO requirements similar to terms in current agreement between Town of Babylon/Catholic Health/AMR.


Rashada Delaney, *Chairman*
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