

CT EMS Advisory Board- Volunteer Committee Approved minutes, 8/15/2019 Bantam Fire/EMS Bantam. CT

Attendance: Members P. Heavin, T. Curulla, J. Paretzky, S. Kosciusko, A. Woodruff, W. Minacci Guests: J. Speck, T. Torizzo, S. Litwin S.Curulla

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Call to order	Jay called the meeting to order @ 6:45PM Jay presented a few facts about Bantam F.D. from their website	None needed
Draft minutes	Motion to approve February 18, 2019 minutes as posted	Passed unanimously
EMS personnel report	Jay handed out the latest report of the number of EMS personnel by category. It was noted that AEMTs now number only 13 in the entire state. Jay stated that each AEMT received a letter about updating to the new standards.	Accepted as distributed
CT OEMS Report Given by Jean Speck	All of the states EMS trailers have been brought up to date to meet the changing needs of triaging. The region 5 trailer is kept in Danbury. The state participated in a national pandemic drill. Many of the office personnel were involved over the several days. The PTSD bill PA 19-118 passed with an amendment to study coverage for and corrections officers. This should be done by sometime next year. Starting in 2020 all recertification's and license renewals will be done through the National Registry. The state website has FAQs. Several bills passed that will have an impact on EMS, including MIH. The state has received a grant for first responder wellness. Jean Speck advised members to keep your Certificate of Operation up to date. Most can be done online. Each service should have a company e-mail that all service chiefs can utilize. The state office sends important info out to that list.	Accepted as presented

PSOB	Jay brought the group up to date on the PSOB and tax abatement. The meeting notice included links for the PSOB and new abatement Public Act 19-36	Accepted as presented
EMRs	Several members asked about EMRs on ALS calls. This has been discussed in the past and the Docs don't want that pairing on ALS calls. This would require a regulatory change.	Accepted as presented We need support to get the Physicians to review this.
Regionalization	A working group is currently discussing ways to regionalize emergency services across the state. EMS is included in this study.	Accepted as presented
Next meeting	Jay asked the group about any legislative suggestions they want to make or think about. Please let Jay know if you do. The next meeting for the committee . is open Next meeting will be in November. Let Jay know if you want to host us. Jay B. Paretzky ctemt80@frontier.com	

Meeting adjourned at 20:45

Submitted 8/17/19, Phil Heavin; Sec.