



The former City of Tower staff member assigned to the task of preparing the March 2, 2020 minutes did not do so. These minutes are produced from an audio-to-text transcript the former staff member did provide and my personal notes.

1. Call or Order

Victoria Ranua called the Tower Ambulance Commission meeting to order at 7:00pm.

2. Roll Call

Present: Bois Forte (Nikki Irving and Jeff Damm, Fortune Bay), Breitung Township (Chuck Tekautz), Eagle's Nest Township (Larry McCray), Greenwood Township (Carmen DeLuca), Vermilion Lake (Sarah Schmidt), City of Tower (Rachel Beldo, *Orlyn Kringstad**, *Sheldon Majerle**, *David Setterberg**),

Absent: Kugler Township, Embarrass Township

Staff present: Ambulance Director Steve Altenburg, 1st Assistant Ambulance Director Josh Villebrun, 2nd Assistant Ambulance Director Dena Suihkonen, Clerk/Treasurer Victoria Ranua, various City Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) and Emergence Medical Responders (EMRs).

Media present: Tony Sikora (Tower News), Jodi Summit* (Timberjay)

*Audience members; did not participate in discussion.

3. Accept Agenda

The transcript did not record who made the following motion or second that motion.

A motion was made to accept the agenda. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

4. New Business

4.1 DRAFT Ambulance Vehicle Replacement Agreement

Clerk/Treasurer Ranua presented the new Ambulance Vehicle Replacement Agreement (AVRA). The Agreement was based on written comments received from Eagle's Nest, Greenwood, and Vermilion Lake as well as verbal comments from Breitung. Ranua walked the group through each section of the agreement. Various Commission members made suggested improvements to the agreement language.

Most request changes were minor. However, the greatest unresolved point occurred at Section 2(C) of the Agreement concerning transfer mileage usage contribution to the Ambulance Vehicle Replacement Fund. The draft Agreement had the contribution rate set at \$0.22/mi based on the County reimbursement rate. Eagle's Nest wanted the transfers to contribute at the same rate as the entities in the agreement are paying to assist in supplying an ambulance for

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emergencies in their area (Total Aid received in previous year/ 911 miles for previous year; for 2019 that was \$57,668 / 34,740mi= \$1.66/ mile). At last year's mileage, this was \$1.66

5. Adjourn

*The transcript only recorded that the meeting adjourned,
but not by whom or at what time.*

Respectfully submitted,



Victoria Ranua
Clerk/Treasurer

Approved by Commission on:

July 6, 2020