

## Kossuth County EMS Advisory Council Meeting Minutes 6/28/2023

Kossuth County EMS System Advisory Council meeting was held on Wednesday, June 28, 2023.

Members in attendance: Bierstedt, Vaske, Larson, Stecker, Kollasch, Tjaden. Smidt joined remotely at 5:04

Meeting was called to order by Chair Stecker at 5:00PM

The floor was open to public discussion; no public discussion was brought to the council.

Motion by Bierstedt and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tjaden to approve the agenda and the minutes of the previous meeting dated 5/30/2023. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held regarding the Transfer of Asset Agreement from the two hubs. The Council was informed that we split the Transition Agreement into two separate agreements with one being for Algona and one for Swea City. The reason for the split is based on the Supervisors asking to get something done, also if there ever is a change to one entity the whole contract would need to be changed instead of just that portion. The Agreement with Algona was signed and approved by the City of Algona and the Board of Supervisors with everything in place to begin this part of the Transition on 7-2-2023. Much discussion was held the Agreement with Swea City. Several changes to the language as approved by the City of Swea City have to be addressed. These items were highlighted within the Transition Agreement.

Discussion/Decision was held regarding the License Agreement to share space in the Swea City Firehall. The main concern with this agreement was the language regarding the ability to place cameras within the building and internet equipment within the building, The second item was the language regarding the ability to let the City move the ambulances and not the County to be able to move the fire vehicles if needed in an emergency. These items also were highlighted and will need to be discussed.

Discussion/Decision the Schedule A for Swea City's inventory. Items that were purchased by Kossuth County should not be part of the Schedule and should be removed. These items were highlighted and will need to be addressed.

Discussion was held regarding the timeline to get this completed and to try and keep things moving forward for the County.

Decision was made and motion was made to formally reject all Agreements with Swea City. Council member Tjaden made a motion to reject the Agreements with an offer to review these Agreements and compare them to the Kossuth County Agreement for the Law Enforcement Center and try to resolve some of these issues. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Smidt. Carried Unanimously.

Discussion/Decision to direct Phil to draft the revised Agreements versions to present to Swea City and the Attorneys. Motion by Tjaden 2<sup>nd</sup> by Smidt Carried Unanimously.

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Decision was made by the Advisory Council to have Phil draft these issues and then have a joint meeting with the Swea City City Council to discuss these together and reach a mutual agreement to the language prior to presenting anything to the attorneys.

Phil will request this joint meeting to be held on either Wednesday 7/5/2023 or Thursday 7/6/2023. We are willing to meet together in Swea City at 6:30PM.

Council discussion was held regarding the plan to continue to provide adequate coverage within Kossuth County for all residence and to talk to Todd and see what we need to do to make sure we can still operate out of Swea City without an Agreement in place. Phil will meet with Todd Holmes and get these issues resolved.

Next Council Meeting will be with Swea City at a date and time to be determined.

Adjourn by Tjaden at 7:11PM.

Respectfully Submitted by Philip Albers