

DUTCHESS COUNTY EMS TASK FORCE MEETING

May 10, 2016
392 Creek Road
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

Present: Bruce Cuttler, Kevin Gage, Cheryl Hilbrandt, Chris Howard, Legislator Jerry Landisi, Chris Maeder, John Mahoney, Tim Murphy, Legislator Kari Reiser, Chris Rohrbach, Dewitt Sagendorph, Dave Schultz, Dana Smith, Cathi Tegtmeier, Dave Violante, Assembly Member DiDi Barrett, Dan Nichols, Anil Beephan representing Senator Sue Serino, Christopher Whitson representing Assembly Member Frank Skartados, Ed Murray

Absent: Assembly Member Kevin Cahill, Patricia Fusco, Richard Robinson, Anthony Ruggiero, Senator Terrence Murphy, Carol Bogle, Bernadette Cekuta, Mark Johnson, Dave Kelly

- Dana Smith, Commissioner of Emergency Response welcomed the group and introduced Tim Scannell, Vice President Chief Financial Officer for Mobile Life who gave an informative presentation on EMS Cost and Revenue. A copy of the presentation will be forwarded when available.
- Areas of discussion were:
 - Salary
 - Benefits
 - Capital Equipment
 - Equipment Maintenance
 - Administrative Expense
 - Other Operation Expenses

SWOT Matrix-A condensed copy of DC EMS SWOT Analysis of GAPS that was compiled by the group was distributed. Dave Violante led the discussion and reviewed the different ways of collecting data. Dave would like the group to

submit via e-mail to EMSTaskForce@dutchessny.gov by Friday, May 20th the kind of data you would want to see in order to get to where we want to be.

Commissioner Smith updated the Taskforce regarding the following:

- A request was filed and granted under the FOIA (Freedom of Information Act) for copies of the minutes of the first two meetings.
- An interview was conducted with the Poughkeepsie Journal regarding the Taskforce, unknown publish date.
- A request came through Legislator Tyner to let one specific member of the public to attend the meetings.
 - There was 100% agreement among Taskforce members in attendance to respectfully decline this request. The group was adamant this would hinder the process at this time. They agreed to revisit the subject as their work continues and are committed to the public forums to be scheduled at a later date.
- An invite will be extended to Columbia and Greene Counties for representatives to come and speak at our next meeting about how their EMS systems are operated. Columbia County has a certificate to operate an ambulance service. Greene County has a user run system.
- The Steering Committee will provide further information between the fire based, commercial and municipal EMS.
- Next meeting-TBD

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Sellitto