

DUTCHESS COUNTY EMS TASK FORCE MEETING

May 26, 2016

392 Creek Road

Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

Present: Carol Bogle, Bernadette Cekuta, Bruce Cuttler, Patricia Fusco, Kevin Gage, Chris Howard, Mark Johnson, John Mahoney, Dan Nichols, Chris Rohrbach, Dewitt Sagendorph, Dana Smith, Cathi Tegtmeier, Kim Usewicz, Legislative Director for Assembly Member DiDi Barrett, Anil Beephan representing Senator Sue Serino, Anthony Ruggiero

Absent: Assembly Member Kevin Cahill, Cheryl Hilbrandt, Jerry Landisi, Richard Robinson, Kari Reiser, Tim Murphy, Anthony Ruggiero, Senator Terrence Murphy, Dave Kelly, Chris Maeder, Dave Schultz, Frank Skartados, Dave Violante

- John Mahoney welcomed the group and introduced Stephen Brucato, Chief of Operations of Greene County EMS Paramedics who gave an informative presentation on Greene County Paramedics, the Green County EMS Task Force, and EMS in Greene County.

The Greene County EMS Task Force Web Site www.gccatf.org

Questions/Answers:

*Greene County EMS is a Not-For-Profit ALS fly car based system-no transport

*EMS in Greene County is 2/3 County Funded and 1/3 Town Funded (based on use)

*There is some fire department involvement but they don't do transport.

*Why did towns reject the EMS Task Force recommendations at first? **Some municipalities costs would increase, some felt the County should pay the entire cost, and some felt their current service was good enough.**

*The municipality does the billing for Greene County EMS.

*Each Municipality mans a BLS ambulance and contracts with Greene County EMS.

*System Status is done by Greene County EMS.

*Centralized dispatch

*Any non-emergent calls from facilities are done by municipalities

*Greene County Paramedics responds to all 9-1-1 calls

*If they have enough coverage for Greene County, they will do Mutual Aid for other counties.

Last Meeting Follow-Up:

911 Center is not an operational database. Some data requests are unavailable.

OCIS' Bill Yellin has agreed to do research for the Task Force.

Marist has offered to analyze data and create reports for Task Force.

John and Cathi went over some of the data requests.

Work Groups Created:

Education Committee-Bernadette

Defining Data Committee: This committee will be working with OCIS and Marist.

Kim Usewicz, Anil Beephan, Chris Rohrbach, Bruce Cutler, Anthony Ruggiero, Carol Bogle.

Define a reasonable Response Time: Chris, Dan

Kevin Gage was asked to do a presentation on state trends with EMS.

Columbia County will present at our next meeting

Next meeting-TBD

Respectfully Submitted,

Laurie Colgan