



**OFFICIAL MEETING MINUTES  
SOUTH AREA FIRE & EMERGENCY RESPONSE DISTRICT  
Board of Directors Regular Meeting  
Wednesday, March 14th, 2018 @ 6:00 P.M.**

**A. Call to Order**

The regular meeting of the South Area Fire and Emergency Response District Board of Directors was called to order at 6:15 PM by SAFER Chairman Barb Ermeling.

**MEMBERS PRESENT** – Ermeling, White, Opal, and Langenhahn. Kachel excused. Chief Savage, DC Finke, And EMS Division Chief Bechel also present.

**B. Correspondence/Comments from the public on issues related to the SAFER District**

**C. Consent Items**

Approval of prior meeting minutes from last meeting.

*Langenhahn/ Opal to approve prior meeting minutes from February with changes.*

*Motion Carries Unanimously.*

Approval of vouchers from February.

*Langenhahn/Opal to approve vouchers.*

*Motion carries unanimously.*

**D. Business Items**

**Discussion and possible action on sale of ambulance.**

SAFER would like to start the process of selling the old ambulance now. If it is sold we would not deliver until the new ambulance has arrived. We want to sell the second oldest ambulance we have because the oldest is still working well for us.

*Oplal/Langenhahn Motion to approve sale of ambulance but not deliver until new one arrives.*

*Motion carries unanimously.*

**Discussion of ALS intercept vehicle.**

Spirit ambulance intercept is leaving the area from Central Fire due to staffing issues. Central Fire and Owen-Withee need and intercept in their area as they are a basic ambulance service. We gave them the number and both parties are interested. It will be a 90-day trial. We are looking for permission to continue talks with them. It will be covered by the current staff with the idea that if we are short staffed we may not send a Paramedic out there. They understand that they may not have coverage 24/7 by us. Money for the intercept will be charged to the department requesting intercept not the patient. Medevac has already declined so we will not be interfering with other intercept entities. Staffing this will not take away from our home service. *Consensus to continue discussions.*

**Annual Report.**

EMS calls and up from last year and continue to grow. Fire calls have stayed around the same.

*White/Opal move to acknowledge Annual Report.*

*Motion carries unanimously.*

**E. Staff Reports**

**Chief**

We have hire 8 new paid-on-call members.

We have hire a new Battalion Chief with 30years of experience in the Fire/EMS service.

We plan to have a training burn on a house on April 13<sup>th</sup>. We will be conducting training with it until the scheduled burn.

The fundraiser is Sunday.

**Assistant Chief**

We are working on a FEMA grant for air packs.

We have been offered a 5-year contract with 525 group. \$100.00 per hour with a 3% increase each year.

**F. Remarks from the Board of Directors to set the next meeting date, as well as discuss items for the next meeting agenda.**

**Opal-** we got an appreciative remark on an incident that SAFER responded to.

**White-** Building lease agreement for the village of Weston for next meeting.

**G. Adjourn 19:45**