Jones County EMS Advisory Council Meeting

May 31, 2022

Members present in-person:	Members present via ZOOM:	Members Absent:

- Brenda Leonard
- Chris Lux
- Dennis Coon
- Jean McPherson
- Jeff Hinrichs
- Jeff Swisher
- Jill Parham
- Joyce Bilow
- Karla Koehler
- Katrina Rix
- Kim Krutzfeld
- Margo Ahrendsen
- Mark Robertson
- Sheila Frink
- Stan Rieter

Members present via ZOOM:
- Brian Podaski

Members Absent:
- Britt Smith
- Gregory Blythe
- Jake Gravel
- Jen Uthoff
- Whitney Hein

Chairman Margo Ahrendsen called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

Moved by Jeff Hinrichs seconded by Chris Lux to approve the minutes from the May 18, 2022 EMS Advisory Council Meeting. All aye. Motion carried.

The Council discussed tax rates for the EMS levy including how to divide the tax revenue with potentially using the a similar version of the fire formula that townships use for fire levy rates. The Council discussed both the local income surtax option and the property tax option for the EMS levy. It was brought up that some citizens may feel that they are getting taxed twice if a combination of the local income surtax and property tax are both used.

The Council also discussed marketing strategies of the EMS levy issue including the slogan Vote Yes for EMS.

Moved by Stan Rieter seconded by Mark Robertson to recommend an EMS property tax levy rate of $0.35 per $1000 of valuation to the Board of Supervisors. All aye. Motion carried.

The Council discussed presenting the recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. The Council will be on the June 14, 2022 Board of Supervisors agenda to present the recommendations.

Moved by Dennis Coon seconded by Katrina Rix to recommend to the Board of Supervisors to put the EMS levy public measure on the November 8, 2022 ballot. All aye. Motion carried.

The Council discussed future meeting dates and will meet again on June 23, 2022 at 6:30 P.M in the Community Room of the Jones County Courthouse to discuss marketing ideas.

Moved by Jill Parham seconded by Stan Rieter to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 P.M. All aye. Motion carried.