

Plainsboro Rescue Squad
August Monthly Meeting (Hybrid)
Aug 20th, 2020

The regular monthly meeting was called to order at 8:10 PM by President Jack Bouchakjian. Roll Call followed. 28 members present, 13 eligible to vote. Quorum met.

MOTION: To approve the July 2020 monthly minutes, motion made by Krishna Jagannathan, seconded by Ankit Parikh.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED.

Resolutions : Presented by Krishna Jagannathan

Please see attached.

Krishna Jagannathan introduced the Attorney Mr. Wayne Janke from Reed Smith who will take over legal services. Mr. Wayne Janke introduced himself.

- Thanks for all the work Squad is doing during these difficult times
- Has 5 years experience in transactional law
- Any legal questions, any help needed as per guidelines, they can provide good amount of service for max number of hours.
- EMT volunteer in HS, worked for 8 years and came in contact with Krishna Jagannathan and thought a good opportunity to come back. Reading through the bylaws to review and give ideas and suggestions
- MOU – can be worked on

New Members:

Waiting for Anil Raavi to join the meeting

President's Report – Jack Bouchakjian – None

- When a motion was made for the minutes seconded by Ankit Parikh, Sheryl Brown and Jeanette Kania wanted to table the minutes, as there isn't enough time to review.

Guest Report : Neil Lewis

Thanks for the service to the community. Township board had a Regular meeting on Aug 12th, Wednesday, in the court room. This is the first meeting of the month. Second meeting will be a remote meeting at 5.30 on 26th. Information will be on Township website.

Some items of Interest :

- Planning board meeting cancelled, Dev. Committee and Zoning Committee had no meeting. Environmental committee will meet in September.
- Township building is Open for regular business. Masks are required in the building. Playgrounds in the parks are open and listed and guided directions are posted. Masks required for all users, sanitizer required. Everyone needs to bring their own.
- Recreation Department planned for a bus trip on 22nd, limited seats no available.
- About Deer hunting, last year season started in October. 35 permits will be available online, please sign up if interested.
- School board – Isaac Cheng decided not to run this year. He was a school board member for 6 years. Two candidates are registered to run. Loi Moliga, PTA mom and second contestant Ms.Rachelle Hurwitz

Action items :

- Township has adopted ordinance for development on Dey road to east of affordable housing community towards electric sub-station. Proposal to build 55+ age group housing and some other proposals are in consideration.
- Application submitted to the county for additional funds for recreational use
- Plainsboro showed up in NJ magazine, names as one of the safest community. Plainsboro also made into to top 100 in the National and 6 in NJ. Activities of volunteers and citizens managed to made it there.
- Reopening of Schools in person is still under discussion.

Sheryl Brown refers to an email received and wants to know about school decision, what will be the school modal for re-opening in fall.

Neil Lewis responds, it is still under review, not decided yet depends on safety mechanism schools are taking with kids.

Ankit Parikh wants to know details about 9/11 memorial. Neil Lewis says maybe at 4.00 PM at the site as per PD. No other information

Police Liaison : Not present. No report

VP Fundraising – Arun Bantval

Not present – No report

VP Membership – Brian Gould

- Unanimous vote by Eboard for Joydeep Paul, to be nominated as Life member. Congratulations and thank you for the Committed service for 10 years.
- Joydeep Paul says thank you and very happy to be a part of the squad. Very happy with all the work and colleagues and thankful for the opportunity. Happy to be a part of the team being one of the best EMS organizations and keep up the good work.

- Anouska Karnad will be an Adult member.
- Cadets interviews are in progress. Many applicants, lot are moving around. 3 or 4 cadets will be coming in. Out of 30 applications / 8 interviewed / 4 were approved for to crew nights.
- Request with prospective members, please give the immediate feedback, send a note to make a decision right away. We have two more members coming in.
- Joydeep Paul's daughter Anoushka, Jegan Gokulchandran's daughter will be coming to crew nights.
- There will be a CPR class on 30th
- 4 to 6 adult members will be coming for interview. 4 of them are EMT's. Some are not residents of Plainsboro.
- Shiva doing crew nights – give feed back

Treasurer's Report – Jegan Gokulchandran

- None

Corresponding Secretary's Report – Lucy Zhu

- Not present. No report.

Recording Secretary's Report – Emily Wolf

- No report.

Cadet Report:

- Working on video to promote in Social Media, working on creating content. Planning to start post in early September. Cadets will send out a form to all riding members to introduce them as members of squad.
- Squad Apparel : Finalized designs. Will send out a form to see the interest with riding members to finalize the prices
- Cadets informed of their actions to Ankit Parikh, Brian Gould, Don Vadakan to get approval and guidance.
- Brian Gould and Ankit Parikh confirmed to guide the cadets as needed

Trustee's Report: Krishna Jagannathan

State fund subsidizer energy improvement of commercial busines approached squad for upgrades and labor. Will put out for vote by Eboard and General membership to vote on energy savings and efficiency.

Joydeep Paul mentions, Lights and timer in the men's restroom needs to be adjusted for longer time

AC issues, it becomes hot in the nights. Krishna Jagannathan says – it is automatic to read the people presence and adjusts accordingly.

Chief's Report – Ankit Parikh

See attached

All three rigs are taken for servicing and minor repairs are done. Thanks to day crew.

Joydeep Paul asks about the N95 masks do have plenty or need to save?

Ankit Parikh responds, he encourages people to wear respiratory masks and keep the N95 for cadets and trainees.

Jegan Gokulchandran wants to know about quarantine rules, when family members travel. Ankit Parikh responds, please share the details with Line officer, they will check with individual case and decide. Joydeep Paul says it also depends on the measures taken by family.

Karin Stewart wants to share an experience, patients react different when respirator mask is worn vs. N95. Seems like patients are more comfortable with N95. Respirator mask stresses them. Should this be a concern? Ankit Parikh recommends use of respirator mask is advised due to supply issues, it is up to OIC choice / personal choice.

Dinner Committee Report – Emily Wolf

- No report at this time. Date set for January 30th, 2021.

LOSAP Committee Report – Harshit Dhawan

Started putting the points to LOSAP

People who achieved 100 LOSAP are :

Akarsh Teki, Ankit Parikh, Brian Gould, Hagop Bouchkjian, Jegan Gokulchandran and Harshit Dhawan.

Don Vadakan, Abhilash Nair, Dimitry Pokrasov, Karin Stewart, Adam Bowman maxed out 100 on calls, please focus on other areas to achieve LOSAP points.

Please update the main computer with the details

Harshit Dhawan feels that to depend on email for updates is becoming delayed due to late communication.

Jack Bouchakjian wants to know, if the Spreadsheet can be converted into google sheet, so it can be Live. One drive also can be helpful.

Grant Committee Report:

- No report.

Technology Officer Report:

- No report

Medical Supplies Report —No report.

General Supplies Report — Running out of office supplies, will be replaced

Old Business: None

New Business:

Anil Raavi walks into the meeting to be voted in. He finished his Crew nights and got positive feedback. Brian Gould makes a motion to make Anil Raavi a member, seconded by Ankit Parikh. Pending background check, Anil Raavi is voted in.

Congratulations Anil Raavi.

Brian sent email to Eboard / Trustees about teaching classes and issue with projector video not working, quality is not good. With temperature changes, projector overheats. Looking for a large screen for training purposes. Walmart has 65 inch TV for \$450.00. Brian Gould makes motion to allocate \$500.00 that will provide TV, electrical wiring and other stuff. He requests Trustees to either work on the wiring or approve a new TV

Krishna Jagannathan makes a motion to approve the TV proposal, as Squad is not paying any money for the instructor and the funds from training budget can be used to buy a new TV.

Seconded by Karin Stewart and motion approved.

Neil Lewis wants to confirm receipt of check from township, Jegan Gokulchandran confirms.

A motion to adjourn meeting made by Ankit Parikh, seconded by Apryl Roach

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 9:01PM.

Respectfully submitted

Sridevi Mallem