

# Plainsboro Rescue Squad

Oct Monthly Meeting (Hybrid)

Oct 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022

The regular monthly meeting was called to order at 8:20 PM by President Arun Bantval. Roll Call followed. 27 members present, 21 eligible to vote. Quorum met.

MOTION: Motion to approve the Sep 2022 monthly minutes was made by Arun Bantval seconded by Karin Stewart

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED.

## Introduction and Prospective New Members – Anmol Karnad

None

## Guest Report – Neil Lewis (Deputy Mayor)

- COVID : It is reported that BA5 variant is 12% more infectious than the other variants. We see the cases rising in NJ. 10 deaths have reported recently
- Township:
  - We had general planning meeting last week via online
  - Starting 19<sup>th</sup>, with the help of county we have started a new project of developing walking trail in about 86 acres by Cranbury Neck Rd
  - Movie night planned at Plainsboro Preserve . Ghost busters is screening
  - Fire District is hiring 6 more people , as part of 24X7 coverage
  - Township is arranging flu shots at municipal building with the help of Plainsboro Pharmacy
  - County wide sessions on Emergency management is planned
- Elections coming up, please go and do vote. Sample ballots are coming in

## Police Report –

- We are hiring a new dispatcher by end of November
- Working on integrating EMS charts with the PLEX system
- Looking to hire new EMT's

## President's Report – Arun Bantval

- We are keeping a close eye on budget categories, where we are going over the limit

- Keeping the expenditures in control. Donations are not coming at the same rate as it is used to
- We had a successful Walkathon event at WalkerGordon . Big thanks to WalkerGordon residents and Jegan. We have collected around \$2000
- There will be slate discussion today for next month's election. Please come forward and try to file nominations
- The next month meeting and elections would be held at Maplewood. Also there would be training by Maplewood team
- Installation Dinner – We need help on planning for Installation dinner this time as Emily is busy and would not be able to help.

#### **VP Fundraising – Neena Karnad**

- Our total Collections YTD are over 126K
- Organized PRS's Community Outreach Program and PRS's support at Walkathon at Walker Gordon in partnership with Walker Gordon's committee members. We are thankful to Walker Gordon community for their generous donation of over \$2000. Thank you to PRS members and cadets for making this event a huge success.
- Planning to have Community Outreach Program and fundraiser in Princeton Collection in November.

#### **VP Membership –Anmol Karnad**

- We have interviewed 7 prospects , 5 adult members and 2 cadets. All these members are found to be committed. We have decided to call all of them for crew nights
- Going forward, for background checks an email can be sent directly to Liam and seek his appointment. Those are in need of BG check, please shoot an email to me and I will provide you the email of Liam and other details

#### **Treasurer's Report – Suhaas Kamble**

- All bills are paid, nothing pending
- We are good with the spending so far, other than those highlighted by Arun
- Trustees are supposed to give some money, but we have not received yet. We are not able to reach Apryl . Any help would be greatly appreciated on contacting her

#### **Corresponding Secretary's Report – Lucy Zhu**

- Survey letters are going out
- We have received some good reviews

- Address on the post box needs to be fixed. One of the letters is missing

#### **Recording Secretary's Report - Anil Reddy Raavi**

- Reports received, will upload them to the site

#### **Cadet Report—Marc Vadakan**

- Walker Gordon event was successful. Well done Sriram
- We are planning another outreach program in Princeton Collection

#### **Cadet Advisor – Sreedevi Mallem**

#### **Trustee Report – Krishna**

- Karin is stepping down. Thanks to her service. Let me know if anyone is interested in taking her position
- Fire extinguishers are due for check
- Thermostats in bunk room and hallway are locked. Let me know if you feel changing the temperature
- Pest control has been called and the issue with bugs, roaches is fixed
- Anmol – Bay door is arriving this month end. Should be fixed soon

#### **Chaplin Report - Sheryl Brown**

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#### **Chief's Report—Don Vadakan**

##### Special Thanks

- Walker Gordon - Resident awareness event. Thank you to all those who attended. Good feedback about appreciation of what we do, and we hope this will go a long way in supporting our upcoming fundraiser and member mobilization exercises. These residential awareness campaigns are working well. Congratulations to the Cadet leadership for coming up with the idea and taking the initiative. We need to go through more, including Princeton Collection, soon.

- The Walkathon event was a terrific success. Sriram, congratulations on winning, yet not winning. Neena and Arun, thanks for literally running with it.
- Promotions : Anil, Sahana and Prat - on getting promoted to EMT 2

#### Protocols

- Joydeep has expressed his desire to stop riding. Thank you, Joydeep, for your contribution. Harshit will be heading out on vacation, and our "hole" in the schedule will only get bigger. Please help out as much as you can is all I can ask now.
- The good news is that all three rigs are in service. Unfortunately, we have been out of service more this year than ever without personnel. We have tried to keep it to a minimum. Still, that bit hurts.
- 101 is getting rested. The rig swap is effective now.
- 104 and 105 are also in service
- I am Responding - the cutover is complete. Thank you, Jegan, Shripal, and Prat.
- CAD EMS Charts integration - ongoing and on schedule. Thank you, PPD, Joe, Scott, and Lt Olma, for your support.
- We have installed a new doorbell on the front door. No need to startle people by banging the doors anymore, especially this Halloween season

#### Equipment/Supplies

Supplies online

#### Training/Certifications Up To Date

- Thank you, Ankit, for organizing the Medivac Drill. It was excellent, and the feedback all around was positive. Thanks for today's session as well, Ankit.
- As I mentioned last month, I am beyond thrilled to see close to 9 members set to go to EMT school this Fall.
- Do keep an eye on your credentials expiring, especially EMT and CPR.
- Please close out QA's raised and complete charts; several are still outstanding.

#### Joint Drills

- Medivac Drill
- Upcoming MCA drill led by Harshit on his night; please join if you can. Contact Harshit, please.

#### Events

- Elections are next month, all please consider nominating yourselves to take up various positions. Good luck!

#### **LOSAP Report** - Jegan Gokulchandran

- New members accounts have been funded. If not let me know, I will followup with Township
- For 2022 , 15 members have already attained LOSAP, those who are close to it, suggest to submit CEU, attend meetings etc.

**Grants Officer** : Leena Nair

**Technology** - Arun & Mark

- Any issues with Gmail migrations , please bring up and we will take care of it
- Princeton University Surplus program is good and we are going to see if any of those items will be useful for the squad

**Medical supplies** – Abhilash

- Good with the supplies

**Non Medical supplies** - Harshit

**Old Business**

- None

**New Business**

- Motion to make Karin as Life member.

VOTE : MOTION CARRIED.

**Slate Board**

President : Arun

Vice President Fund Raising : Neena Karnad

Vice President Membership : Anmol Karnad

Treasurer : Suhaas

Recording Secretary : Anil , Kumar (Rejected)

Corresponding Secretary : Lucy

Chief : Don Vadakan

Deputy Chief : Harshit , Krishna (Rejected)

Assistant Chief : Jegan (not decided) , Abhilash (Rejected)

Trustee(1) : Suresh, Mehul , Abhilash (Rejected) , Shripal (Rejected)

A motion to adjourn meeting made by Ankit, seconded by Jegan .

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 9: 40 PM