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Fire Department Regionalization Study Committee Minutes

January 10 @ 7:02 pm

Meeting in Fire Station

Attendees: Chairman Dave DeVoy, Evelyn Auger, Andy Sanbornton, Chief Dexter, Steve Ober, & Roger Grey

Invited guests: Justin Van-Etten President Stewarts Ambulance

Tom Lavin - Stewart employee

We spent approximately 2 hrs. discussing how Stewarts operates.

- Stewarts makes their money on Inter-Facility Transfers (IFT) i.e. moving patients between hospitals
- They breakeven on 911 calls
- They serve Meredith, Center Harbor, Moultonborough, Tuftonboro, Sandwich, and Wolfeboro.
- They would be willing to discuss a 5 year breakeven contract with Sanbornton
- They would be interested only in a 24/7 ambulance agreement
- Stewarts estimated is costs them \$18/hr. for EMTs
- Stewarts suggests its service is probably more costly than what Sanbornton provides
- Stewarts suggests our best bet might be to share services with LRG Hospital
- Response time to a call is not nearly as important as how often a EMT has worked on a particular problem i.e. for a heart attack training is more important than response time.
- Sanbornton has a very efficient call system for the way we are structured.

Stewarts personnel left at 8:10 pm and we began to approve the minutes from the Meredith meeting. However, the meeting was abruptly adjourned due to Chief Dexter having to response to a car fire.

8:35 pm Grey motion to adjourn, seconded by Ober passed unanimously.

Next meeting TBD depending on response from Laconia town manager.

Respectfully submitted



Roger Grey
Secretary