

FIRE & EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES TASK FORCE  
CITY OF TOWN & COUNTRY, MO  
August 21, 2020  
West County EMS and Fire Protection District House #2 Auditorium  
13790 Manchester Road 63131  
8:00 AM

Members Present: Alderman Ryan Mortland (Co-Chairman) via Videoconference, Alderman Sue Allen (Co-Chairman), Mayor Jon Dalton (absent), Don Sanders, George Tarlas, Todd Soloman, Amber Walsh

OTHERS PRESENT:

City Administrator Bob Shelton, Communications and Administrative Assistant Morgan Kuepfert.

1. Call to Order

Alderman Sue Allen called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. and the roll as noted above was taken. There was a quorum.

2. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Sanders moved approval, seconded by Mr. Soloman. The agenda was approved.

3. Approval of July 28, 2020 Minutes

Alderman Allen called for any additions or corrections. Mr. Sanders moved to approve the Minutes of July 28, 2020, seconded by Mr. Soloman. The Minutes were approved.

4. Current service overview – Chief Jeff Sadtler

West County Fire District Chief Jeff Sadtler introduced Deputy Fire Chief Dave Fraizer and Deputy Chief of Training and Special Operations Kelly Grassmuck. Chief Sadtler reviewed a PowerPoint presentation outlining the current contract and the history and background of the West County Fire and EMS district. Call volumes, response times, population trends, and call types were all reviewed and discussed.

Additional discussions were held relating to mutual aid in and out of Town and Country. Also discussed were transport time, EMS turn-around times and statistics based on certain types of calls, such as motor vehicle accidents, retirement/assisted living homes, residential and commercial. Chief Sadtler drew attention to longer average response times in Wards 1 and 3 and stated the most efficient way to improve response times would be relocation of the existing station and installation of a new station.

Chief Sadtler, in response to questions from the Task Force members, stated the current station would benefit by hiring three additional staff to reduce overtime. Replacement of the 30 year old existing station would result in improved efficiencies and operations and if a new station was built the community would also benefit from a ladder truck.

5. Discussion

Additional discussions ensued relating to the presentation and next steps for the Task Force. Discussion was held on the timeline of the contract, and Chief Sadtler informed the Task Force that West County would be willing to extend the deadline to December 31, 2022 under current terms in order to continue discussions.

6. Next meeting date – September 8, 2020, 8:00 AM

7. Adjourn

At 9:15 AM, Mr. Sanders moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Tarlas. The meeting was adjourned.