MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MEHLVILLE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI, ON THE 10TH DAY OF APRIL, 2019

The Board of Directors of the Mehlville Fire Protection District of St. Louis County, Missouri, met at the Mehlville Conference Room, 11020 Mueller Road, St. Louis County, Missouri, on the 10th day of April, 2019.

Present at the meeting were:

Aaron Hilmer, Chairman and Director of the Board;

Bonnie C. Stegman, Treasurer and Director of the Board;

Edmond Ryan, Secretary and Director of the Board; and

Brian Hendricks, Fire Chief of the Mehlville Fire Protection District.

Mr. Hilmer called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and announced the Board to be in session for the transaction of business.

Dr. Stegman made a motion to pay the bills of April 3 and 10, 2019. Mr. Ryan seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Captain Ty Cardona thanked the Board for positive changes and an improved relationship with union organized employees. He presented a proposal for offering employees the Missouri LAGERS retirement plan. Benefits include a permanent disability plan, guaranteed monthly retirement benefit, cost of living increases, and survivor benefits.

Chief Hendricks discussed Community Paramedicine programs, which he, Deputy Chief Besancenez, and Dr. Stegman have been researching for a number of years. The programs are growing throughout the country. The majority of programs in the St. Louis area are hospital-based. Hospitals are able to control the flow of patients and

information, and they have the necessary funding. Mehlville Fire Protection District has received an offer through Anthem Insurance Company to become St. Louis's first EMS-based community paramedicine program. Anthem has provided a cost structure to compensate the District for seeing their patients in a one-year pilot project. The program would be re-evaluated at the end of the year, and part of that discussion would include a possible cost-sharing model. Chief Hendricks presented a brief powerpoint on the role of the community paramedic. The community paramedics will provide a critical care level of care in the home setting. While Mehlville Mobile addresses the District's high utilizers, the program with Anthem will address chronic diseases including hypertension, congestive heart failure, diabetes, COPD and general weakness, conditions that lead to chronic use of the 911 system, overuse of the emergency department and extended hospital stays with readmission. Patients would enroll in an eight, ten or twelve week program and would be visited one to three times per week. Once the patient is stabilized, they will transition to a monitoring program.

CFO Brian Bond presented a budget for the community paramedicine program. Revenue streams include \$150 for the initial home visits, \$90 for subsequent visits and \$70 per month for monitoring. Two employees would complete 25 visits per week. Remote telemedicine and point of care testing are potential revenue streams. The budget includes two 40-hour per week community paramedics, additional administrative support, medical and IT equipment, and a vehicle. The potential revenue is \$363,000, while the expense is \$345,000.

Dr. Stegman made a motion to approve the contract with Anthem for the community paramedicine pilot project. Mr. Ryan seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Mr. Hilmer made a motion that a closed meeting be held for the purpose of discussing legal and personnel matters immediately following the adjournment of the regular meeting. Mr. Hilmer, as part of said motion, moved that said closed meeting not be open to members of the general public under the provisions of Chapter 610 of the Missouri Revised Statutes, commonly referred to as the Sunshine Act. The motion was seconded by Dr. Stegman. A roll call vote on said motion was taken.

Director Hilmer yea.

Director Stegman yea.

Director Ryan yea.

There being no further business, Mr. Hilmer adjourned the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Aaron Hilmer, Chairman

ATTEST:

Edmond Ryan, Secretary

The undersigned, being all members of the Board of Directors of the Mehlville Fire Protection District, have affixed their names thereto in evidence of their consent to the meeting at the time and place indicated, and in evidence of their approval of the actions taken at the said meeting.

Aaron Hilmer

Bonnie C. Stegman

Edmond Ryan