

**City of Mantorville
City Council Minutes
August 15, 2022**

1. Call to Order

Mayor Bradford called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Mayor Chuck Bradford
Councilmembers Lyle Hoaglund, Jeffrey Ingalls,
Kent Keller, and Bill Kinney

Absent: None

Others Present: City Clerk-Treasurer Shirley Buecksler
Public Works Joe Adams
Assistant Fire Chief Travis Bebee
Dodge Center Ambulance Director Angie Jarrett
Jeremy Bigelow, Bigelow Homes, LLC
Scott and Koreen Seim, Mantorville Saloon
Realtor John Buckingham

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Changes to the Agenda

Council approved the agenda, as presented.

Vote: 5 ayes / 0 nays. Motion carried.

4. Consent Agenda

- A. Regular City Council Meeting Minutes of July 25, 2022
- B. Dodge County Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes of July 12, 2022
- C. Accounts Payable Claims List for August 15, 2022 in the Amount of \$60,726.72
- D. Donations Received for National Night Out, Resolution No. 2022-33
- E. Additional Election Judges for 2022 Election Cycle, Resolution No. 2022-35
- F. 2023 Agreement Between Dodge County and City of Mantorville for Use of Pictometry Product

Motion was made by Councilmember Ingalls and seconded by Councilmember Hoaglund to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented.

Vote: 5 ayes / 0 nays. Motion carried.

5. Proclamations, Presentations and Recognitions

A. Mantorville Saloon Marigold Days Request

Scott and Koreen Seim of the Mantorville Saloon presented their request for Marigold Days to include the same set-up as the 2021 event: Friday night tent and band 8:30 pm to 12:30 am. Fenced out further. Saturday beanbag tournament. Sunday water fights, music and car show.

Councilmember Hoaglund said he will discuss the road closures in his Council report.

Motion was made by Councilmember Keller and seconded by Councilmember Ingalls to approve the request from Scott and Koreen Seim, Mantorville Saloon, for the 2022 Marigold Days event.

Vote: 5 ayes / 0 nays. Motion carried.

B. Presentation by Dodge Center Ambulance, Director Angie Jarrett

Director Angie Jarrett provided a presentation for Council, which is attached as a part the minutes.

Discussion included:

What do other rural cities do? Some, such as Hayfield, Zumbrota, Pine Island, Preston, and others, are set up per capita. A taxing district could be created.

A suggestion was made for Dodge Center Ambulance to put together a proposal based on population. And approach the County for some funding. Reach out to the townships and present to them, as well.

Ms. Jarrett said they have made connections in the past two weeks with Chambers and large businesses for donations.

6. Public Safety Update

A. Mantorville Fire Department General Meeting Minutes of August 3, 2022

Assistant Fire Chief Bebee said Active Shooter Training was held recently at the school.

He informed Council that the concrete was poured for the shed floor. The shed will need some roof patching and doors, as well.

B. Dodge County Sheriff's Report for Mantorville

There was no one in attendance from the Sheriff's Office.

7. **Public Concerns**

The following citizen(s) addressed the Council:

Bill Reding asked when Snow Contracting will be here. He also questioned what will happen to the culverts.

Joe Adams said Snow Contracting is waiting on grate pricing. It's better to have one contractor but, if they don't come in, we will look at it. The bid included the culverts to be cemented shut.

8. **Public Hearing**

A. Application for Conditional Use Permit to Allow for Construction Equipment Storage at 720 North Main Street – Applicant Jeremy Bigelow / Bigelow Homes, LLC

Jeremy Bigelow of Bigelow Homes, LLC submitted an application for a Conditional Use Permit for construction equipment storage at 720 Main Street North.

Mr. Bigelow said the building will be used by Bigelow Homes for storage and a small office. During the first four months, there will be a couple of vans stored until his new building is done in Kasson. The former building was damaged by fire. There will be no vehicles outside, but they might put a fence for trailers in back. This wouldn't happen until next spring. They are looking to remodel, add signage for Bigelow Homes, and eventually add on to the building.

Motion was made by Councilmember Ingalls and seconded by Councilmember Hoaglund to open the public hearing at 7:33 pm.

Vote: 5 ayes / 0 nays. Motion carried.

Discussion:

Bill Reding said this property should always remain a commercial property.

John Buckingham said we need commercial growth. Mr. Bigelow will enhance the community and that site.

Pastor Paul Singleton added that we need to bring more families and homes into Mantorville. A home builder is a good thing for the community. This sounds like a good move.

Councilmember Hoaglund thanked Mr. Bigelow for choosing Mantorville.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hoaglund and seconded by Councilmember Ingalls to close the public hearing at 7:36 pm.

Vote: 5 ayes / 0 nays. Motion carried.

City Clerk Buecksler said she will need to amend the resolution to include fencing for outside storage.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hoaglund and seconded by Councilmember Kinney to adopt Resolution No. 2022-36 Approving a Conditional Use Permit for Construction Equipment Storage Located at 720 Main Street North, Mantorville, Minnesota, with the amendment that includes fencing for outside storage in Item (e) and Item (4).

Vote: 5 ayes / 0 nays. Motion carried.

9. Old Business/New Business

A. Gambling Permits for Dodge County Youth Hockey Association, Resolution Nos. 2022-31 and 2022-32

Councilmember Hoaglund abstained from discussion and voting on this item.

Councilmember Keller asked if the City is in the position to influence which direction it goes? Mayor Bradford said we have the authority to approve or deny the request, so via that authority, yes.

Scott and Koreen Seim of Mantorville Saloon addressed the Council. They would like to switch gambling at the Saloon to Dodge County Youth Hockey Association and support the 41 youth hockey players that live in Mantorville and 60 youth hockey players that live in Kasson. There are 19 high school boys and 30 high school girls who live in Mantorville. Gambling money will stay in our community. Dodge County Youth Hockey Association has also stated that they will be donating money to the Mantorville Fire Department.

Councilmember Keller said the way it was for gambling, all of the money stayed in Mantorville and a lot of that has been benefited through the Mantorville Restoration Association (MRA). Now less than half of it is coming here. Koreen Seim said more than half, because you have the Firemen and there are a total of 101 kids in our community, in Dodge County. We have always been the Kasson-Mantorville Komets. The Kasson-Mantorville Komets are in Dodge Center and we are all one entity, she stated. She also said they would like the gambling money made at the Saloon to go to our community with our children and to the Mantorville Fire Department, which are both important to us.

Councilmember Keller said he can see where they would be influenced with their grandson in youth hockey. But that's a short-term thing, and he won't be playing hockey there for very long. Koreen Seim said this is our community, this is Dodge County. This is our up-and-coming children who will be living and working in our communities and she would prefer the money go to our children and to help everyone because it's expensive to play hockey.

Councilmember Keller said it's a percentage that is leaving town here and no longer going to be available to the MRA and he wants to make sure that you've thought about the long term not the short term, emotionally. Scott Seim said it may come back some day. If this doesn't work, we'll come back.

Bill Reding said the Mantorville Restoration Association (MRA) has to be forthcoming with who they all donate to, such as Kasson and Hayfield. All the money you raise here does not stay here in Mantorville.

One resident commented it could be hockey this season, maybe they will do football next season. Whether their grandson is playing hockey or not, regardless, the Seim's are very supportive of their community, meaning Kasson-Mantorville sports, and they're always there to support things and put on benefits, so they truly do see Kasson-Mantorville as a community. Next season it may be another sport, the next year it might be something else. Everything doesn't have to go to the MRA and a lot of people are very protective over the MRA. We can support locally in our community.

Councilmember Ingalls asked about the term of the permit. Lynnette Nash said it is an annual contract that is renewable every year with a 60-day notification for any changes. She stated, to be clear, the MRA has not only done their buildings, we have also built the pavilion, donated a lot of money to help build the parks, put the roof on the VFW, helped with the trail systems that have gone in, so it isn't just about a few buildings, it's about a lot of giving to the community. The MRA has done this through the years. The Park Board has gone to the MRA to ask for monies for the new park system going in at Dennison Park, and she thinks they're looking for continued assistance. At Dennison Park, kids are playing in the road every time there's a baseball game. The Park Board is looking to build that and make it handicap accessible, which is important in our community. It's an awareness of the community, she said.

Councilmember Keller added that these are things we are concerned about and the reason why we are making the comments and asking the questions. Who is gambling in your establishment? What statistics or percentages do you have for where they come from? Are they primarily Mantorville, Kasson, Dodge Center, your clientele is from where?

Koreen Seim said they are from our whole community – Kasson, Mantorville, Dodge Center, Hayfield, etc. Lynnette Nash said there is no real easy way to know that, except for someone winning.

Councilmember Keller said the reason he asked is because when people are putting that money in, underlying that is they want to be sure it's going to a good cause that they like and if it's going to someplace else, they may be misled. Koreen Seim said her patrons that come in their bar want them to do the Dodge County Youth Hockey Association and to our Firemen because they don't agree on a lot of things. We hear a lot of bad feed with the MRA when our patrons come in to gamble, and they want the money for the e-tabs and the pull-tab machines to be for the kids, our Firemen, the

community. A lot of people have their meetings at the Saloon, including the hockey association, the wrestling association, football association. We will have a lot of stuff going on and a lot of burger nights coming up for football, wrestling, hockey, and pancake breakfasts, etc.

Councilmember Keller said he appreciates the comments. When he hears Mantorville Restoration Association and Mantorville Saloon, they seem one-and-one. Koreen Seim said she understands but for us, it's Kasson-Mantorville. The Kasson-Mantorville Komets is our community, Dodge County, and Mantorville schools.

A question was asked about how much money from Kasson gambling comes into Mantorville. Koreen Seim did not have this information. Councilmember Ingalls said the City of Kasson passed a resolution that 80% of their money stays in Kasson. Koreen Seim said she doesn't understand where that comes from and that gambling funds will go to our kids and our Firemen and our community. There isn't a problem with it, she said.

Lynnette Nash stated that she wants to make something clear - we cannot dictate who they have for gambling, that is entirely their discretion and to say we don't like hockey, it's not fair, it's their business, it's their choice who they allow for gambling. If the City feels they want some kind of input for those gambling dollars beyond what they give out for lawful gambling, then that's when you create an ordinance about it. Kasson gambling money has to be inside the city of Kasson, it cannot be the surrounding townships. The reason Kasson made that ordinance is because the money was going to Dover-Eyota. That's why the ordinance was created, and I don't see it out of line for Mantorville.

Koreen Seim said we are all about the community and Dodge County and the kids in our community.

Lynnette Nash added that, unless the City has a problem with a particular organization, then they can voice their concerns, but it's 100% their choice.

Koreen Seim said with our other gambling, she asked Sherry from the MRA if they would still like to do their purse bingo, horse racing, and meat raffles. If they would like to do that, the Saloon would be more than happy to keep that going with the MRA.

Councilmember Keller commented that the reasons for his questions is for Council's understanding and information, and he appreciates them for the information.

Virgil Andrist asked where the money from the American Legion in Kasson goes to; the answer was that it goes to Kasson-Mantorville sports. Virgil Andrist said they are doing basically the same thing as what the Seim's want. Lynnette Nash said the Legion in Kasson donates to Kasson-Mantorville sports but the majority of their money stays in their community the same way as Dodge Center's stays in their community. There are some things that are county-wide, such as Santa Anonymous and other

organizations at Christmastime that ask for funds. The end net is not \$5 million dollars. That net is not where you think it is. If funds are needed for Dennison Park, all they have to do is ask for a donation.

Bill Reding said the Legion also pays to the Color Guard, which is how they get all of their markers and flags.

The Treasurer of the Dodge County Youth Hockey Board said, from a financial standpoint, operating costs to run a hockey program are very expensive. We have a number of kids from Mantorville, specifically, and other communities that are a part of our program. Registration income accounts for only 38% of our revenue budget, so it covers only 38% of our operating expenses. Ice time, alone, is a six-figure balance on our budget. We use a lot of fundraisers, like a lot of other sports, and sponsorships income to bridge that gap, but we rely on charitable gambling, as well. It keeps hockey affordable for our communities and keeps the costs very low, compared to city teams, and allows our families here to enroll their kids in the sport. Our families are already feeling the pains of the pandemic and we need to bolster our charitable gambling right now. Many of our families are barely affording the sport, and we want to keep it affordable for our families. At a time when a lot of kids are dependent on screens, devices, and technology, we want them to get out and to play hockey. We do not want to limit our ice time, we do not want to limit their ability to get out and be with their peers, and we do not want to limit their ability to build relationships with kids from other neighboring communities. We are the Kasson-Mantorville Komets, we are the Dodge County Wildcats. Being able to be in more establishments and bolster our charitable gambling will allow us to continue our program. Right now, we really need to stabilize ourselves financially. This is keeping our kids healthy and active in their personal development years. This isn't just about hockey, it's about them building relationships, learning to work hard, and learning to persevere and navigate challenges. We build a tight community, which is important for our youth.

Councilmember Ingalls asked if they have other establishments donating to them. The Treasurer said that Pete's Repeat donates to Dodge County Youth Hockey Association, as well.

Mayor Bradford said any organization that looks for Mantorville volunteers and donations, we look for long-term relationships with them and look for a slowed down process to be sure we have discussed all the avenues. Ten years down the road, if Dodge County Youth Hockey Association would be in this situation, we would want to know why all of a sudden there is a change. They would have gotten used to this funding source and now there's a change. We want to be sure we've discussed and explored all avenues, so I appreciate your input, thank you.

Travis Bebee said he has been with the Mantorville Fire Department now for 12 years, now Assistant Fire Chief, he has a Mantorville address, and four kids that play in the youth program. One that graduated, one plays on the high school team, and two in the youth. He has a small business in the community, and this looks like dirty business. It

looks like people on the Council are trying to strong arm their business on what they can and cannot do. Do you have any idea the repercussions if they closed down their gambling altogether? What will that do to the community? He said he would seriously think about that before making a decision.

Another person commented that anyone who has received funding for a period of time is going to be dependent on it. The MRA will probably feel the hit because they've become dependent on it.

Motion was made by Councilmember Keller and seconded by Councilmember Ingalls to adopt Resolution No. 2022-31 Concurring with the Issuance of a Gambling Premises Permit Application for Dodge County Youth Hockey Association, Inc. at 501 Main Street North, Mantorville, and also Resolution No. 2022-32 Concurring with the Issuance of a Lease for Lawful Gambling Activity Application for Dodge County Youth Hockey Association, Inc. at 501 Main Street North, Mantorville.

Vote: 4 ayes / 0 nays / 1 abstained – Councilmember Hoaglund. Motion carried.

B. Gambling Permit for Mantorville Restoration Association, Resolution No. 2022-34

Councilmember Hoaglund abstained from discussion and voting on this item.

Motion was made by Councilmember Ingalls and seconded by Councilmember Keller to adopt Resolution No. 2022-34 Approving an Application to Conduct Off-Site Gambling for Mantorville Restoration Association, Located at 411 Clay Street, Mantorville, Minnesota, on September 10, 2022.

Vote: 4 ayes / 0 nays / 1 abstained – Councilmember Hoaglund. Motion carried.

10. Reports

A. Public Works Report

- 1) The 3rd Street Loop Project will begin on Wednesday.
- 2) The trees at Bill Reding's property came down with a huge crane. The bigger tree was 8' 2" in diameter. The smaller was also large and rotten inside.
- 3) We will be looking at a used salt spreader, similar to what we had, at Crysteel.

B. City Clerk Report

- 1) The candidate filing period ends tomorrow at 5:00 pm. Positions open include:
 - Mayor (2-year term)
 - Councilmember – 2 seats (4-year terms)
 - Councilmember – 1 seat (2-year term)
- 2) Reminder that the Finance Committee and City Clerk are invited to attend a meeting at Dodge Center Ambulance at 9:00 am on August 23rd.

C. Consultant Report – *No report*

D. Committee Reports

1) Chamber

The Chamber had a Work Session Thursday night to discuss Fall Festival, Olde Fashioned Christmas, and the Cemetery Walk. Looking for volunteers for events. Mayor Bradford volunteered for the Cemetery Walk. Discussion on lighting for a tree in the park or the pavilion. Councilmember Hoaglund passed out brochures for the Cemetery Walk.

2) Economic Development Authority

Looking at renewing the CEDA contract. Laura Qualey will be leaving and her replacement is Alexandria Slocum. Laura did a great job for Mantorville. The Brewery is planning to reopen soon; waiting for a settlement from Xcel and working with the DNR.

3) Finance/Budget – *No report*

4) Fire Department – *No report*

5) Infrastructure – *No report*

6) Kasson Mantorville Joint Powers – *No report*

7) Mantorville Restoration Association

Marigold Days is a subcommittee of the MRA and is requesting a street closing September 9 to 11:

Close 4th Street from Highway 57 to West Street;

Close 5th Street from Highway 57 to West Street;

Close Clay Street from 3rd Street up to 9th Street

Streets closed from 5:00 pm Friday to 6:00 pm Sunday.

Parade will assemble on 9th Street. Parade route down Walnut to 3rd Street, north on Clay Street to 9th Street. There will be 'no parking' signage along the route.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hoaglund and seconded by Councilmember Ingalls to approve the road closures as presented.

Vote: 5 ayes / 0 nays. Motion carried.

Assistant Fire Chief Bebee added to the road closure request. Close one block of 5th Street for the Fire Department dance, same as in past years and at the same time.

Motion was made by Councilmember Ingalls and seconded by Councilmember Keller to approve the road closure as presented.

Vote: 5 ayes / 0 nays. Motion carried.

8) Park Board

Councilmember Kinney said they are preparing for budgetary things. Discussed the take down of Reding's trees, we have an ongoing conversation regarding

refinishing the sides of covered bridge. Budgeted \$2,000 for the bridge but lumber costs are \$7,500 and that's only materials. It's in bad shape.

Councilmember Keller asked if the bridge could wait a year when lumber costs come down. Joe Adams said there are no safety issues but it's in tough shape and an eyesore. The Park Board is going to make it a lot more solid.

9) Personnel – *No report*

10) Fire Relief – *No report*

11) Township

Councilmember Hoaglund said the number of building permits issued is impressive.

E. Councilmember Reports

Councilmember Kinney said he was approached by a couple of people regarding the closing of City Hall on Fridays. One in person and one via email. They're not happy with the closing of City Hall on Fridays. That was a decision not made by the whole Council, he said. Councilmember Hoaglund said Council never voted on it; Councilmember Kinney agreed.

Councilmember Keller said it was delegated to the Personnel Committee. Councilmember Hoaglund suggested it be an action item on the next agenda and said he has heard the same thing.

Councilmember Keller asked the City Clerk if she has heard any feedback. She stated that there has been no feedback. She said Fridays are quiet. We just want to serve our customers the best we can. We get comments from customers that they work the same hours of 8:00 am to 4:30 pm and cannot get here before we close. So that was our one concern. If City Hall is open an hour earlier and an hour later Monday through Thursday, it helps these customers.

Councilmember Keller asked if there have been any complaints since City Hall has been closed on Fridays. The City Clerk said we have heard nothing. Councilmember Keller said he assumed Staff would have heard something.

Mayor Bradford said the Personnel Committee shared with Staff that we were going to try this and, if there is too much pushback, then we will go back. We wanted to explore an opportunity where we could extend the service availability hours so that there are more options for people who work outside of our community.

Councilmember Hoaglund said Mantorville is a little bit unique. It's kind of like a shrub. First year it sleeps, next year it creeps, next year it leaps. Mantorville is just like that. Monday it sleeps, Tuesday and Wednesday it creeps, come Thursday, Friday and Saturday it's leaping. For a small town like this, we almost have to take advantage of the way people come to this town. I've heard it from more than one in the business community, same as Councilmember Kinney has, that they don't like it. Maybe in might work in a big city, but Mantorville is different, it's unique. If you walk down the street on Monday, you could throw a bowling ball down the alley and you wouldn't

hit anybody. Even the Hubbell House sees that. They started serving lunches on Thursday, Friday and Saturday because that's when the people come to town and that's when we should be open.

The City Clerk said the longer hours Monday through Thursday is harder on Staff, but we want to serve our customers. People come in to town Thursdays and Fridays but they're not coming in to City Hall. We're busy on Mondays but by the end of the week, it slows down.

Councilmember Keller gave a suggestion that Gretchen could work the four days and Shirley Could work the five days. He said it's something to think about.

Mayor Bradford asked what if we're open Friday but not open Monday?

Lynnette Nash asked if the business you're taking care of on Monday could be taken care of on Tuesday? Every time something happens, it has to happen Friday night and you can't get ahold of anyone. It's difficult when you can't get ahold of anyone for going into the RV park. The City Clerk said that's when we use the drop-box and added that we will do whatever Council decides. It was just a thought to help our customers.

Councilmember Hoaglund added that all of our events start on the weekend and that's when people come to town for events. He said he would think that this is when the RV park is busiest, when we have an event. Lynette Nash added that there are questions to City Hall, but you're also fielding questions about the events, where and when are they going on, and information on it. That's part of what you do here in a small community. The City Clerk said she heard the reason for summer hours closing at Noon on Fridays was so Staff could participate and volunteer in events, as well.

Councilmember Ingalls heard it both ways, with some people saying they'd like to see City Hall open on Fridays but it's also nice that they're open until 5:30 pm because they can make it from where they are.

Mayor Bradford said we will keep an eye on this and make adjustments as necessary.

Councilmember Ingalls said traffic flow during Marigold Days, and the detour coming in, he feels we need to send a resolution or something to the County or the State to get them to adjust the detour before that weekend. He feels most of the people coming to Marigold Days may be coming from Rochester. If they're trying to come in through Kasson, it will be a mess. If we can redirect them to come in on 15, it will be better. Councilmember Hoaglund said the reason they didn't do it that way is they don't want to bring them by the school. Councilmember Ingalls said they could do special event signage for that weekend only. Mayor Bradford said he can touch base with Guy.

F. Mayor's Report

Mayor Bradford had nothing else to report.

11. Adjourn

Motion was made by Councilmember Keller and seconded by Councilmember Ingalls to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 p.m.

Vote: 5 ayes / 0 nays. Meeting adjourned.

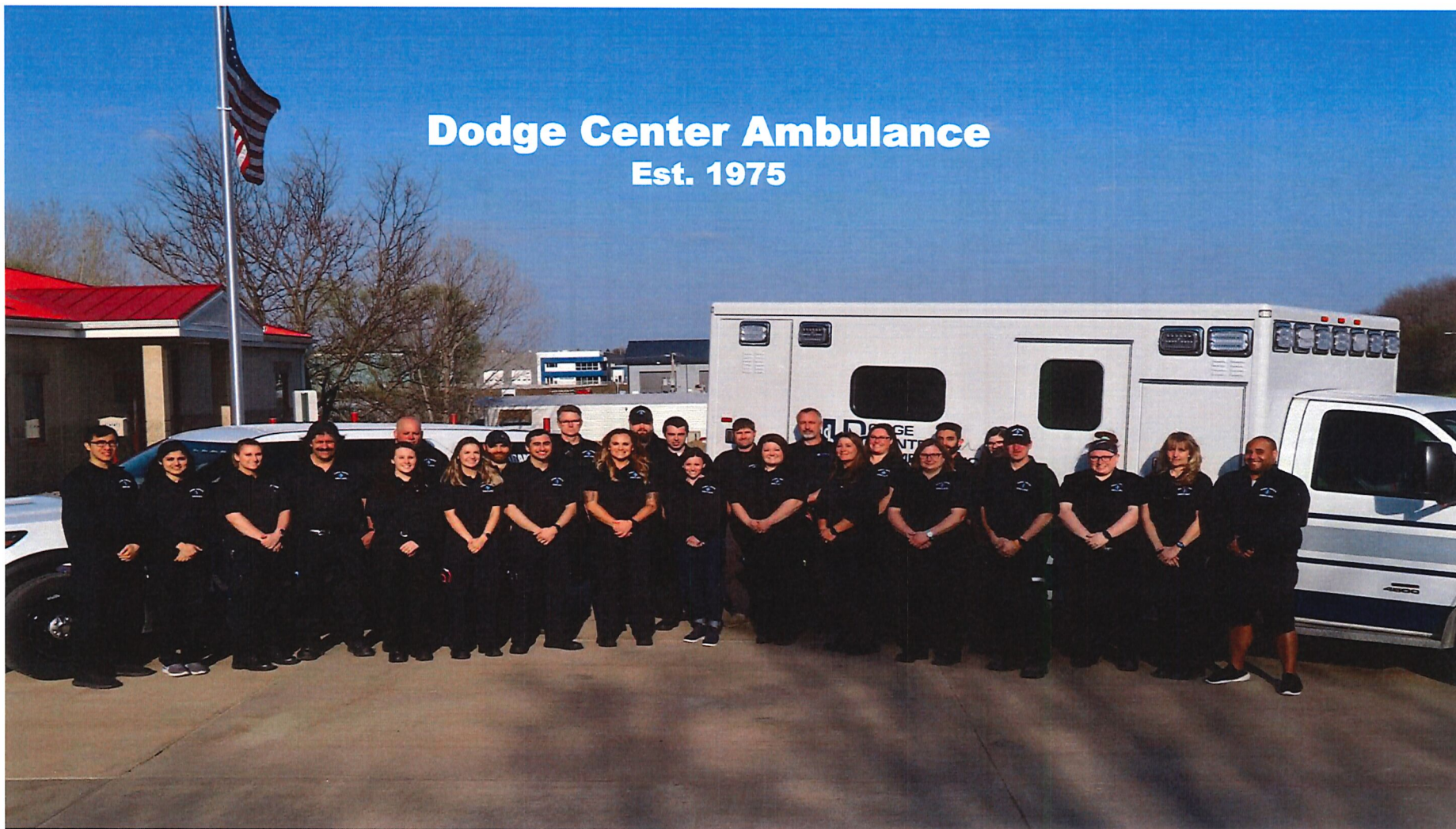
Respectfully Submitted,



Shirley R Buecksler
City Clerk-Treasurer

Dodge Center Ambulance

Est. 1975



Background

Established 1975 – SOS & MDH

- 8hrs of first aid training
- 16 ambulance drivers
- Responded to approx. 120 calls for service annually
- Vehicle: 1966 Olds-modular (hearse)
- Medication: Oxygen
- Equipment: 2-way radio, defibrillator, suction, cot, backboard
- Billing rate: \$45.00 emergency + \$7.50/mile = \$210.00

EMS Today

Structured by Minnesota Statutes 144E.

Regulated by Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board (EMSRB).

Licensing

Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board (EMSRB)

Basic Life Support (BLS) - #0306

Exp: 6/2024

Advanced Life Support (ALS) - #1934

Exp: 6/2024

EMT & EMR Training Program - #6157

Exp: 07/2024

2022

§144E.103 Equipment Requirements – basic requirements

- Oxygen
- Airway maintenance equipment in various sizes to accommodate all age groups
- Splinting equipment – various sizes
- Bandages, dressings, commercially manufactures tourniquets
- Emergency obstetrical kit
- Equipment to determine vital signs in various sizes to accommodate all age groups
- Stretcher
- Defibrillator
- Fire extinguisher

2022 Cont'd

- Drug and drug administration equipment and supplies approved by medical director
- Two-way radios
- Safety restraints
- All equipment must be maintained to manufacturers specification and in good working order at all times
 - Procedures for recording periodic performance testing must be developed, maintained, followed, and testing must be kept in licensee files
- Written procedures must be established and implemented for maintaining ambulances in working order, storage and procurement of drugs in accordance with federal and state laws, and controlling infection.

Patient Care

§144E Care requirements

Ambulance services must have a medical director (M.D.) that establishes standard of care and equipment, maintains quality of care of patients, reviews PCR's, and approves standardization of education and training of ambulance personnel.

Life-threatening situations and potentially serious injuries are recognized;

- Patients are protected from additional hazards;
- Treatments provided to reduce the seriousness of emergency situations is administered; and
- Patients are transported to an appropriate medical facility for treatment.

DCA VOLUNTEER Medical Directors

David Agerter, M.D. (circa 1990 – 2020)

Mayo family practice

Aaron Klassen, M.D. (2020-present)

Emergency medicine board certified physician

Mayo Emergency Department

Mayo Clinic Ambulance Patient Care Guidelines

BLS (EMT) scope of practice

- 5 emergency medications
- Intravenous access
- Intraosseous access
- Emergency pediatric/adult airway procedures
- ECGs
- Mechanical CPR

ALS (paramedic) medications include:

BLS medications & procedures

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21 I.V. medications including pain management

2 emergency invasive airway procedures

Video laryngoscopy

Primary Service Area

§144E.06 PRIMARY SERVICE AREAS.

The board shall adopt rules defining primary service areas under which the board shall designate each licensed ambulance service as serving a primary service area or areas.

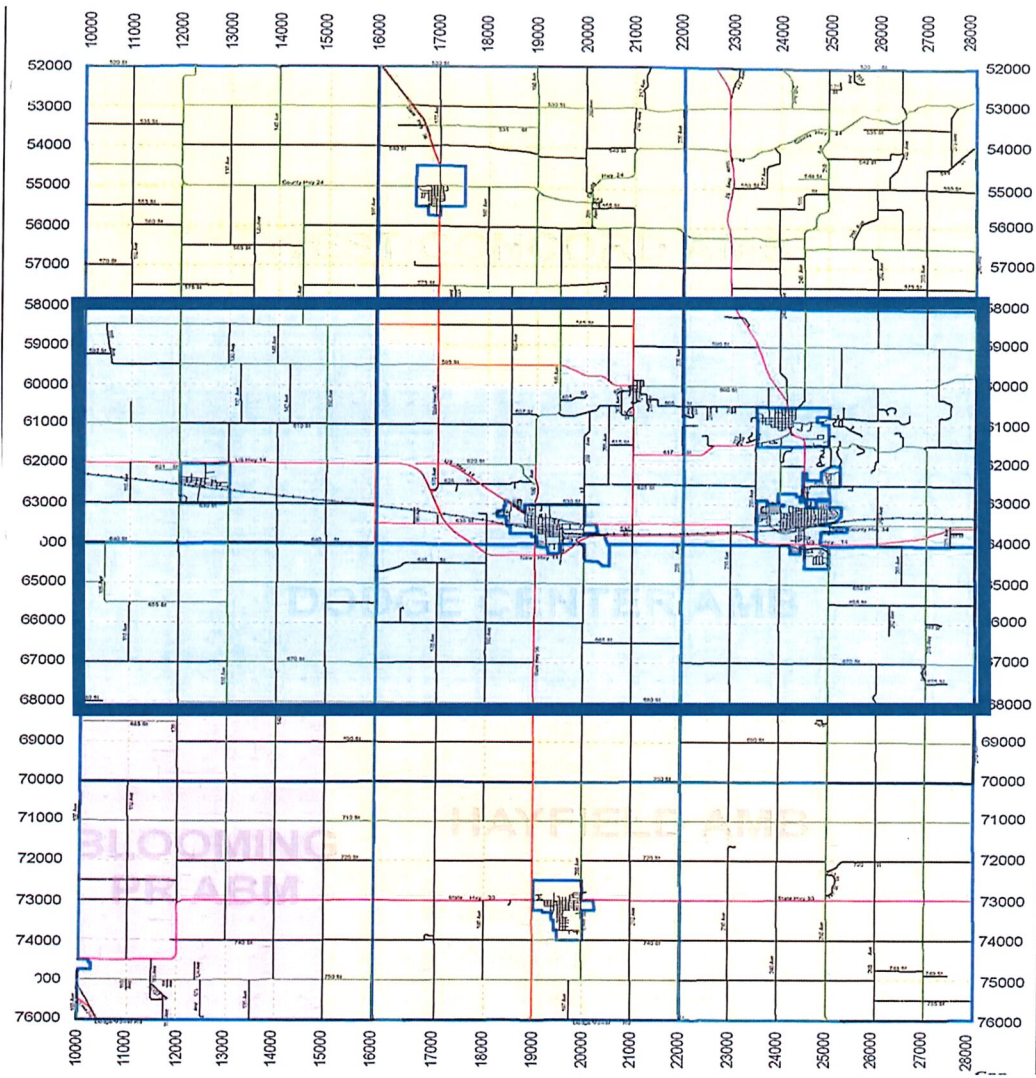
Primary Service Area

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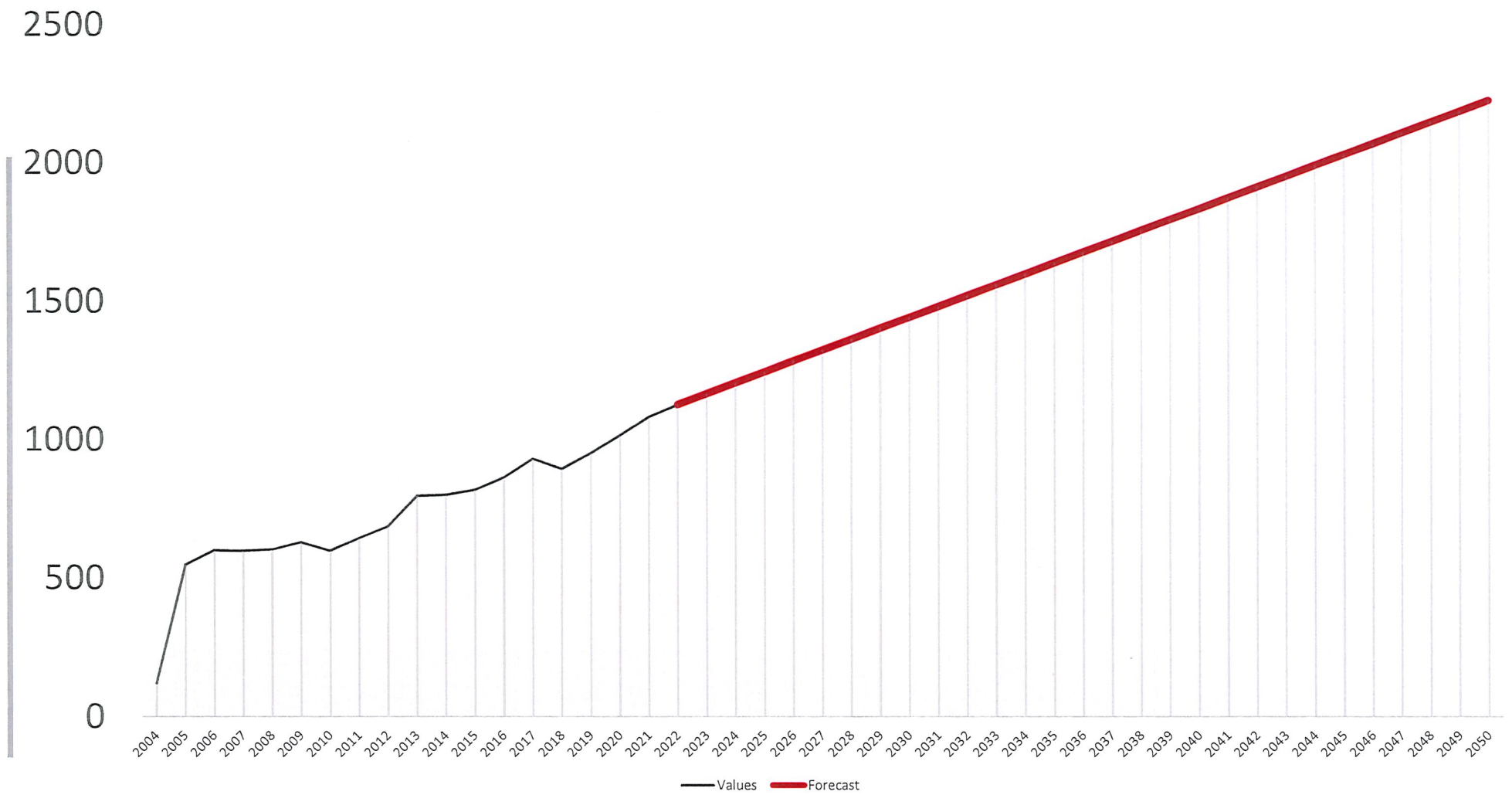
- Claremont
- Dodge Center
- Kasson
- Mantorville

Townships (*partial*):

- Claremont
- Ripley
- Wasioja
- Ashland
- Canisteo
- Mantorville



Call volume predictor based on past volume



2021 Responses by Zone

Mutual Aid/Other



Claremont



Mantorville



Dodge Center



Kasson



0

100

200

300

400

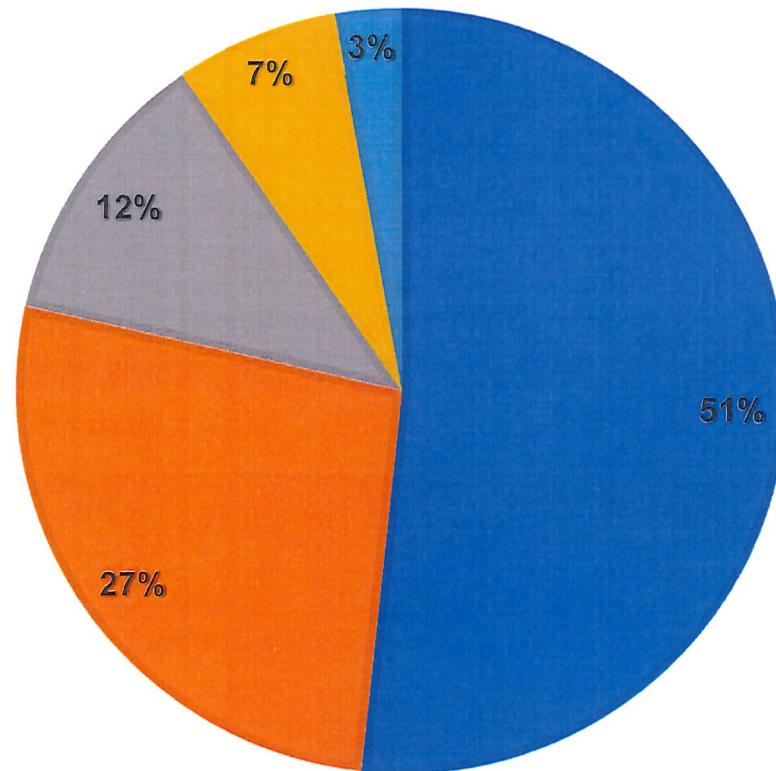
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■ Responses by Zone

RESPONSE BY ZONE

■ Kasson ■ Dodge Center ■ Mantorville ■ Claremont ■ Mutual Aid/Other



Response[®] Times

National EMS response time in a rural setting: 14 minutes

“Emergency medical service units average 7 minutes from the time of a 911 call to arrival on scene. That median time increases to more than 14 minutes in rural settings, with nearly 1 of 10 encounters waiting almost a half hour for the arrival of EMS personnel.

Longer EMS response times have been associated with worse outcomes in trauma patients. In some, albeit rare, emergent conditions (eg, cardiopulmonary arrest, severe bleeding, and airway occlusion), even modest delays can be life threatening.”

Source: National Institute of Medicine – American Medical Assn.

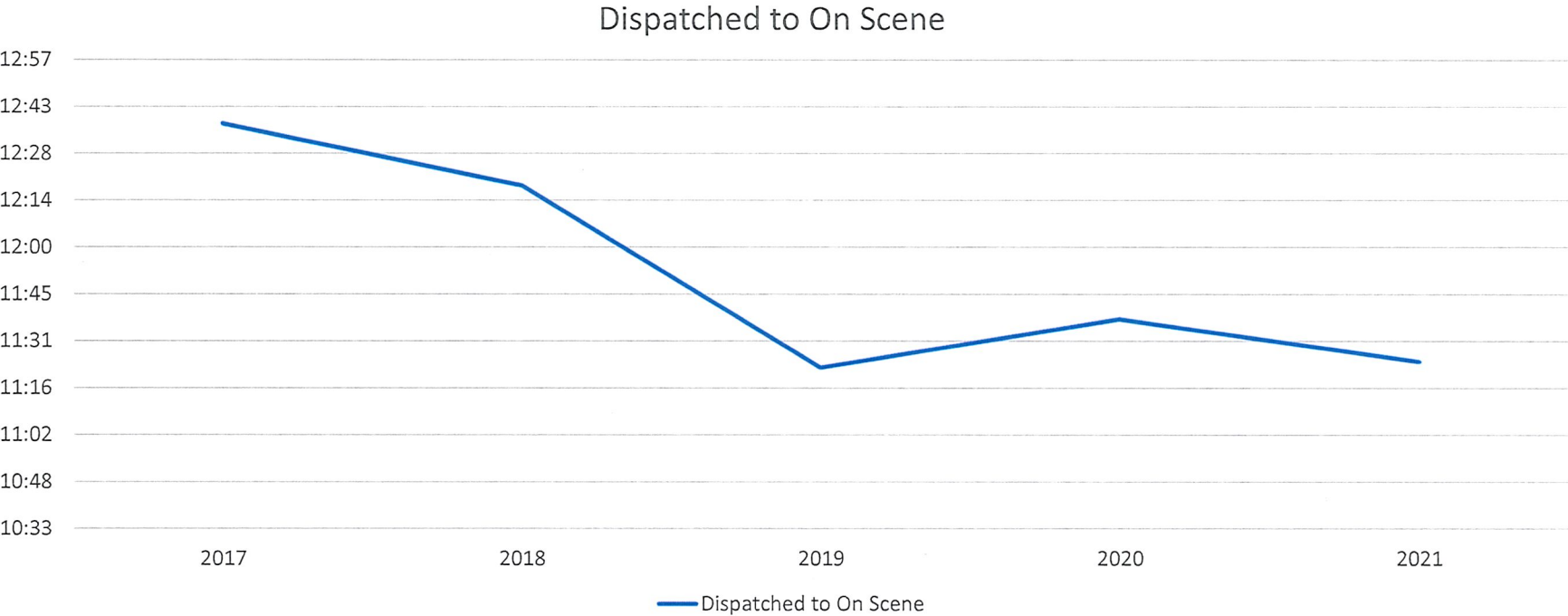
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Emergency Medical Services Response Times in Rural, Suburban, and Urban Areas

Howard K. Mell, MD, MPH, CPE,¹ Shannon N. Mumma, MD,² Brian Hiestand, MD, MPH,² Brendan G. Carr, MD,³ Tara Holland, MPH,⁴ and Jason Stopyra, MD²

Dodge Center Ambulance Response Times



§144E AMBULANCE SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

Ambulance service cannot operate in MN unless the personnel are certified to the level of service being provided.

- Minimum of two certified providers are required to transport.

- One provider must be certified to a minimum of paramedic or EMT; the other must be at minimum EMR.

An ambulance service shall provide service 24 hours per day, 365 days per year.

Leadership (2 FTE)

Angela Jarrett, Director/Paramedic

Anthony Gengler, Assistant Director/Training Program Coordinator/Paramedic

Full-time (2 FTE)

John Fox, Paramedic

Rodney Duryee, EMT

Part-time (1.5 FTE)

Mike Strom, Paramedic

Brooke Yennie, EMT

Chris Hughes, EMT

Paid-on-Call (7.5 FTE)

Abner Aguirre-Lopez, EMT

Curtis Alexander, EMT

Kayla Auger, EMT

Dena Blaschko, EMT

Justin Burkholder, EMT

Keith Clammer, EMT

Casey Dahl, EMR

Jeremy Dostal, Paramedic

Marissa Erdman, EMT

Steve Fairchild, EMT

Ally Feland, EMT

Kari Fruchey, EMT

Rich Gannon, EMR

Calli Giesler, EMT

Madison Hahn, EMT

Duke Harbaugh, EMR

Annabelle Hardwick, EMT

Makena Jensen, EMT

Shveta Kant, EMT

Rebecca Kellner, EMT

Dave Kenworthy, EMT

Mike Lau, EMT

Scott Le, EMT

Jill Lucas, EMT

Megan Lucas, EMT

Joe Mansour, EMT

Jordan Newcome, EMT

Makaila Olson, EMT

Katrina Pfaffenbach, EMT

Kianna Rowekamp, Paramedic

Chris Schuh, Paramedic

Sarah Shearman, EMT

Kino Sissoura, EMT

Hannah Stark, EMT

Jeff Ulve, EMR

Joe Wernecke, EMT

What is paid-on-call

\$3/hr on stand-by time + hourly run wage while on a call

Must have “reasonable” response time to station

Education requirements the same as paid staff

Licensed the same as paid staff

Paid-on-call cover 7.5 FTE annually

9.5 FTE is needed to cover primary crew

1.0 FTE full-time paramedic = \$100,674.88

Payroll for 9.5 FTE = \$956,412

Current payroll POC = \$65,000

Scheduling Requirements

Average of 60 hours offered or scheduled time over a consecutive 2-month period

—or—

12 hrs/month or 2 second crew calls

50% of our staff live outside of Dodge County
43 have been hired in the last 3 years

7-20 years of service – 3 staff

6 years of service – 8 staff

1-5 years of service– 23 staff

Less than 1 year – 14 staff

Shortage of EMS workers

30% of Minnesota's licensed EMRs, EMTs, and paramedics did NOT renew their license in 2022

Source: 2022 Analysis and Trends of the Minnesota EMS Workforce report

National Crisis

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Rural ambulance services in need of some emergency help

EMS organizations face a changing landscape as they transition from volunteer to partially paid services.

EMS staffing short for ambulances

BY CHRIS HOFFMAN
JULY 15, 2022 / 6:19 PM



Biloxi Sun Herald

MS ambulance providers fear a system collapse is near. 'We need to pay these people.'

The shortage nationwide has hit a crisis level, according to the American Ambulance Association. The turnover rate of ambulance workers...

Feb 7, 2022



INVESTIGATIONS

Delayed: Ambulance Response Times Suffer From EMS Worker Shortage

A nationwide shortage of EMS workers is having a trickledown effect on ambulance response times during medical emergencies, according to figures reviewed by the NBC10 Investigators.

By Ryan Keith and Jason Solowski • Published February 15, 2022 • Updated on February 15, 2022 at 12:18 am



EMS services warn of 'crippling labor shortage' undermining 911 system

"We're not bleeding any longer - we're hemorrhaging," one ambulance service operator said of a decade-long worker shortage exacerbated by the pandemic.



Prices at the pump hit rural EMS units

DODGE CENTER, Minn. (KTTC) – Dodge Center Ambulance says it's already used 100% of its annual budget halfway through the year, which is partly due ...

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EMS CRISIS



Funding

1. Enterprise Fund
2. Customer charges
3. Donations

\$5,000 annual education contribution from Kasson

4. Revenue Recapture

Approx. \$15,000 collected annually

5. Grants

2020/2021 Cares funding for equipment, FEMA Assistance to Firefighters for cardiac defibrillator, local for less than \$5,000

BLS – EMT response

ALS – Paramedic assessment, single medication administration, cardiac monitoring

ALS 2 – 2+ medications administered, invasive procedures (*needle thoracentesis, surgical airway, cardioversion, pacing*)

Treat, No Transport – Provide treatment on scene with no transport (*bandaging, assessment, diabetic treatment*)

Mileage – Loaded transport to hospital

ALS Intercept – DCA bills BLS agency for ALS response

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)

- ✓ CMS uses a reasonable charge method for ambulance payments
This requires proof of medical necessity deemed by CMS
- ✓ Reimbursements are approximately half of charged amount
- ✓ Balance billing is illegal
- ✓ Ambulance services are forced to write-off any remaining balance

2012 – United States Government Accountability Office (GAO) publishes study on ambulance reimbursements costs and Medicare Margins

Report shows that average Medicare reimbursements rates for EMS are -1 percent.

What does this mean?

Medicare is paying less for ambulance rides than the rides actually cost.

Medicaid pays even less, with rates as much as 40 percent lower than what Medicare pays.

As costs of EMS services continue to rise, Medicare and Medicaid rates have stagnated or even decreased.

Source: GAO-13-6 Ambulance Providers' Costs and Margins Report

In 2021 68% of DCA customers were insured by CMS

Billing

Current

BLS	\$1,600
ALS	\$1,800
ALS 2	\$1,900
Treat, No Transport	\$250
Mileage	\$23
ALS Intercept	\$255

Billing

2021 DCA Payor Breakdown

Customer Charges

\$1,669,282.61

CMS Adjustments

\$875,184.36

Actual Amount Received

\$794,098.25



48%

Issues we're facing

Supply costs up 63%

Rising fuel costs

Increased demand on staffing

Availability of supplies

Equipment costs rising

Fleet

2013 Ford AEV ambulance*

Mileage: 140,719

2014 Chevrolet LifeLine ambulance**

Mileage: 113,177

2021 Ford Explorer non-transport response vehicle

Mileage: 6,532

**2013 replacement ambulances ordered 6/2021; anticipated delivery 03/2023*

***2014 replacement ambulances ordered 6/2022; anticipated delivery 03/2024*

Ambulance price:

1975 - \$3,298

2021- \$199,950

2022- \$246,500



1,852%

Equipment Replacement Schedule & Cost

AMBULANCE	Purchased	Year New	Year to Replace	Life	Life Expectancy	Next 3 Replacements	Next purchase price with 4% annual	Annual savings to next
Cot	2011	2011	2018	11	7	2025, 2032, 2040	\$18,100.00	\$18,100.00
Cardiac Defibrillator	2012	2012	2019	10	7	2019, 2026, 2033	\$38,615.52	\$38,615.52
Stairchair	2010	2010	2020	12	10	2020, 2030, 2040	\$13,980.00	\$13,980.00
Portable Radios (20)	2010	2010	2020	10	12	2020, 2030, 2040	\$116,880.00	\$116,880.00
Mobile Radios (3)	2010	2010	2020	10	12	2020, 2030, 2040	\$17,725.20	\$17,725.20
Cardiac Defibrillator	2015	2015	2022	7	7	2022, 2029, 2036	\$38,615.52	\$38,615.52
SUV response unit (non-transport)	2021	2022	2032	10	10	2042, 2052, 2062	\$54,319.26	\$5,431.93
Cot PowerLoad	2017	2017	2024	5	7	2031, 2038, 2045	\$21,102.50	\$10,551.25
Cot PowerLoad	2017	2017	2024	5	7	2031, 2038, 2045	\$21,102.50	\$10,551.25
Stairchair	2013	2013	2023	9	10	2023, 2033, 2043	\$14,539.20	\$14,539.20
Cardiac Defibrillator	2020	2020	2027	7	7	2027, 2034, 2041	\$46,981.65	\$9,396.33
Lucas Mechanical CPR	2017	2017	2025	5	9	2026, 2035, 2044	\$19,697.60	\$4,924.40
Lucas Mechanical CPR	2020	2020	2029	2	9	2029, 2038, 2047	\$22,156.47	\$3,165.21
Toughbook computers (3)	2020	2020	2025	2	5	2025, 2030, 2035	\$7,815.24	\$2,605.08
Tablets (2)	2021	2021	2026	1	5	2026, 2031, 2036	\$1,637.80	\$409.45
IV medication pumps (2)	2020	2020	2028	2	8	2028, 2036, 2044	\$22,792.00	\$22,792.00
Glidescope video laryngoscope (3)	2019	2020	2028	2	8	2028, 2036, 2044	\$50,218.69	\$8,369.78
Training airway manikin adult	2020	2020	2030	2	8	2028, 2036, 2044	\$6,197.67	\$1,032.95
Training airway manikin child	2020	2020	2030	2	8	2028, 2036, 2044	\$6,197.67	\$1,032.95
Butterfly ultrasound (2)	-	-	2023	7	7	2030, 2038, 2046	\$5,408.00	\$5,408.00
Ventilator (2)	-	-	2023	7	7	2030, 2038, 2046	\$48,000.00	\$48,000.00
Cot	2022	2022	2029	0	7	2036, 2043, 2050	\$20,815.00	\$2,973.57
Ambulance	2013	2013	2021	8	7	2029, 2036, 2043	\$324,377.20	\$46,339.60
Ambulance	2017	2014	2022	8	7	2030, 2037, 2044	\$350,846.40	\$50,120.91
							\$1,288,121.09	\$491,560.10

Ambulance Reserve Fund

2021 Reserves = \$532,000

Remaining balance after ambulance
purchases = \$30,000

AMBULANCE	Purchased	Year New	Year to Replace	Life	Life Expectancy	Next 3 Replacements	Next purchase price with 4% annual inflation cost	Annual savings to next purchase
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Cardiac Defibrillator	2012	2012	<u>2019</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>7</u>	2019, 2026, 2033	\$ 38,615.52	\$ 38,615.52
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Cardiac Defibrillator	2015	2015	<u>2022</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>7</u>	2022, 2029, 2036	\$ 38,615.52	\$ 38,615.52

(\$243,916)

*FEMA grant application pending

Budget

Revenues vs. Expenditures 2005 - 2021

	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>Net Effect</u>
<u>2005</u>	\$ 358,728.13	\$ 319,797.94	\$ 38,930.19
<u>2006</u>	\$ 374,865.79	\$ 301,912.10	\$ 72,953.69
<u>2007</u>			\$ -
<u>2008</u>	\$ 436,905.38	\$ 384,762.45	\$ 52,142.93
<u>2009</u>			\$ -
<u>2010</u>	\$ 467,491.25	\$ 524,649.31	\$ (57,158.06)
<u>2011</u>	\$ 623,808.65	\$ 604,389.19	\$ 19,419.46
<u>2012</u>	\$ 772,848.75	\$ 634,970.09	\$ 137,878.66
<u>2013</u>	\$ 935,796.44	\$ 810,297.69	\$ 125,498.75
<u>2014</u>	\$ 1,093,844.04	\$ 1,022,155.12	\$ 71,688.92
<u>2015</u>	\$ 1,167,506.28	\$ 1,307,637.29	\$ (140,131.01)
<u>2016</u>	\$ 1,351,334.57	\$ 1,489,938.59	\$ (138,604.02)
<u>2017</u>	\$ 755,344.08	\$ 717,391.96	\$ 37,952.12
<u>2018</u>	\$ 841,372.78	\$ 747,237.10	\$ 94,135.68
<u>*2019</u>	\$ 881,292.66	\$ 734,539.69	\$ 146,752.97
<u>*2020</u>	\$ 1,078,045.81	\$ 818,308.68	\$ 259,737.13
<u>2021</u>	\$ 834,387.21	\$ 807,109.20	\$ 27,278.01

*2019/2020
CARES funds &
FEMA equipment
grant received