

Madeline Island Ambulance Service Report

February 23, 2015

During the month of January we did not have any transports and one island only call as well as an ice rescue stand by. They were all done in 508 our van ambulance because of the conditions. We did install a battery switch to maintain power to the system. Thank you to Adam for fixing this ongoing issue. It still seems to run down easily and we have people monitoring very closely.

We did have a training meeting this month. We did ambulance inspections and re-arranged some equipment and reviewed some of the equipment we use less often.

I did attend the Milwaukee for the State EMS conference. It was a great conference and very well attended. I spent a full day at the autopsy lab. The next day was a full day of leadership and legal classes. The next two days were general classes including several demonstrations at Lifequest. I am trying to spend more and more time on this program. It is more powerful than I thought and can do a lot for us. One issue is being able to bill for equipment and supplies more efficiently. We have had some difficulties with paperwork getting to the right people at Lifequest. It seems about four different peoples need reports. We are trying to sort this out so our bills get sent out efficiently. It would be nice to send it once and have all parties concerned get the right copies. It seems like an internal problem there but I need to help fix it.

Sarah and I did have an officer's meeting. We discussed candidates for EMS classes. There is going to be a class this summer and we have one student interested. We have another that is considering an intensive course for 19 days in North Carolina. I would be comfortable with two more EMTs in training for the service. I found out more about the North Carolina class at the conference. One person from Washburn attended and hoped to be licensed in the state of Wisconsin but so far Wisconsin is not recognizing his training. There is a concern that the state Protocols are not covered in the manner that the state requires. I will be discussing this with the Washburn service to see how it resolves before anyone takes the training.

This month we will start the new compensation program. Barb is working out a way to deal with signatures required on vouchers when there will be two forms to fill out. I was wondering if there is a way to have signatures on file for the per diem portion and our monthly signatures on the regular pay voucher portion. Barb is looking into it and will let me know how she wants it handled.

I will be attending the monthly area EMS association meeting this next week.

Respectfully Submitted,

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