## **Garrett County Emergency Services Board**

Meeting Minutes for July 10, 2007

Members present: Ed McLellan Brad Frantz Todd Dyche John Frank David Betz Jamie Rodeheaver Terry Spear, Emergency Services Coordinator Guests: David Ramsey

The meeting of the Garrett County Emergency Services Board was called to order by Chairman McLellan at 16:00 hours. A motion to accept the minutes from the June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2007 meeting was made by Brad Frantz and seconded by Jamie Rodeheaver. The motion carried by voice vote of the members present.

Brad Frantz reported that he and Terry Spear had meetings with both the Board of Directors and general membership of Northern and Southern Rescue Squads regarding the proposal of County government hiring EMS providers to supplement the existing volunteer crews. Both squads agreed to the concept of County paid EMS providers.

A letter from the Board of Directors for Northern and Southern Rescue Squads was discussed. The letter requested a meeting with the County Commissioners and other parties to discuss and ask questions regarding the proposal to hire EMS providers. Ed McLellan stated that the County Commissioners should not meet with the Squads on August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2007 until the proposal for the paid program has been presented to them for review.

A motion was submitted by Brad Frantz to send a letter to the County Commissioners recommending that they not attend the meeting on August 6<sup>th</sup> and wait until the ESB has submitted the proposal for their review and comment. Both squads have representatives on the ESB for their route to seek answers to questions regarding the paid program. The ESB recognizes the need to address any and all other concerns and would support such a forum following the Boards approval of such plan. Jamie Rodeheaver seconded the motion. Five members voted in favor of the motion and one member opposed the motion.

David Ramsey reported the technical review of Southern Rescue is on-line and continuing as planned.

Jamie Rodeheaver informed the ESB that questions regarding the formation of a fire department in the Yough Mountain Club have been surfacing within his office.

Meeting was adjourned at 17:45.

Terry Spear Emergency Services Coordinator

Next meeting: Tuesday, August 7<sup>th</sup> 16:00 hours County Commissioners Conference Room