

Garrett County Emergency Services Board

Meeting Minutes
for
November 16, 2006

Members present:

Ed McLellan
Brad Frantz
Terry Spear
David Betz
Jamie Rodeheaver
Todd Dyche

Guests:

Dave Ramsey
Ed Beckman

The meeting of the Garrett County Emergency Services Board was held at the WISP Resort in the Whitewater Conference Room.

Chairman McLellan opened the meeting at 16:00 hours. Minutes of the November 2, 2006 meeting were approved as presented.

Dave Ramsey and Brad Frantz presented information regarding the LOSAP proposal as it will relate to Garrett County Emergency Services.

Highlights of the Information included:

- 1) Most other Counties use the MSFA Income Tax Incentive Program as a guideline for establishing eligibility for LOSAP participation.
- 2) Garrett County Emergency Services Board will need to establish our own specific criteria for eligibility and grandfathering years of service.
- 3) Acquire previous year's information from MSFA Tax Incentive Program to estimate the number of eligible participants.
- 4) Review the requirements to be eligible for the Tax Incentive Program by reviewing the values assigned of each category. The assign a value to each category that would be equitable for all participants in Garrett Counties LOSAP.
- 5) How will disability issues be addressed?
- 6) Will some form of death benefits be provided?

Following a discussion Dave Ramsey volunteered to contact Joan Robinson, Chairman of MSFA Incentive Programs, and request her to attend a future meeting to discuss our LOSAP proposal.

It was decided to table the By-Laws until a later meeting

OTHER BUSINESS

QA/QI – was discussed, how Garrett County Emergency Services Board will deal with incidents where care is rendered outside of established protocols and/or level of certification. A systematic review of BLS and ALS calls along with a summary of the overall performance of each Squad needs to be addressed at a future meeting.

Coordination with the Garrett County EMS Council will be required to initiate this process.

Discussion regarding recent news items about Garrett County's 25 year Comprehensive Development Plan resulted in a proposal to submit a letter to John Nelson, Director Land Planning and Development, requesting that our Board be involved in providing input to the draft plan.

Next meeting November 30, 2006 at 16:00 hours.
Adjourned at 18:00 hours.

Terry Spear
Secretary