

***MINUTES BASS RIVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
SPECIAL MEETING OF JULY 24, 2019***

In attendance: Mayor Deborah Buzby-Cope, Deputy Mayor Nick Capriglione, Township Clerk Amanda Somes, Chief Tom Wetmore, Chief of Squad 85 Chief Jay Zimmerman. Public was present.

Discussion concerning the possibility of Quality EMS taking over as primary EMS Transport for the Township. Run reports were requested and received from Burlington County Dispatch and from Ocean County Dispatch. Upon review of reports and based on these County reports the needs of the residents is of concern to the Board. Deputy Mayor Capriglione asked is there a way to get the best of both worlds? Chief Zimmerman said if we have a duty crew than yes it can be done. Deputy Mayor asked can we iron out the logistics. He added the Board did not want to see Squad 85 gone. Just need to do what is needed for the residents. Numbers are a reality and that is what determines what we have to work with. Mayor asked if the Squad has considered Third Party Billing. Chief Zimmerman said no they have not. Mayor has concerns regarding equipment updates. Chief Wetmore commented the number of calls and the number of people to respond in a duty crew is always difficult. Mayor asked if it would be easier to have Quality cover midnight to 6 a.m. Deputy Mayor feels these logistics need to be worked out.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Bourguignon, seconded by Deputy Mayor Capriglione the meeting was open for public comment. Being none, the motion to close the meeting for public comment was made by Commissioner Bourguignon, seconded by Deputy Mayor Capriglione. All in favor.

No further discussion by Board. Therefore, the motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Bourguignon, seconded by Deputy Mayor Capriglione. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted  
Amanda S. Somes, RMC  
Township Clerk

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