

Town of Canterbury  
Selectmen's Meeting  
November 15, 2018

Selectmen Present: Art Hudson  
George Glines

Town Administrator: Ken Folsom

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM

Dave Collins from Penacook Rescue joined the meeting. The Board discussed the proposed increase for 2019 from Penacook Rescue. Ken provided notes on the history of payments to Penacook Rescue for services since 2014. He also provided notes on the proposed increase and how much each town would pay for a subsidy compared to Pembroke and Allenstown. Ken feels that the proposed increase of over 200% may not pass at Town Meeting.

Dave reported that their billing revenue has dropped more than 20% in the last year and that they also have no volunteers and operate with per-diem personnel. This has led to increased operational costs and that they also need a new ambulance. Their projections for 2019 reveal that a large increase is needed to stay in operation.

Ken suggested negotiations on reimbursement for revenue for Canterbury because we have a full-time FF/EMT and a part-time Chief as well as several EMT's that provide first responder services. We don't realize any revenue for these services. Penacook Rescue serves Boscawen also and they don't provide any of these services.

Art asked about Salisbury not providing a subsidy but still receiving services from Penacook Rescue. Dave explained that EMS is part of the mutual aid agreement and that is why they go to Salisbury. He also said that they have contacted Salisbury about a subsidy but have not heard back.

Art asked if we should try to get together with Boscawen and Salisbury to discuss the issues. Dave felt that that would be a good idea. Ken will contact Keith Gilbert, the Capital Area Mutual Aid Compact director to see if he could set up and mediate a meeting.

With no further business to come before the Board, Art made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 AM. George seconded the motion. All in favor by roll call, motion carried.  
The next scheduled meeting will be held on November 19, 2018 at 5:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Folsom  
Town Administrator