

Indian River County Florida

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Emergency Services District Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday, December 17, 2019

Commission Chambers

Board of Commissioners

*Chairman Susan Adams
Vice Chairman Joseph E. Flescher
Commissioner Tim Zorc
Commissioner Peter D. O'Bryan
Commissioner Bob Solari*

**Jason E. Brown, County Administrator
Dylan Reingold, County Attorney
Jeffrey R. Smith, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller
Jacqueline Rizzo, Deputy Clerk**

15. SPECIAL DISTRICTS AND BOARDS

A. Emergency Services District

The Board of County Commissioners reconvened as the Board of Commissioners of the Emergency Services District.

- 15. A.1. 19-1149** Approval of Public Emergency Medical Transportation Letter of Agreement between Indian River County Emergency Services District and the Agency for Health Care Administration

Recommended Action: Staff recommends, with the concerns listed in the staff report, the approval and execution of the Letter of Agreement between the Indian River County Emergency Services District and the Agency for Health Care Administration.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[PEMT Letter of Agreement](#)
[Email Dated Dec 3, 2019](#)
[Florida Statute 409.908](#)

Emergency Services Director and Fire Chief Tad Stone expressed his concern with the Letter of Agreement with the Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA). He explained that AHCA had significantly changed the process for how the County received the Public Emergency Medical Transportation (PEMT) payment. He further explained that AHCA requested an upfront deposit of funds from the County, and from providers throughout the County. He added that AHCA would use the pool of deposits as a match to obtain a Federal Grant. Chief Stone anticipated that the County would receive a return of their deposit from AHCA, as well as the PEMT funding that the County receives annually to help support Medicaid transport. He suggested limiting the agreement to a period of one (1) year.

Vice Chairman Flescher agreed with Chief Stone's concerns and supported limiting the agreement to a one (1) year period.

Commissioner O'Bryan suggested that the County notify State Representative Erin Grall and State Senator Debbie Mayfield to make them aware of the issue.

The Chairman opened the floor for public discussion; there was none.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Flescher, seconded by Commissioner O'Bryan, to approve staff's recommendation, and to limit the Letter of Agreement with the Agency for Health Care Administration to a one (1) year period. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Adams, Vice Chairman Flescher, Commissioner Zorc, Commissioner O'Bryan, and Commissioner Solari

B. Solid Waste Disposal District

C. Environmental Control Board

16. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:30 a.m.