

**Mountain-Valley
Emergency Medical Services Agency
Board of Directors Special Meeting Minutes
August 17, 2020**

Location: Via Teleconference Only
 Time: 9:30 AM
 Board Members Present: Gary Tofanelli (Chairperson) – Calaveras County; Jeff Brown (Vice-Chairperson); Terry Woodrow – Alpine County; Miles Menetrey – Mariposa County; Jim DeMartini – Stanislaus County
 Guests: Cindy Woolston - AMR; John Rohrabough – Fire Chief, City of Angels Fire Department, Rich Dickinson – Fire Chief, Calaveras Consolidated Fire Protection District; Joel Schwartz – Fire Chief, Copperopolis Fire Protection District; Alan McNany – American Legion Ambulance; Davis Harper; Derek Cole – Agency Legal Counsel
 Staff: Lance Doyle – Executive Director; Cindy Murdaugh – Deputy Director; Susan Watson – Executive Secretary/Financial Services Assistant; Justin Murdock – EMS Critical Care Coordinator/Field Liaison Calaveras County

A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM by Chairperson Tofanelli with a quorum of five members present.

B. Welcome and Introductions

Ms. Watson introduced the JPA Board members, Agency staff and guests who had joined the conference call and provided opportunity for any others on the call to identify themselves.

C. RFP MEMS-2020-3 Addendum #7

Mr. Doyle provided a brief history of the Emergency Medical Services System and Prehospital Emergency Medical Care Act which was enacted in 1980 to provide a statewide system of EMS to ensure the provision of effective and efficient emergency medical care to the people of California. Under this act, each County which has chosen to develop an EMS program shall designate a Local EMS Agency. In January 1981, the Mountain-Valley EMS Agency was formed as a multi-county EMS oversight agency with Calaveras County as one of the original members and thus delegating the county's EMS oversight to the newly formed EMS JPA Agency. The regulatory authority delegated to Mountain-Valley EMS Agency includes the authority to form exclusive operating areas; plan, manage, and coordinate the EMS system; and otherwise facilitate arrangements necessary to develop the EMS system.

It is under this Act that Mountain-Valley EMS Agency has the sole responsibility to conduct the Calaveras County Request for Proposals and subsequent formation of the exclusive operating area within the county. This process will be conducted with the highest level of integrity without outside influence. All proposals submitted through this process will be evaluated by a neutral, highly qualified and diverse experienced Proposal Review Committee and scored according to the guidelines outlined in the RFP. The addendums discussed today have no influence on this process and are strictly to further the goal of a competitive process as outlined in the EMS Act.

Addendum #7 further clarifies the ability of a Public Safety Agency to submit a proposal to the Calaveras Request for Proposals. There was nothing in the original document that precluded this, however in discussions with Agency legal counsel it was agreed to add some additional clarifying information and also some clarifying language regarding the submission of financial documents if a JPA made up of multiple members were to submit a proposal.

This addendum will have to be approved by the State EMS Authority once it is approved here and will be submitted to the State with a note that it is of an urgent nature.

Mr. McNany asked if this addendum was providing clarification only and not a revision of requirements..

Mr. Doyle affirmed this to be correct.

M/S/C (Woodrow/Brown) To approve Addendum #7.

Roll Call Vote:

Alpine County: Aye

Amador County: Aye

Calaveras County: Aye

Mariposa County: Aye

Stanislaus County: Aye

Motion Passed 5-0

D. RFP MEMS-2020-3 Addendum #8

Mr. Doyle noted this addendum extends the proposal due date to October 19, 2020 and the implementation date of the contract to June 1, 2021.

M/S/C (Brown/Woodrow) To approve Addendum #8.

Roll Call Vote:

Alpine County: Aye

Amador County: Aye

Calaveras County: Aye

Mariposa County: Aye

Stanislaus County: Aye

Motion Passed 5-0

E. Next Scheduled Regular Meeting

The next regular meeting will be on Wednesday, October 14, 2020 at 9:00 AM; Location to be determined.

The Board members again stressed their interest in pursuing an in-person meeting at Copperopolis Fire Station. The Agency was asked to explore this possibility.

F. Adjournment

Chairperson Tofanelli adjourned the meeting at 9:42 AM.