

Madeline Island Ambulance Service Report
September 7, 2022

We had just four runs in August. I think that is one of the quietest Augusts in my time here. We will hope fall stays just as quiet. We do have several crew members away quite a bit this autumn.

We have been working well with the ferry line all summer. Karen did call and go over some paperwork improvements we could make. We will discuss them at our next meeting.

The hospital is keeping a mask protocol for patients and staff. We will continue to follow their protocol. We do ask each patient what their vaccination status is, to help protect our crew.

We do not have any new students taking the EMT class this fall. It would be great to fill out the staff with a few more crew members. It has helped a lot to have John Carlson back on the service, and Thom Rossberger helps whenever he is here. John, our newer police officer, helps as much as he can. I am encouraging him to take the course.

At our last meeting we agreed to spend the ACT 102 extra funds from the American Rescue Plan on completing our EKG training and acquiring the necessary equipment. The balance we are working on a way to save for a new box ambulance to replace our oldest rig.

The T-shirt fundraiser is going well. We will have inventory to get a good start on next spring sales as well. I want to thank Frankie Flores and Sarah Schram for heading up the design and sourcing of the shirts. They have been very well received.

It is the time of year where I finally have a moment to go through the rigs and supplies and see if anything needs replacing or upgrading. It was a busy summer, and everyone is tired, but they have done a great job. We also have new protocols to train on and implement. We are also working on a group maintenance program for all of our Stryker equipment. The representative from Stryker is working with the entire EMS council to come up with an affordable plan.

There is a WEMSA conference this February that I am considering on attending. I haven't been for a few years; of course, COVID slowed us down. It was always a good learning experience. I also worked at the conference the last few years that I attended, and it was a great experience. I will encourage other members to possibly attend. It is in Green Bay this year so not as far as Milwaukee.

Respectfully Submitted,

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