Madeline Island Ambulance Service Report

April 2023

We had just one transport run in April. We are still using the Mercedes four-wheel drive ambulance even without an ice road as our primary vekicle. Driveways and road conditions make it the best option until the snow is gone and the driveways dry up quite a bit.

I am working on our Service License. There are a lot of new uploads that are required.

We did have our training meeting where we practiced on the Lucas and CPAP. We had our regular monthly meeting where we went over more on the new protocols.

I have started to do the spread sheet for the CMS requirement. We signed up to do their analysis on our costs of run for this year. I need to keep a very close eye on each run and its expenses. We did receive our second installment on our Flex Grant and it is in our designated fund waiting for our EKG equipment to arrive.

Bonnie Matuseski has her Wisconsin license and will be joining the service in May. She should be a great asset to the service now that she will be living here May through October.

We have a new ambulance inspector with the state. He will be here this summer to acquaint himself with our service and do our annual inspections.

We are now able to fill small oxygen bottles in house and are setting up our new area to be a dedicated fill station. I have done a complete inventory and cleaning of the storage closet and rigs to be ready for our busy season. We are hoping to do a dual training with the police and ambulance and the fire department would be asked to join, to work on coordinating car crash incidences and incident command.

I am continuing to work on learning more about our EKG equipment and the capnography capabilities. This is how you measure carbon dioxide levels in blood which is a better indication of perfusion than oxygen levels. We will have full training on this when our new equipment arrives and I want to be ready.

Respectfully Submitted,

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