

VILLAGE OF ARENA  
Arena, WI 53503

## MINUTES

DATE: **THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 2020**

TIME: **7:30 PM**

PLACE: **Arena Fire Station, 111 David Circle, Arena, Wisconsin**

PURPOSE: **SPECIAL BOARD MEETING WITH THE FOLLOWING AGENDA:**

1. **Call to Order at 7:30 p.m.**
2. **Roll Call:** Kate Reimann, Kathy Stoltz, Jessica Voight, Tara Hill  
Absent: Melissa Bandell, William Hanson, Charles Burch  
Others: Town of Arena
3. **Public Comment** - None
4. **Discuss options for EMS/EMR recruitment/staffing, prepare for listening sessions:** Try to have driver plus two EMT's. Current staff: 4 EMT's full time, 1 EMR full time and 2 part-time EMT's. Would like to have 12-15 on roster, 20-25 in a perfect world. EMT's sign up for six- twelve hour shifts per month which includes two weekend shifts, must find coverage if can't do a full shift. EMT course is 180 hours of training. Madison College offers but won't come out to Arena. Fennimore will come to Arena but must have 15 people registered to hold the course. Cost of course is \$1,200 per person. Currently pay \$15.00/hour when pager goes off. Professional EMT's make \$50/hr. Reasons for not becoming EMT's is because of the class and run shifts. Five year average of calls: Village – 335; Town -425.
5. **Set date(s) for listening sessions for the public to learn about EMS status/tax effects.**  
Listening session set up for Saturday, February 29<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m. at the Fire Station.
6. **Adjournment.** No motion made. Meeting ended at 8:35 p.m.