

October 19, 2020

To the towns of Gordon and Wascott:

### **2021 estimated budget**

Please keep in mind that our budget monies are from both the townships of Gordon, Wascott and

patient revenue. If for some reason patient revenue is down, we may need to ask for more money.

Here are the items we foresee for the 2020 budget with increase to the budget from the towns of Gordon and Wascott,

We currently are asking for an increase of \$1,100.00 to the \$5,204.17 a month = \$67,182.00 year.

Reasons for the increase is the cost of supplies have increased by 35% since the pandemic. We are now unable to order just one or two items at a time that had helped keep our supply cost down. We now need to keep 3 months supplies on hand due to shortages and minimum numbers that we can purchase.

PPE has tripled in price. PPE is still hard to find and limited on amount you can purchase at a time.

Cleaning and disinfectant supplies are hard to get at hospital grade to be able to clean and kill the COVID.

### **Here are some of the items we will be working on this year and in the future:**

AED Batteries at 400.00 each (these are 4-year batteries), due to the pandemic we were unable to purchase these in 2019.

Incentives/recruitment for members (2019,2020, 2021)

Service Award Program: \$7,300.00 for 10years, buying back 2 years at a time for up to 10 years of service from when we started the program. (2018,2019,2020,2021)

Purchase of the replacement ambulance 414 which is the 4-wheel drive ambulance, this is preapproved from 2020, to purchase with no payments until 2022.

Monitors were purchased via lease program in 2020. Thank you.

At the joint meeting, it was discussed that we are looking to hire 2 fulltime employees with the towns figuring the pay, it was also discussed that the members, Director and Asst. Director pay be increased. Town of Gordon Clerk Stephanie James was to work with Director Betty Ebert on this matter and bring it back to the town boards. This is still a work in progress, if this is accepted at the town board level Stephanie suggested to make a note in our budget of an additional 120,000.00 to be added to the budget. (2021)

Thank you for your continues support of the service,

Betty Ebert

Director GWEMS