



CITY OF AMESBURY, MA
BOARD OF HEALTH
MEETING MINUTES
October 10, 2024

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By City Clerk at 9:27 am, Jan 08, 2025

Virtual Meeting called to order

Roll Call Attendance: Ann McKay, Chairman; Robin Beeley; Dan McQueen
Staff: Vincenzo Tirone, Dir. of Inspectional Services;

Meeting Minutes of September 3, 2024: Approved.

1. PHE Grant Expense

Invoice for the Amesbury Fire Dept., #21539, ship date 9/13/24.

The members met and discussed the invoice presented. Before formally approving this invoice, the Board Voted to approve and pay the invoice with a condition that the following answers to these questions are provided in writing. A Board member works in a field which involves AED units and are extremely familiar with the product, services, expense etc. The Board wants to see in writing what the overall programming is for the City and the upcoming needs based on the questions below from the Department asking the Board to pay for this invoice.

- 1) How many AED machines do we have and where?
- 2) Who has been paying these similar invoices in the past and from what line item?
- 3) Why is the BOH being asked to pay this invoice at this time?
- 4) What are the manufacturers and year of purchase of each - serial number?
- 5) What is the lifespan of each - in other words how many are end of life NOW?

Batteries cost around \$500 - 5-year expiration usually

Pads expect around \$250 - 2-year expiration usually -

if all the machines are the same type and can interchange pads and batteries, then the back-up supply can be consistent. If one is used, all these parts need to be changed.

Zoll machine is better than Phillips. Phillips has been awful for parts, etc. for over 4 years now.

You won't get a 'deal' on new purchase of multiple machines. Bulk purchase doesn't exist with AEDs. Don't replace them all at the same time - then they all come to end of life at the same time.

2. PHE Grant Expenses and Services to Explore

The Board discussed at great lengths the future staffing opportunity regarding the hiring of future mental health, full-time, municipal employee for Amesbury. This expert would oversee clinical health/mental health. The Board would like to explore future options available via the PHE grant to implement and explore. The Board requested Vinny to present at a future meeting additional information and to work with the cities HR Department and Mayor in collecting this information.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Robin, seconded by Dan. The meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm



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