

ORDINANCE NO. 2021- 7

AN ORDINANCE REVISING THE AMBULANCE ADVISORY BOARD

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Daviess County (“Commissioners”) have established a County Ambulance Advisory Board (“Board”); and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners wish to revise the type of positions participating on this Board; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The language below shall supersede and replace section D § 35.04 of the Daviess County Code of Ordinances.

D) *The County Ambulance Advisory Board established.*

(1) The Daviess County Ambulance Advisory Board shall consist of nine (9) members appointed as follows.

(a) The Board of Commissioners shall appoint members to the Advisory Board as follows:

1. Communications dispatcher residing in Daviess County that is certified as an “Emergency Medical Dispatcher” (EMD)
2. A Daviess Community Hospital Emergency Department (ED) Nurse Manager/EMS Coordinator;
3. Daviess Community Hospital ED Medical Director or other designee of Daviess Community Hospital;
4. The City of Washington Chief of Police, or its designee;
5. The City of Washington Fire Chief, or its designee;
6. Daviess County Emergency Management Director;
7. The Daviess County Sheriff, or its designee;
8. The chair of the Volunteer Fire Chiefs Association, or such group’s designee; and

9. A member of a Volunteer Fire Department, appointed by the Board of Commissioners.

(b) These members will serve on the Advisory Board only while holding the office or position specified herein.

(2) Ex-officio members of the Advisory Board shall be as follows: The three (3) incumbent members of the County Board of Commissioners.

(3) A vacancy occurring before the expiration of the term of office of an Advisory Board member shall be filled in the same manner as original appointments for the unexpired terms. Except as limited herein, members may be reappointed.

(4) The members of the Advisory Board shall as soon as possible after the initial appointment is made, meet and elect one (1) member as Chairperson and another member as Vice Chairperson and another as Secretary. The officers of the Advisory Board shall be elected by the Advisory Board and serve for a two (2) year term.

(5) For purposes of transacting business, a majority of the membership of the Advisory Board constitutes a quorum. A vacancy in the membership does not impair the right of the quorum to transact business.

(6) Duties of the County Ambulance Advisory Board:

(a) The Advisory Board shall actively oversee the operation of the active county contracted ambulance service;

(b) The Advisory Board shall make at least one (1) annual report to the Board of Commissioners concerning an evaluation of the effectiveness of the ambulance services in the county and shall make recommendations concerning improvement, modification and continuance or discontinuance of the program, and additional reports and meetings may be called by the Board of Commissioners;

(c) The Advisory Board shall meet at least once quarterly; the frequency, time and place to be determined by the Advisory Board; and

(d) The county subsidized ambulance service will provide to the Advisory Board quarterly reports that include but is not limited to: number of runs divided into basic life support (BLS) runs and advanced life support runs (ALS).

- (7) The Ambulance Advisory Board is a "public agency" as defined in I.C. Title 5, Article 14, relating to public meetings and access to public records. However, medical records of patients shall not be considered public records.

This ordinance shall be in full force from and after its passing and publication.

Passed by the Board of Commissioners of Daviess County, Indiana, this 14th day of September, 2021.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF DAVIESS COUNTY, INDIANA

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