**TRI-TOWN AMBULANCE**

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To the Honorable Chilmark Board of Selectmen,

The Tri-Town Ambulance Full time staff, consisting of Matt Montanile, Jason Blandini, Eamonn Solway, Traci Cooney and myself, as well as future hires would like to be moved to group 4 Retirement.

Group 4 retirement is the same level as Police Officers and Firemen, and is an industry standard for other Paramedics across the Common Wealth of Massachusetts. The Dukes County Retirement Board also recommends this move.

This move would only affect the Full Time Paramedics, and would have no change or bearing on our Administrative Assistant, or the volunteer EMTs that work for Tri-Town Ambulance.

We would like you vote to accept Chapter 467 of the Acts of 2008, Group Classification for EMTs, and then to write a letter to the Dukes County Retirement Board with the date of the vote, and accepting liability for the group change. As Tri-Town Ambulance is a regional entity, we will be sending this to the other member towns as well for their votes and acceptance.

Sincerely,

Ben Retmier

Tri-Town Ambulance Chief