

## **PARAMEDIC PROGRAM –**

### **Stan's Questions – Chief Cox will be at our meeting to respond**

How many people will the EMS Chief be supervising? (Paid staff, Volunteers)

What will be the administrative relationship with the CHFD Chief?

Was not clear we had a good read on vehicle, supplies, training questions regarding Town's obligation to pay and ability for service to self-sustain at some point.

How were the revenue estimates determined?

Any discussion re: regionalizing program vs. mutual aid to better cover costs that insurance rates do not cover?

What is the expected 5-yr Town subsidization of program costs not covered by insurance rates?

The PPT showed that, in 2017,  $\cong$  30% of calls required paramedic level response, with utilization being higher if available. Wouldn't utilization only be higher if required, not just available? Isn't payment by insurers (private, medicare, medicaid) dependent on diagnosis code consistent with level of service?

Need to get better municipal comparative than the one referenced in the presentation.

Staffing:

How do we insure adequate staffing 24/7/365?

Are there enough paramedics in the market to be able to hire?

Will we be seeing an incentive program to hire, or to stipend volunteers?

Will the Town incur any liability if para level is required and the Town is not able to provide due to staffing issues?