

August 22, 2017  
Special Joint Meeting  
Town Board & Village Board

The Special Joint Meeting of the Town Board and Village Board of Caledonia with the representatives of Genesee Valley EMS was held on Tuesday August 22, 2017, 7:00 P.M., at the Town Hall, 3109 Main Street, Caledonia, NY.

Supervisor Pangrazio called the meeting or order.

**PRESENT CALEDONIA TOWN BOARD**

Supervisor	Daniel Pangrazio
Councilman	Todd Bickford
Councilwoman	Pam Rychlicki
Councilman	Mark Rothrock
Town Clerk	Laurie Sattora

**ABSENT**

Councilman Tim Anderson-Entered the meeting at 7:20 P.M.

**PRESENT CALEDONIA VILLAGE BOARD**

Mayor	Debbie Davis
Trustee	Scott DiLiberto
Trustee	Gerry O'Donoghue
Trustee	Polly Nothnagle
Village Clerk	Ann Marie Grattan

**ABSENT:**

Trustee Dorothy Fletcher-Grant

**OTHERS**

Supervisor Gerald Deming Town of York

**GENESEE VALLEY EMS REPRESENTATIVES**

Jim Carrol  
Sally Santora  
BLS CHIEF Diana White  
ALS CHIEF Donna Bailey  
Ray Racette  
Sandy Carpenter  
Tom Hayes

Genesee Valley EMS representative Jim Carrol gave the Town and Village Board a brief description about how many members are in the organization and that they have been a separate entity from the Fire Department since 2000.

They currently average about 700 to 900 calls a year serving our community.

The purpose of the joint meeting with GVEMS is to keep both Boards in the loop on what GVEMS is facing and considering so that they can continue to provide services to our community.

- Financial challenges.
- Billing about \$600,000 yearly and only getting 52-54% of what is billed. Currently using North Star for medical billing.
- Equipment costs.
- GVEMS had to open a line of credit to cover costs until payments come in.

- Consolidating with CHS (Chili Henrietta and Scottsville) or Finger lakes so that they would have more resources available for manpower and to be financially stable. Both CHS and Finger lakes do in-house billing and are very solid financially.

Councilman Anderson entered the meeting at 7:20 P.M.

Avon Ambulance is funded by the Rotary and Lima is 100% volunteer and are dealing with similar financial and billing issues.

Both Village and Town Board members asked the GVEMS representatives several questions about its billing practices and offered suggestions to help them become more financially solvent.

Jim Carrol told the Boards that if they do consider a merger with another organization, GVEMS wants the Caledonia location to stay along with the people, equipment and all assets would be merged.

Once a merger proposal is received GVEMS will contact both the Town and Village Boards and hold a meeting where the public is also invited for community input.

Supervisor Pangrazio and Mayor Davis thanked the Genesee Valley EMS Board for meeting with them and that they look forward to meeting with them in the future.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laurie Sattora  
Town Clerk