

Jordan Valley EMS Authority Board Meeting Minutes  
May 20, 2026 at 5:30p  
555 Maple St. East Jordan MI 49727

1. **Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance:** 5:34p
2. **Invocation:** Mark Penzien
3. **Roll Call:** Brian Olszewski (Wilson Twp), Tim Timmer (Echo Twp), Jay Peck (South Arm Twp), Mark Penzien (City of East Jordan), Alex Busman (Banks Twp), Jim Rathbun (Jordan Twp). Staff: Joel Yonkman (EMS Director), Andrea Seese (Meeting Minutes Recorder), Heather Jackson (EMS Accountant), Hope Wynkoop-Morris (Biller) Absent: Kim Brooks (Office Manager).
4. **Guests:** 12
5. **Approval of Agenda:** Discussion was had regarding adjusting the order of business due to closed sessions, to allow Union Representative to be able to exit early due to travel, moving item 3 to item 1. Penzien also indicated item 4 from the original agenda cannot be held in closed session. Timmer made a motion to approve the agenda with these changes, Busman supported. Roll call vote: Voting For-Olszewski, Timmer, Peck, Penzien, Busman, Rathbun. Voting Against: None. Motion Carried 6-0.
6. **Approval of Past Minutes:** April 22, 2026-Date correction, agenda stated March 31, 2026, Timmer made a motion to approve with change of date, supported by Olszewski. Roll call vote: Voting For-Olszewski, Timmer, Peck, Penzien, Busman, Rathbun. Voting Against: None. Motion Carried 6-0. Special Meeting Minutes April 28, 2026-added to agenda for approval, Busman made a motion, supported by Penzien. Roll call vote: Voting For-Olszewski, Timmer, Penzien, Busman, Rathbun. Voting Against: None. Abstain: Peck. Motion Carried 5-0-1.
7. **Acceptance of Accountant's Report:** April 2026-Date correction, agenda stated March 2026. Peck requested credit card update, questioned reimbursement to staff members, Yonkman explained these and offered receipts available for review. Busman made a motion to approve with change of date, supported by Rathbun. All in favor, Motioned Carried.
8. **Public Comment:** South Arm Twp Reps L. Weber & K. Olstrom questioned if a representative would be allowed to vote/have a say in the event Peck was removed from discussions. Busman mentioned last month there was a discussion regarding a possible conflict of interest as it related to Boyne Valley and Peck, Peck indicated he was not aware of such a discussion.
9. **Treasurer's Report:** Timmer made a motion to add Yonkman to the Enterprise Account (Mechanic Account) with inquiry only access, supported by Penzien, all in favor, Motion Carried. Peck made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, supported by Penzien, all in favor, Motion Carried.

procedure review, By Laws and Rules as they pertain to this board and the JVEMSA.

14. **Public Comment:** J. Peck suggested to speak to Boyne City and "hear their side of the story". J. Peck also inquired about the language used, specifically the term "proposal".
15. **Board Comments:** Busman inquired about recognition for staff members involved with life saving measures on a newborn. Yonkman provided a brief overview of the situation and staff involved while maintaining HIPAA privacy for all patients. Yonkman also acknowledged other staff members that had been recognized throughout the community for exceptional service provided within recent weeks. Olszewski wanted to thank everyone for the discussion. Timmer with no comment. Peck with no comment. Penzien with inquiry regarding Mutual Aid, Peck indicated the Board wanted to have reviewed by an attorney and returned for board review following, Busman inquired why we have a Director if he cannot make daily decisions, this was a required agreement and was on a time limit, Yonkman was acknowledged for his proactive approach in accomplishing this requirement. Peck exited at approximately 9:11p.
16. **Motion to adjourn meeting** made by Penzien, supported by Busman. All in favor, Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:15p

Presented By: Andrea Seese \_\_\_\_\_

Board Secretary: Jim Rathbun \_\_\_\_\_

