MEETING MINUTES SOUTH EAST REGIONAL EMERGENCY SERVICE AUTHORITY SPECIAL MEETING APRIL 29, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 2:16 pm by Chief Holland

Roll Call with the following members present: Rouhib, Monroe, Woodcox, Coppler, Holland

Members of the public present: Mike Pettyes, Justin Hoslet, Sheri Fredrick, Tony Leese. Ex-officio Cherie Bartram

3. Adoption of Agenda:

Motion by Monroe, seconded by Woodcox, to adopt the agenda as presented. - MOTION CARRIED

4. <u>Correspondence and</u> **5.** <u>New Business</u> – Cherie Bartram had an e-mail from Mr. Spencer, a reporter from Fox 2 News. He had received an e-mail from an employee who forwarded an e-mail that Cherie had sent to SERESA employees. (He had the whole e-mail.) It stated that Cherie was not following precautions to keep the facility clean and was putting the employees in danger after she had COVID. Her response to him was that she followed CDC guidelines and procedures.

The problem is that personal information shouldn't have been shared especially when it had to do with medical information, there are HIPAA laws that were violated. Cherie said that the e-mail was given out without authorization. The Policy that was violated was number 3.7.2. Cherie is not aware if the story ever ran on TV.

The SERESA Union Board had contacted Cherie about their concerns and they have to log their temperature and symptoms at the door before entering the facility. There was a person working who said that he may have been exposed.

It was determined that a complaint wasn't filed yet, but we need to investigate because medical information was given to a Media source. Cherie may have violated the directive about how long to be off work and the employee violated the release of medical information policy.

A motion was made by Monroe to have Mike Pettyes do an investigation about who released information and who disregarded directives. Rouhib seconded the motion. There was no other discussion about the matter and all were in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

- 6. Hearing of the Public None
- 7. Adjournment Motion by Rouhib, Seconded by Monroe. MEETING ADJOURNED