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Municipalities agree to move Ambulance services under BRFA Board

The Municipal District of Bonnyville and the Town of Bonnyville have agreed to continue the joint management of Ground Ambulance Services in Bonnyville and area. Both the Town of Bonnyville and the M. D. of Bonnyville passed motions at this week's Council meetings to move the administration of the Bonnyville Municipal Ambulance (BMA) under the jointly operated Bonnyville Regional Fire Authority (BRFA) Board.

The BRFA Board is made up of elected officials from both municipal Councils and has been providing direction for the delivery of emergency response services since 1996.

“This move maintains local administration of ground ambulance services within the community where we can have the most influence on service delivery” said M.D. of Bonnyville Reeve Ed Rondeau.

The BRFA is working with the previous BMA Board to hire a full time manager of EMS services to run the day to day operations of the Ground Ambulance Services.

BRFA Fire Chief Brian McEvoy said “The day to day functions and operations of the BMA will not change. Once we have a manager in place and in conjunction with the BMA staff, we will look at what needs to be accomplished during a transition process.”

The two municipalities have also signed a five year agreement with Alberta Health Services to continue the delivery of ground ambulance services in the region.

Town of Bonnyville Deputy Mayor John Irwin stated “This move continues the long history of cooperation between the Town of Bonnyville and the M.D. of Bonnyville in delivering quality emergency services to our residents”.

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