



April 12, 2016

Re: First Meeting of the Fort Atkinson Adult Care Consortium

To whom it may concern:

The City of Fort Atkinson along with leaders from the local adult care providers have diligently worked toward improvements in the use of the City's emergency services (police, fire, and ambulance) within this industry. A series of meetings were held in the first part of 2016 that discussed the issue and formulated ideas that would lead toward the following two goals:

- 1 – Short term – a significant reduction in the number of “preventable” calls that are made to Fort Atkinson’s emergency services
- 2 - Long term – develop a sustainable plan that allows continued development of the adult care industry in Fort Atkinson, as well as an attendant increase in the ability of emergency services to meet the resulting need for service

One of several outcomes from these early meetings was the establishment of an Adult Care Consortium in Fort Atkinson. This professional group will meet regularly, and be led by those doing business within our community. It is imperative that practitioners from within this industry take leadership roles within this organization. Choosing such leaders will be a priority of the meeting. City staff will organize and support, but will not lead this group.

The first meeting of this group is scheduled for **Thursday, April 28, 2016 at 10 AM** in the Fort Healthcare Auditorium, located at 611 East Sherman Avenue, Fort Atkinson. The meeting will last about two hours and include an overview of progress on this issue to date. Much of the information developed to date is currently available on the City's website – navigate to the “Adult Care Industry” page. A meeting agenda will be posted there at least one week prior to the meeting.

Those licensed facilities within the City should also be aware that attendance at this meeting and active membership in this group places your business in a position to take advantage of three preventable calls to emergency services per year before forfeitures of \$1,000/ preventable call are levied. If you choose not to attend, your business may not take advantage of these three “free” calls, and will be fined upon the first preventable call to your address. A date for enacting this policy has not yet been set.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "AS", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

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