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Weekly status update based on meeting notes:

 While in a meeting with Dr. Nicholes, someone asked for him to give five reasons TO GET the COVID vaccine and five reasons to NOT GET the vaccine. Here were his responses (paraphrased):

Reasons TO GET vaccinated:

- 1) It keeps you from getting COVID.
- 2) It keeps you from dying of COVID.
- 3) It keeps your lung tissue working.
- 4) It is the right thing to do for everyone, especially healthcare professionals.
- 5) It is probably the safest and cleanest vaccine humanity has ever made.

Reasons to NOT GET vaccinated:

- 1) None, just do it.
- 2) Zero evidence of serious side effects.
- 3) I can't think of anything else, just get the damn vaccine.
- Hospital admin contacted us to tell us some of our last year capital budget requests are probably going to approved. Still a huge "PROBABLY" in that sentence, but looking at one power cot in Bolivar, one LP15 in Osceola, and some radio system improvements. Stand by for more info as we get things finalized.
- We made some changes to the Field Training Officer program. Instead of everyone having
 different expiration dates for different FTO requirements, we are going to identify the list of
 FTOs each January that will be valid for the entire calendar year. Give the managers a couple
 weeks to get everyone lined out with their requirements and we will announce the list for 2021.
- We continue to work on making dual oxygen tanks work on all our ambulances. Trial in progress.
 As soon as we know what we need to purchase for all the trucks, we will start making it happen.
- Managers are going to start working on bolstering our PRN pool by doing some interviews for PRN EMTs.
- We continue to work through preliminary request stuff to add an additional ambulance to the fleet. Planning on presenting to the Feb board meeting.
- Fleet services is going to work on increasing the mileage between oil changes to 5,000 miles so our vehicles aren't in the shop as often.
- The topic has been changed for the Feb competencies. We pushed back the in-depth ventilator topic due to we probably still won't have the new vents and circuits delivered by then. The topic will be STEMI identification and management