

Bayfield-Ashland Counties
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
April 23, 2009

Meeting called to order by Dean Hambrecht.

MINUTES – Thank you to Lyn Cornelius for taking the minutes for the March meeting.
Motion made by Gary Victorson, seconded by Tam Hofman to accept the minutes as written. Motion carried.

TREASURER REPORT – Steve Cordes reported as follows: Current balance \$4,290.48.
Motion made by Gary Victorson, seconded by Lyn Cornelius, to accept Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

RTAC – Dan Diamon reported that the next meeting of the Lake Superior RTAC is scheduled for May 28th at the Superior Hospital. An EMS educational piece related to trauma will be presented after the RTAC meeting. The goal is to make this available to EMS throughout the region by offering the training at each hospital and then at services throughout the region.

MEDICAL DIRECTOR – No report.

MDAC – Nothing new on the protocols. Discussion about need to submit new protocols to the state EMS section as an update to the operational plan for approval.

WEATHER SPOTTER TRAINING – The upcoming SKYWARN training dates were reviewed. All are welcome to attend.

Be SOMEBODY – The Be SOMEBODY standby/media event is scheduled for May 15th in Brule beginning at 4:00 PM. Agencies with apparatus/ambulances should arrive around 3:15 PM checking in with the staging officer on FG Blue. Any services willing to donate toward the ad campaign on channels 3 and 6 may do so by sending checks to:

Vacationland Fire Association
5280S Co Hwy H
Brule WI 54820

SMDC LIFEFLIGHT – Attendees were reminded that Lifeflight dispatch will call around for the closest helicopter to response if Lifeflight is not available. Lifeflight also has instructors that would be willing to provide training throughout the area that is user driven – what do we need. CEUs can be offered. Email suggestions to Jan jvictorson@bayfieldcounty.org or Ed Hofstrand ehofstrand@smdc.org.

HELICOPTER TRAINING – Iron River is hosting helicopter training on Saturday, May 16th 9AM to noon. The training will be held in the Iron River training room/hall on US Hwy 2.

EMS WEEK – Jan Victorson distributed copies of the EMS Week Planning Guide distributed by American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP).

TOWN HALL MEETING – The state EMS section is holding a town hall meeting at WITC/Ashland on Friday evening, June 5th. Leadership training will be held on Saturday, June 6th.

NEW REFRESHER – Discussion about use of the flexible refresher. Great Divide used the process through WITC/Rice Lake very successfully.

MADELINE ISLAND STORY – Mary Ross shared a story of a second grader who had learned the Heimlich “remover” in Brownies and used it successfully when a classmate was choking.

SCHOOL BUS PRESENTATION – Scott Thimm of Ashland Fire Department did a presentation on their recent school bus accident. He provided handouts and presented all parts of the response including dispatch and radio communications. Recommendation to transfer all students involved, not treat and release at the scene.

Motion made by Ron Brendalen, seconded by Ed Hofstrand, to skip the May meeting in order to free folks up to attend the EMS training in Superior. Motion carried.

NEXT MEETING – The next meeting is scheduled for June 25th at MMC/Ashland – Twin Island meeting rooms.

Motion made by Gary Victorson, seconded by Ed Hofstrand, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

IN ATTENDANCE

Ron Brendalen – Mellen
Lyn Cornelius – Bayfield
Marie Cupp – Washburn
Dan Diamon – Lake Superior RTAC
Robin Frierhood – Barnes
Viola Frierhood - Barnes
Dean Hambrecht – Great Divide
Tam Hofman – South Shore Ambulance
Ed Hofstrand – St. Mary's Lifeflight
Mary Ross – Madeline Island
Gary Victorson – Iron River Ambulance
Jan Victorson – BA Emergency Management

The following services received protocol notebooks:
Barnes – 20
Bayfield – 2
Great Divide – 1
Iron River – 20
Mellen – 14
WITC - 1