

Bayfield-Ashland Counties
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
December 4, 2014

The EMS Council meeting was called to order by Tam Hofman, President of the Council.

MINUTES.

Motion made by Gina LaGrew, seconded by Dan Clark, to accept the minutes as distributed. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Steve Cordes reported a balance of \$5694.90.

Motion made by Lyn Cornelius, seconded by Gina LaGrew, to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

MEDICAL DIRECTOR – Jonathan Shultz requested that the MDAC (Medical Director Advisory Council) meetings be considered closed in order to be more helpful to him.

- Minimum staffing for transport required by state statute is 2 EMTs. If the operational plan identifies staffing of a nurse plus one EMT this may be considered a legal crew. The bridge course for nurse to EMT is 100 hours through WITC.
- If only one EMT responding, act as a first responder to patient and activate mutual aid. Response by ambulance with limited staff to the scene is encouraged.
- Jonathan continues to use the “blog” on the EMS Council website – www.bac-ems.com – to address issues.
- Events coverage – EMTs cannot “clear” people for return to play.
- NARCAN – encourage the training to be done for all services by this summer. Plan for a train-the-trainer at MMC in the future. Once the training has taken place the service operational plan must be updated and filed with the state.
- Jonathan will be taking a few shifts in the MMC ER.

MDAC REPORT – The MDAC will be undertaking the protocol review proceeding section by section through the existing protocols and policies. If a problem has been identified with any particular protocol please forward that to a member of MDAC. It is estimated that this review will be a twelve month process.

MMC – Several items were reported on for MMC:

- MMC recently was reviewed as a Level IV trauma center.
- Spring 2015 “teletstroke” to be implemented – talk directly to neuro in Duluth.
- Lunch and Learn sessions will invite EMS for continuing education.
- Garage is in the budget.

RTAC (Regional Trauma Advisory Council) – Lek Superior RTAC is scheduled to meet at the Superior hospital – 1:00 PM on December 11th. Dan Diamon reported:

- State Trauma Coordinator has been offered to a candidate.
- HCC (Health Care Coalition) – funding for the Northwest WI HCC will continue to provide funding for three RTACs during the transition period.
- Tourniquets for Law Enforcement – training and distribution scheduled for next week.
- EMS-C – comfort kits are being made available to services throughout the state.
- WiTRAC – some portions of the state are using WiTRAC to determine patient destination; training for EMS services is coming in the near future.

WITC – There are 13 students in the current EMT class. Summer classes are listed on the web. Fifteen students will be needed for the class to be conducted. A daytime class may be offered in the fall.

HEMS – North Helicopter EMS has an official base in Siren. EMS A is available as a communications frequency. Patient will be transported to hospital of choice.

LifeLinkIII will continue to send the closest helicopter when called.

AMERICORPS – Adam Olson of AmeriCorps, introduced himself. He is working with Bayfield County Emergency Management on preparedness and volunteer recruitment projects, The focus will be on recruitment of EMS and Fire responders.

ICE RESCUE – A meeting is being held on December 15th in the Bayfield County EOC for those services on Chequamegon Bay/Lake Superior related to ice rescue issues.

FIBER CUT STANDBY – There have been several fiber cuts in the past weeks that has effected internet, telephone circuits and 9-1-1 in the four north counties. In situations when emergency calls cannot be received by the county public safety answering point (PSAP) public notice will be given to call or report to your local fire hall to report an emergency. Those on standby at the fire hall will report the emergency and request the appropriate assistance of our PSAP. If 9-1-1 calls are being forwarded to Douglas County departments will not be paged for standby. EMS may not be paged.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting of the EMS Council is scheduled for January 22nd – 7:00 PM – MMC/Ashland.

Motion made by Lyn Cornelius, seconded by Steve Cordes, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

IN ATTENDANCE

Kurt Blackman	Ashland Fire
Dan Clark	Washburn / BASO
Steve Cordes	Mason / MMC
Lyn Cornelius	Bayfield
Dan Diamon	Lake Superior RTAC
Jason Dickinson	Life Link III
Brett Frierhood	Barnes
Tam Hofman	South Shore / APIS
Abby Hood	Red Cliff / BASO
Matt Jakubik	North Air
Erika Kurtz	MMC Trauma Coordinator
Gina LaGrew	Red Cliff
Cindy Lazorik	WITC / South Shore
Adam Olson	AmeriCorps
Rob Pearson	North Air
Jonathan Shultz	Medical Director
Jan Victorson	BAEM
Jewel Yanko	Mellen