

Bayfield-Ashland Counties  
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES  
March 24, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Tam Hofman, President of the Bayfield-Ashland Counties EMS Council. All in attendance introduced themselves.

#### MINUTES

*Motion made by Lyn Cornelius, seconded by Gina LaGrew, to accept the minutes as written. Motion carried.*

#### FINANCIAL

The financial report was presented by Steve Cordes with a balance of \$4651.12. Membership dues invoices have been mailed out.

*Motion made by Erika Kurtz, seconded by Lyn Cornelius, to accept the financial report. Motion carried.*

MDAC (Medical Director Advisory Council)  
Medical Director Jonathan Shultz reported that protocol review is ongoing. Specific protocols will be updated as problems or issues are identified. He requested all members to let MDAC members know of any issues.

The current guidelines related to spinal immobilization are related to evidence based research.

The Draw-up EPI Train the Trainer is scheduled for Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 PM. Each service who wishes to implement this procedure is encouraged to have a training officer and/or other representatives at the training. Implementation at the service level will require an update to the a service's operational plan on file with DHS. Discussion about use of the IT clamp. Direct pressure is the primary method of bleeding control. Dr. Shultz reported that he has accepted the position of medical director for Gold Cross. He hopes that this addition to his EMS involvement will continue to build good coordination among EMS agencies. He has no intention of changing his role with BAC-EMS. At the same time if a service is unhappy with medical direction presently they are encouraged to research changes. Please contact Dr. Shultz is wish assistance with change.

St. Luke's Hospital is paying part of ER position to devote to EMS.

Essentia is providing joint medical direction to Gold Cross.

A reminder: An addition or change to protocols required an Operational Plan update.

Another reminder: Follow existing procotols. If questions or changes to be considered forward to MDAC and/or medical director.

Dr. Shultz – [shultz.jonathan@gmail.com](mailto:shultz.jonathan@gmail.com)

#### NARCAN

If a service is looking for Narcan training contact Erick Kurtz – [ekurtz@ashlandmmc.com](mailto:ekurtz@ashlandmmc.com) .

#### WITC

EMR class is currently being conducted.

Summer class has been scheduled. Will be conducted using a combination of ITV and practical sessions in Rice Lake. Applications are due June 1<sup>st</sup>.

EMR being planned for late summer/early fall in Barnes.

Conference went well. Comment from members that the conference registration was difficult to find on the website.

#### MMC

A reminder to notify the hospital ER [715.685.5320] when multiple patients or incidents have occurred. MMC is up 30% in number of patients. Duluth/St. Luke's is up 8% in number of patients.

#### HEMS.

North Air Care is hosting a training session and open house at their Siren Base on Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup>.

Life Link III is hosting a training session on Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9AM at the Northern Great Lakes Visitors Center.

An identified safety issue with all helicopters is drones. Be on the lookout when setting up a landing zone; get the drone on the ground. Radio issues – continue using EMS A for ground to air communications.

#### LAKE SUPERIOR Region NWWI RTAC

The RTAC has funding for PHTLS (Pre-Hospital Trauma Life Support) in the region. Consensus of

the membership to offer two eight hour courses aimed at Basic and EMRs.

RTAC Coordinator Judy Jones has retired. The hiring process for a ½ time coordinator for the NWWI region is underway.

HCC (Health Care Coalition)

The website is live – [www.nwwihcc.org](http://www.nwwihcc.org) .

Upcoming training includes;

- BDLS (Basic Disaster Life Support)  
April 26<sup>th</sup> – Eau Claire
- Regional exercise – April 27<sup>th</sup>  
Focus on emergent pathogens
- HCC Annual Conference – June 14<sup>th</sup>  
Pediatric Disaster Care
- CISM Team training to be scheduled
- Fit testing for EMS Training the trainer  
To be scheduled

BA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

ICS 300 and ICS 400 classes have gone well.

Thank you to the partnership with the National Park Service.

Medical Unit tasks and responsibilities were reviewed. The ICS 206 form was also reviewed.

RESCUE DIVAS

The Rescue Divas program is being planned for 20 middle school girls (6, 7, 8 grade). The goal of this program is to encourage girls to consider EMS as an opportunity for service and/or career.

Packets have been delivered to schools.

Fee: \$35 for the four days.

Dates: June 12 thru 16

Location: Camp Northwoods/Delta.

Be SOMEBODY

The Be SOMEBODY awareness and recruitment advertising is scheduled to begin in May thru Duluth broadcast media. Donations are being requested from departments and agencies throughout the region that will go directly to the advertising. The media event is scheduled for Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup> in Brule beginning at 11 AM. There will be live radio broadcast from the site.

*Motion made by Gina LaGrew, seconded by Steve Cordes, to donate \$125 to Vacationland Fire for the advertising campaign. Motion carried.*

ACTIVE SHOOTER DRILL

A community wide active shooter drill is being planned for early June in Ashland. More information will be available at the May Council meeting.

OPEN HOUSE – ASHLAND FIRE

Ashland Fire Department is hosting an open house at the new fire station from 11 to 2 on Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Council is scheduled for Thursday, April 8<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 PM at MMC/Ashland.

*Motion made by Gina LaGrew, seconded by Lyn Cornelius, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.*

IN ATTENDANCE

Chris Bulovsky	Ashland
Steve Cordes	MMC / Mason
Lyn Cornelius	Bayfield
Jason Dickinson	Life Link III
Brett Frierhood	Barnes
Tam Hofman	APIS / South Shore
Tony Huber	Mellen
Erika Kurtz	MMC
Gina LaGrew	Red Cliff
Mike LaGrew	Red Cliff
Cindy Lazorik	WITC / South Shore
Bob Meinholt	Glidden
Rob Pearson	North Air Care
Jonathan Shultz	Medical Director
Annette Soborowicz	MMC
Debbie Thimm	Glidden
Jan Victorson	BAEM / Iron River
Aimee Wollman-Nesseth	NWWI HCC