

Bayfield-Ashland Counties
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
August 3, 2017

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 Joe Schick, seconded by Rob Puls, to approve the minutes of the July meeting as distributed. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL

The financial report was given by Steve Cordes. There has been no activity since the last meeting. The corrected balance is \$13739.11.
Motion made by Lyn Cornelius, seconded by Gary Victorson, to accept the financial report. Motion carried.

MDAC (MEDICAL DIRECTOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE) – No report.

MMC – A report submitted by Erika Kurtz was read. Email updates will continue on issues that may affect ambulances.

HEMS (Helicopter EMS) – Mindy Olander reported that Life Link III will be providing EMS support at FireHouse Fifty, Fat Tire and Apple Festival. Overall operations are going well. Fixed wing fly-in July 13th was held at the Ashland Airport.

WITC – Joe Belany reported on several items:

- The EMR class at Red Cliff is about finished.
- EMT Refreshers are being scheduled with 22 hours online and 8 hour hands on.
- The Spring Conference will be held March 23 and 24 in Rice Lake.
- The fall Basic class orientation is schedule for August 23rd.

Discussion about advertising for upcoming classes.

Motion made by Gary Victorson, seconded by Joe Belany, to fund advertisement for the upcoming EMT class. Motion carried.

NWWIRTAC (NW Wisconsin Regional Trauma Advisory Council) – The combined RTAC for the NW region of Wisconsin met on June 28th in Cameron. EMS or prehospital has been recognized as a subcommittee along with Education, Performance Improvement and Injury Prevention.

NWWI HCC (NW Wisconsin Health Care Coalition) – The next meeting of the Health Care Coalition is scheduled for August 11th at the Barron County EOC. Discussion will include funding issues, hospital radios and use of WISCOM.

WEMSA – Wisconsin EMS Association has scheduled their service director workshop for 6:00 pm, September 28th at the Iron River Community Center. Information will be coming directly to WEMSA membership soon..

BE SOMEBODY – A committee has been meeting to plan for next year's event. A new broadcast ad may be developed to increase the ability to duplicate digitally. An EMS representative from the Council would be welcomed as a committee member. Contact Jan.

WISCOM – Jan has been working with Gold Cross to designate a WISCOM talk group for intercepts. Great Divide reported their talk group is working seamlessly in most areas.

BALG is being forwarded/patched to BAPAGE. Bayfield County is monitoring BALAW1, BAFIRE1, BACOM, BATRVL, RCALL61NW, and SCALL1. Other talk groups may be used and only monitored by dispatch as requested.

BAEVENT will be used for the FireHouse Fifty for race response and communications. It will not be monitored by Dispatch.

BAYFIELD COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER – Megan Quaderer shared a few reminders:

- No need to tell Dispatch if moving locations if notification methods are the same.
- HEMS – please identify which service you wish to have respond when requested.
- Bayfield County is working on the capability to text information related to a call directly from the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system.
- E-Dispatch is being used by Ashland County; Bayfield County is working toward use as well.
- Paging corrections in programming have been made throughout the system. Please notify if problems still occur.

Discussion about multi-agency event involving the Park Service.

BAYFIELD COUNTY EAP (Employee Assistance Program) – Sand Creek EAP is willing to offer coverage to fire and ems volunteers for a \$20/annual fee per volunteer. Bayfield County would provide the contract fee that is required for new entities to participate through their existing program. This could include other municipal employees as well. Jan Victorson read a letter that will be sent to municipalities.

Motion made by Gary Victorson, seconded by Rob Puls, to endorse the concept and letter to municipalities. Motion carried.

TRAUMA TACTICS – October 6 and 7 sponsored by Life Link III.

APPLE FESTIVAL –October 5, 6, 7 and 8.

SEARCH – Discussion of HEMS as resource for search at night. Night vision goggles are on HEMS.

NEXT MEETING – The next meeting of the Council is scheduled for Thursday, September 7th .

ADJOURNMENT – *Motion made by Gary Victorson, seconded by Joe Schick, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.*

IN ATTENDANCE

Joe Belany	WITC / Ashland
Adam Blakeman	Great Divide
Carrie Brody	Glidden
Steve Cordes	Mason / MMC
Lyn Cornelius	Bayfield
Brett Frierhood	Barnes
Tam Hofman	South Shore / APIS
Eva Kortness	Glidden
Mindy Olander	Life Link III
Meagan Quaderer	BASO / CCO
Rob Puls	Great Divide
Tara Renz	Mellen
Joe Schick	Mason
Deb Thimm	Glidden
Gary Victorson	Iron River
Jan Victorson	BAEM
Connie Wickinson	BASO / CCO