

**Thurston County Medic One  
Emergency Medical Services Council – Regular Meeting  
Emergency Operations Center/ECC  
June 19, 2013**

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**PRESENT:** Margaret McPhee, Dr. Tom Fell, Karen Rogers, Frank Kirkbride, Russ Hendrickson, Ken Parsons, Kathleen Bostwick, Pete Kmet, Dr. Larry Fontanilla, John Ricks, Sandra Romero, Greg Wright

**EXCUSED:** John Christiansen

**GUESTS:** John Carpenter, Mel Low, Steve Brooks, Terry Ware, Russ Kaleiwahea, Lenny Greenstein, M. John Way, Tony Kuzma, Mark Nelson, Gary Pearson, Dale Putnam, Brian VanCamp, Jim Fowler, Bill Hurley, Paul Brewster, Lon, Lanette Dyer

**STAFF:** Steve Romines, Fay Flanery

- I. **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL** – Chairman McPhee called the regular meeting of the Emergency Medical Services Council (EMSC) to order at 3:30 PM. Roll was recorded by staff.
- II. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – Kirkbride requested to rearrange the agenda to make Old Business Item A the last item of order to allow plenty of time for the TRPC presentation and a question and answer session to follow. **MSC** (Kirkbride/Hendrickson) move to approve.
- III. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** – Karen Rogers addressed the Council with concerns surrounding assigned seating and voting, please contact Karen with any questions or concerns. Council discussion followed.
- IV. **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
  - A. EMS COUNCIL – May 15, 2013 – **MSC** (Kirkbride/Ricks) to approve.
  - B. OPERATIONS COMMITTEE – June 6, 2013 (Informational Only)
- V. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
  - A. OPERATIONS COMMITTEE – Wright reported the Operations Committee has asked Romines to track the Healthcare reform act similar to the legislative report and Ops will forward anything of interest to EMS Council.
  - B. WEST REGION EMS COUNCIL– McPhee reported there is a position/appointment from the EMS Council to West Region Council vacant and anyone interested to contact Fay for an application.
  - C. STAFF REPORT– Romines highlighted on staff report included in the packet:
    - Flash mob video presented with Romines noting it was held at the Capital Mall on May 18<sup>th</sup>, there was also a flash mob at both the May BOCC and EMS Council meetings.
    - Legislative update – CPR in High Schools requirement bill has been approved no other updates to report. Romines has made contact with school districts regarding CPR training help.
    - State of Washington approved the SETFA application for a standard ambulance license; this is a non-verified trauma service level license.
    - Protocol App - The app is now available as beta and is in the process of being approved by the Apple store and Google store. We will no longer print the pocket book version once the app is available for providers to download. A larger, less expensive agency/vehicle version will be printed and website file will be maintained.
    - Response Time reporting update – Romines handed out a corrected response time report noting the method in which the calculation for the county-wide averages was calculated incorrectly in the past, however Agency response times were reported correctly.
    - Homeland Security Committee – Romines reported this committee has been put on hold, but he has been asked to participate in a State WATRAC Advisory committee for hospital bed/asset tracking.
    - EMT course completed and graduation is at Olympia High School on June 27, 2013 with 28 EMT students graduating.
- VI. **OLD BUSINESS** –
  - A. TRPC Update – Paul Brewster (TRPC) handed out a copy of his presentation along with his full report. Paul continued with the presentation. Council questions followed the presentation with **MSC** (Kirkbride/Bostwick) move to make both the PowerPoint presentation and report available on the Medic One website. Council

questions and discussion followed. Council agreed to allow a minimum of 2 months for Council review of the report and to forward questions to Paul Brewster at TRPC.

- B. EMS Policies Review - Wright presented the Operations Committee recommendation to adopt the Policy Standard format and Policy Summary. In addition, the Operations Committee made recommendation to rescind policies 10 & 17, and allow Medic One staff to rewrite as Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) as they are governed by RCW's, WAC's and Thurston County policies. Committee discussion followed with **MSC** (Kmet/Ricks) move to approve the format and summary policy. **MSC** (Kirkbride/Bostwick) move to rescind policies 10 & 17.

**VII. NEW BUSINESS –**

- A. City of Olympia Contract Amendment #1 – Romines reported the amendment is to modify the contract to reflect the paramedic FTE due to paramedic retirements. Romines added the City of Olympia is within the FTE standard reimbursement requirements for paramedic services and once they hire a replacement, another amendment will come forward to modify the FTE's again. Council discussion followed. **MSC** (Kirkbride/Hendrickson) move to recommend the BOCC accept the changes to the contract regarding the FTE modification.
- B. WREMS Appointment – discussed under Committee Reports above.
- C. Response Time Report – update provided during Staff Report above.

**VIII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None.**

- IX. GOOD OF THE ORDER –** Pete Kmet thanked the EMS Council for the short time he sat on EMS Council as City of Tumwater representative and introduced M. John Way as the new City of Tumwater representative. Romines showed the Council where to locate the TRPC reports on the Medic One website.

- X. ADJOURNMENT – MSC** Meeting adjourned at 5:50 PM.