

**Thurston County Medic One
Emergency Medical Services Council – Regular Meeting
Emergency Operations Center/ECC
January 21, 2015**

- PRESENT:** Margaret McPhee, Dr. Tom Fell, John Christiansen, Rena Merithew, Lenny Greenstein, Jim Cooper, Eileen Swarhout, John Ricks, Stan Moon, Greg Wright, Frank Kirkbride, Bud Blake
- EXCUSED:** Russ Hendrickson, Dr. Fontanilla, Roger McMaster
- GUESTS:** Karen Valenzuela Terry Ware, Steve Brooks, Scott LaVielle, Mary Campbell, Brett Knutsen, Meredith Hutchinson, Alex Christiansen, Warren Petersen
- STAFF:** Cindy Hambly, Fay Flanery, Catherine Griffin

- I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL** – Chair McPhee called the regular meeting of the Emergency Medical Services Council (EMSC) to order at 3:36 PM. Roll was recorded by staff. Round table introductions were done
- II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – MSC** (Greenstein/Christiansen) move to approve agenda as presented.
- III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** – Karen Valenzuela Former BOCC EMSC representative recognition - Chair McPhee presented Karen with a plaque in recognize for her commitment and participation in the EMS Council. Valenzuela commented on her appreciation for the involvement with Medic One and the commitment from everyone in the Medic One system. Hambly added Medic Ones appreciate for Karen’s dedication and involvement to the system and a special thank you from Director Steve Romines. Chief Wright added a thank you from the Operations Committee and Dr. Fell also gave a special thanks adding his appreciation to Karen for her understanding of the importance of the medical program system. Chair McPhee opened the table to anyone wanting to add comments of appreciation.
- IV. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- A. EMS COUNCIL – November 19, 2014 – **MSC** (Kirkbride/Cooper) move to approve.
- B. OPERATIONS COMMITTEE – December 4, 2014 (Informational Only) Chair McPhee asked about the annual West Region Conference and who would be present from Medic One, Hambly will be there as she is the chair of the conference this year. Moon asked about the law enforcement participation in the AED program, Wright reported that the TC Sheriff and the City Lacey are interested, but the City of Olympia and City of Tumwater feel that they cannot respond any faster than the Fire Departments, so currently it is about a 50%, interest in participation. Wright added discussion is still underway about where the AED’s would come from and Medic One staff is looking into costs.
- V. COMMITTEE REPORTS**
- A. OPERATIONS COMMITTEE – Wright reported the Operations Committee is back to work after a month off and will be conducting yearly officer nominations and looking at projects for the year, he added, a previous agenda included an item Non Routine License application for zone changes for FD16, this item was resolved and reported back at the November EMS Council. Ops Committee was unable to provide a recommendation due to a lack of information. In turn the EMS Council came to the same conclusion and realized that a tool of some kind needed to be developed to deal with these types of requests in the future. He added Ops is working on this tool which will include some data from the system. They expect to bring this back to EMS Council at the next meeting. He continued, West Region wanted the EMS Council to know that they have heard from the State on this and they also recognize the issue and are looking into it.
- B. WEST REGION EMS COUNCIL– Hambly reported the biggest item on West Region plate is the annual conference at Ocean Shores this year in February.
- C. STAFF REPORT– Included with packet, Hambly highlighted on:
- TRPC report – Medic One has received zero comments from Chiefs and Commissioners
 - Justin Frank from LFD3 has submitted his application for the Brown/Fell Scholarship award, Hambly added to be eligible for this award you must have been an EMT in the Thurston County system and go on to become a Paramedic and be hired within Thurston County.
 - CPR Outreach program continues to grow, we have had several Instructor orientations and have already setup over 25

more classes this year, the new data out reports 26.7% increase number of classes in 2014.

- We have received our PPE for Ebola and will be acquiring more as we have 600 suites currently and hope to double that inventory. Just in time training is ready in the event we need it for an Ebola outbreak.
- Surplus vehicles has been completed one to District 17 and one to City of Lacey
- Protocol update should be ready by mid-2015
- \$1000 per agency was approved by the BOCC
- Levy rate @ 37 cents on the 1,000 of valuation for 2015
- BLS data system – all but 2 departments have been trained on the new BLS system- we are currently beta testing
- 2015 EMT class to start in March
- Chief Wright added Chief Pat Dale will be retiring from City of Olympia along with Paramedic Kevin Armstrong who was one of the original paramedics in the system and many other involvements in Thurston County.

VI. OLD BUSINESS –

- A. TRPC Study Prioritization Update – Kirkbride reported on the final TRPC report including the GANT time chart supplying the time implementation for the projects identified. Kirkbride provided an overview of the project for the benefit of new EMSC members, Council discussion followed. Clarification of budget availability to cover the costs of additional TRPC work was provided by Hambly. **MSC** (Moon/Ricks) move to accept the TRPPC study and prioritization schedule and move ahead, Cooper abstained, Christiansen nay vote.
- B. Ebola Update – Ebola update was covered in staff report.

VII. NEW BUSINESS –

- A. Nominations Committee – Chair McPhee appointed Stan Moon, Bud Blake, John Christiansen.
- B. 2016 Budget Committee – Chair McPhee requested volunteers, then proceeded to appoint Frank Kirkbride, Jim Cooper and Rena Merithew to the 2016 Budget. Kirkbride reminded the council that last year the budget committee wanted to meet earlier to discuss setting up a reserve fund.
- C. Brown/Fell Scholarship application – Justin Frank FD3 – McPhee reported an application was received from Justin Frank with Lacey FD 3 to receive the Brown/Fell scholarship award, Medic One staff has reviewed and approved the application, council discussion followed with a MSC (Kirkbride/Christiansen) move to accept Justin Frank's application and award the Brown/Fell scholarship.

VIII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

IX. GOOD OF THE ORDER –

X. ADJOURNMENT – MSC Meeting adjourned at 4:39 PM.