

**Thurston County Medic One  
Emergency Medical Services Council – Regular Meeting  
Emergency Operations Center/ECC  
September 21, 2016**

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**PRESENT:** Frank Kirkbride, Tom Fell, Paul Perz, Roger McMaster, Margaret McPhee, Eileen Swarthout, John Ricks, Bud Blake, Greg Wright, Jeannine Roe, Rena Merithew, Stan Moon

**ABSENT:** Larry Fontanilla, Michael Steadman

**EXCUSED:** Russ Hendrickson

**GUESTS:** Terry Ware, Alex Christiansen, Richard Gleckler, Karen Weiss, Brian Hamilton, Steve Brooks, Battalion Chief Fox, Meredith Hutchins

**STAFF:** Cindy Hambly, Sandra Bush

**I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL** – Chair McPhee called the regular meeting of the Emergency Medical Services Council (EMSC) to order at 3:32 PM. Roll was recorded by staff.

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – MSC** – Hambly asked to move the Joint Citizen Project before the 2017/2018 Budget approval. (Moon/Ricks) move to approve the agenda as amended.

**III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** – None

**IV. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. EMS COUNCIL – August 17, 2016 – **MSC** (Ricks/McMaster) move to approve as presented.

B. OPERATIONS COMMITTEE – No September meeting

**V. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A. **OPERATIONS COMMITTEE** – There was no September meeting, so there was no report. Chair McPhee asked Wright to report on the safety concern with transporting patients who may be a perpetrator. Wright informed the council that this issue was brought to a TCOMM meeting for a discussion with law enforcement. It was decided at this meeting to move the issue to an operations committee level. In the meantime, the general consensus is to provide assistance to the primary agency if needed (i.e. incident is in Lacey, an Olympia police officer could be asked to assist with transport).

B. **WEST REGION EMS COUNCIL** – Hambly reported: There will be a conference the last week of February 2017.

**C. STAFF REPORT**

- Steve Romines cancer has returned to his pancreas. He is scheduled for chemotherapy next week.
- Emergency Services Director will begin September 26<sup>th</sup>. In addition to Cindy retiring, Pete Suver (ALS Coordinator) is retiring October 31<sup>st</sup>, and both job descriptions are being reviewed by HR.
- Preliminary Citizen CPR program 6 month review indicates 3,542 people trained in CPR (2015 6 month review was 1,254).
- Medic Hiring: Oral Boards were on August 29<sup>th</sup> for 6 candidates that did not pass protocol exam. 3 of these candidates passed and 3 of them failed. The candidates who successfully completed the oral board will be required to pass (80%) the protocol exam within 30 days during their probationary period.
- Paramedic Succession Planning: There are currently 60 paramedics online, and 2 vacancies. The expected number of vacancies in the next 2 years is 11.
- St. Peter Hospital Clinical Agreement: We are trying to have one clinical agreement between SPH and Medic One, and the fire agencies. SPH will revise the latest draft agreement and forward to us for review.
- Fall EMT Course: 32 applications were received. I changed their mind, I failed the AHA course, and 4 failed the pre-test, which means 25 moved forward to the initial EMT course September 6<sup>th</sup>. There are now 25 students in the course because 1 student dropped due to a planned family vacation.

**VI. OLD BUSINESS**

A. 2017/2018 Budget Review: Hambly and Bush provided the revenue budget for approval, and the 2018 expense budget, which was not available at the last EMSC meeting. Frank Kirkbride asked why the 2017 budget is not based off the estimated expenses for 2016. If the budget is based off the 2016 budget, with increases, there is a

15% increase vs. a 4-5% increase. Stan Moon explained that 2016 was underspent because there were programs that didn't get initiated, staffing levels, etc. and these items are expected to be expensed in 2017. The council asked if we could combine the reports that were presented so there would be one report showing expense, revenue, beginning/ending fund balances, and the reserve account. Next month there will be a presentation explaining the need for a levy restoration.

**VII. NEW BUSINESS –**

- A. Joint Citizen CPR Project: Karen Weiss, paramedic with Lacey Fire, presented a project that she is hoping will help teach citizens the basics of chest compression only CPR. The goal is to reach 20,000 citizens in the year 2017. This project is a 360 spherical video which takes a person on a "ride-a-long" with paramedics on a cardiac arrest call. The public will be provided with a 360 spherical viewer and can be used with a smart phone.

**VIII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None**

**IX. GOOD OF THE ORDER – None**

**X. ADJOURNMENT – Meeting adjourned at 5:19 PM.**