

**Thurston County Medic One  
Emergency Medical Services Council – Regular Meeting  
Medic One Office  
March 21, 2018**

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**PRESENT:** Margaret McPhee, Greg Wright, Jim Cooper, Frank Kirkbride, Tom Fell, John Ricks, Tom Oliva, JW Foster, Cindy Hambly, Stan Moon, Lenny Greenstein, Harry Miller

**ABSENT:** Larry Fontanilla

**EXCUSED:** Paul Perz, Gary Edwards

**GUESTS:** Chris Clem, Chief Scott LaVielle, Chief John Wood

**STAFF:** Anna Lee Drewry, Joy Miller, Ben Miller-Todd, Alan Provencher

**CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL** – Chair McPhee called the regular meeting of the Emergency Medical Services Council (EMSC) to order at 3:30 PM. Roll was recorded by staff.

- I. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA – MSC** – (Cooper/Kirkbride) move to approve the agenda, and this carried.
- II. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** – None
- IV. **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
  - A. EMS COUNCIL – February 21, 2018 – **MSC** - (Moon/Greenstein) move to approve the minutes and this carried.
  - B. OPERATIONS COMMITTEE – March 1, 2018 (Informational Only)
- V. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
  - A. **OPERATIONS COMMITTEE:** Wright reported: 1) The changes made to dispatch to free up private ambulances is working, however numbers have not been quantified yet. 2) Along with the surplus vehicles this year, there will be 5 surplus gurneys. The process to surplus the gurneys will be similar to the process used to surplus vehicles. 3) Opticom is on today's agenda under new business.
  - B. **WEST REGION:** Jim Cooper reported: 1) WREMS has presentations at each quarterly meeting to review ESF-8 (Emergency Support Function) for hospital and medical facilities, for each county. Also, the disaster medical command center protocols for each county is being discussed.
  - C. **STAFF REPORT:** This was included in the packet. Miller-Todd said the replacement vehicles for Medic 4 and Medic 10 are in service. Also, the RFP for the ePCR system has been extended for about a month.
- VI. **OLD BUSINESS**
  - A. Public Health meeting regarding Narcan – Miller-Todd reported: A meeting took place between Dr. Marc Stern (Olympia, Lacey & Tumwater PDs), Dr. Wood (Sheriff's Department), Dr. Fontanilla, Kurt Hardin, and Ben Miller-Todd. The goal is to have one physician scribing Narcan for law enforcement, with Medic One integrated into the training. While there are 3 physicians writing prescriptions for Narcan, Medic One would like to have a joint training plan and program so there is a unified approach on how people are trained.
  - B. Strategic Planning – Kirkbride reported: The first meeting was held on March 19<sup>th</sup>. Committee would like to change the name from Strategic Planning to Comprehensive Planning. Committee will meet each Monday, prior to the EMSC meeting, with the exception of April (meeting will be the Thursday prior to EMSC). The March meeting mostly involved identifying the responsibilities of the committee, which includes a comprehensive plan on dealing with the estimated growth in population for Thurston County. In addition, committee will ask Medic One if they can provide a recording secretary.
- VII. **NEW BUSINESS**
  - A. Rescind 'Responding to out of county incidents' policy – Medic One would like to rescind the policy as written. This policy was competing with the ALS Protocol Reciprocity policy, which will be edited to support a policy for responding to out of county incidents. (Kirkbride/Moon) move to approve rescinding policy #12, dated August 1984, responding to out of county incidents. This carried unanimously.

- B. 2017 Fiscal Year Review – Joy Miller presented the 2017 budget vs. actual report.
- C. Hospital Capacity – There have been recent events where both hospitals in Thurston County go to divert status, which has raised concern about bed capacity and the expected population growth by 2030. There is discussion about having a hospital capacity task force. At this time both hospitals must communicate with each other, and divert cannot last longer than 8 hours.
- D. BLS Contracts – Medic One is developing BLS contracts to help define expectations for BLS and to help prevent cost over-runs, etc.
- E. Opticom - The discussion of private ambulances using Opticom traffic control devices has been referred to TRPC. Kurt Hardin will be at the TRPC meeting on April 5<sup>th</sup>.

**VIII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None**

**IX. GOOD OF THE ORDER – None**

**X. ADJOURNMENT – Meeting adjourned at 4:21 PM.**