

**Thurston County Medic One
Emergency Medical Services Council – Regular Meeting
Medic One Office
June 19, 2019**

PRESENT: Margaret McPhee, Brian VanCamp, Cindy Hambly, Frank Kirkbride, John Ricks, Tom Oliva, Stan Moon, Harry Miller, Mike Buchanan, Gary Edwards, Paul Perz, Sheila Fay, JW Foster, Lenny Greenstein

ABSENT: Larry Fontanilla

EXCUSED:

GUESTS: Steve Brooks, Chris Clem, Shawn Crimmins

STAFF: Kurt Hardin, Joy Miller, Sandra Bush, Anna Lee Drewry, Ben Miller-Todd

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

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – MSC – McPhee added New Business, Item D: Stryker Maintenance Contract. (Greenstein/Oliva) move to approve the agenda as amended, and this carried.

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

III. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. EMS COUNCIL – May 15, 2019 (Kirkbride/Hambly) move to approve and this carried.

B. OPERATIONS COMMITTEE – June 6, 2019 (informational only)

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. **OPERATIONS COMMITTEE:** VanCamp reported: 1) MCI training is a part of OTEP and this year it includes active shooter regional exercises. 2) TAC has decided to continue with 24/7 through this year. 3) TRU committee merged with the hospital diversion committee. PSPH CoN was approved. 4) July 4th Ops meeting has been cancelled. 5) Medic One currently helps fund the EMT/Fire Fighter Recruit Academy graduation, however staff has been asked if Medic One can contribute more due to the increased cost. 6) Committee will look at another way of ensuring funding for SORT. 7) Chief Peterson, FD6, is out of ICU and making progress. Chief Nelson is the interim Chief.

B. **WEST REGION:** Hardin/Kirkbride reported: 1) Committee has been having hospital diversion and PSPH CoN discussions. 2) During the last legislative session, the legislature passed a law that requires all agencies to comply with WEMIS (Washington EMS Information Systems) reporting requirements to State DOH. WAC rule making is required to implement the legislation. 3) WREMS has an injury prevention grant program available, up to \$3,000. 4) Pierce County started up an urgent care response in central Pierce, first in the nation. They are contracted with Dispatch Health out of Denver. This is a private company that will provide community medicine.

C. **STAFF REPORT:** Staff report is included in the packet. In addition, the MPD sent a letter to EMTs notifying them of a new email address that can be used to contact Dr. Fontanilla. The email address is tcdoctalk@gmail.com. Dr. Fontanilla will be checking this email at least monthly and he welcomes questions, dialogues, etc. Also, Thurston County made a policy decision to tie burn bans to the DNR ban which will help synchronize public messaging. The County Manager will make a decision by June 27th on whether to implement a fireworks discharge ban in unincorporated Thurston County.

D. **COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:** Kirkbride reported: Plan is approx., 85% complete. The goal was to have this complete by September but with summer vacations, attendance at the meetings will be low. Chief Wright has been appointed as a citizen to the committee and Chief Buchanan will replace Chief Wright as the Olympia FD representative.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Amend MPD Contract Amendment Motion from May meeting – The motion made at the May meeting was to extend the contract through December 31, 2019, and it should have been through December 31, 2020. (Moon/Greenstein) move to approve amending the motion made at the May meeting, with an effective date of

2020, and this carried.

- B. Medic One Educational Campaign Outreach – Kirkbride suggests sending out information to the public routinely (i.e. quarterly newsletter). Hambly suggests creating a mailer to send out to citizens, talking about the new website; provide an overview of the system; how the money is disbursed and how Medic One has been good stewards of the money; and testimonials from the citizens. Perz suggests using as many different types of media as possible.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Medic One Fund Balance – Hardin provided a new Medic One Ending Fund Balance Report, showing the estimated fund balance through 2023, while maintaining 2 months of operating expense balance at \$1.1 mil per month. This has changed slightly from the report he showed in August of 2018. Expenses are now expected to be slightly higher in 2022 and 2023.
- B. Levy Restoration, or 6 year levy? – Staff will put together information on what comprises each type of restoration and present at the August or September EMSC meeting.
- C. WREMS Application (Malloree Fontanilla, Paul Perz) – (Ricks/Edwards) move to approve the WREMS applications for Malloree Fontanilla (hospital representation), and Paul Perz (EMSC representation), and this carried with Perz abstaining.
- D. Stryker Maintenance Contract – The past budget has been \$100,000 over a course of 5 years (\$20,000 per year). The new PM contract quote did not include parts which is a difference of roughly \$100,000, and due to the complexity of the new gurneys, we need a contract that includes parts. This brings the new PM contract to \$177,000, with tax, over a course of 5 years (approx., \$36,000 per year). There is budget authority in 2019, however we would need to request a budget amendment for 2020. Staff is asking the EMSC for their recommendation to the BoCC for approval of the new PM contract. (Hambly/Moon) move to approve suspending the council voting rule that requires discussion one month prior to making a recommendation on an item that affects budget, and this carried. (Hambly/Ricks) move to approve recommending approval from the BoCC for the PM contract and this carried.

VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

VIII. GOOD OF THE ORDER – 1) Ops July 4th meeting has been cancelled. 2) State Auditor came to the County and Medic One was selected as one of the departments review. The exit interview with the Auditor is next week, however staff was informed that there were no findings with Medic One. 3) Foster said the I5 resurfacing project will continue this weekend at Nisqually.

IX. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 4:57.