

**Thurston County Medic One
Emergency Medical Services Council – Regular Meeting
Medic One Office
November 20, 2019**

PRESENT: Margaret McPhee, Brian VanCamp, Cindy Hambly, Frank Kirkbride, John Ricks, Tom Oliva, Stan Moon, Steve Slater, Mark John, Sheila Fay,

ABSENT: Larry Fontanilla, Paul Perz, Lenny Greenstein

EXCUSED: Cody Colt, Gary Edwards

GUESTS: Chris Clem, Tony Kuzma, Steve Brooks, Scott LaVielle, Shawn Crimmins

STAFF: Kurt Hardin, Alan Provencher, Ben Miller-Todd, Joy Miller

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 – The following changes were made to the agenda: 1) Comprehensive Plan report was moved from Committee Reports and New Business, Item C, to Old Business, Item B. 2) MPD Contract was added to Old Business, Item C. 3) Sheriff's Office AED Information was moved from New Business, Item D, to Old Business, Item D. 4) Tumwater Fire Study was added to New Business, Item B. 5) Medical Records Release Fee was moved from New Business, Item E, to New Business, Item C. (Moon/Oliva) move to approve the agenda as amended, and this carried.

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – Margaret McPhee asked for an introduction from the council to OFD Chief Mark John.

III. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. EMS COUNCIL – October 16, 2019 (Kirkbride/Fay) move to approve, and this carried.
- B. OPERATIONS COMMITTEE – November 7, 2019 (informational only)

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. **OPERATIONS COMMITTEE:** VanCamp reported: 1) There was discussion about adjustments to the ambulance fees for 2020. 2) Approval was made for creation of a QI Subcommittee. 3) Ben Miller-Todd is working on a pilot program for initially launching air lift on trauma victims for immediate access to blood products. 4) Dr. Fell had a boating incident and he was very impressed with the EMS response and care he received.
- B. **WEST REGION:** No report.
- C. **STAFF REPORT:** Staff report is included in the packet. Kurt said when the LPI5 cardiac monitors were ordered it was anticipated for them to arrive in December, however they arrived this past Monday. In addition, as of November 13th, a total of 5,751 citizens have been trained in hands only CPR, which surpasses the number of citizens trained in 2018.
- D. **COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:** See Old Business, Item B.

V. OLD BUSINESS

- A. ALS Contract Negotiations Committee – Staff Support – Kurt said Ben will be the lead for staff on negotiations, and Kurt will be a part of that as well. Other staff will be brought in as necessary.
- B. Comprehensive Plan – Frank Kirkbride presented: The Comprehensive Plan will be updated as needed every five years, always maintaining a twenty-year planning horizon. Frank handed out an Action Plan Guide, which is a companion document to the Comprehensive Plan, and will assist in identifying the roles in the Comprehensive Plan. Cindy Hambly mentioned concern about the Medic One mission statement not reflecting some of the things outlined in the comprehensive plan, i.e. anything that is community medical assessment based. At what point will there be a discussion on changing the Medic One mission statement? Kirkbride explained that the comprehensive plan is a plan designed for all providers of the County, not solely for Medic One. Cindy also expressed concern about areas in the comprehensive plan that she, as a citizen of the county, disagrees with. Cindy believes at some point there needs to be an open discussion about these things. What is the process for input from the council? Kirkbride explained that the comprehensive plan was initiated by the EMS Council to create a vision for the 20 years, for Thurston County. The intent is to take it to each of the decision-making bodies, i.e. board of fire

commissioners and city councils for each fire agency, for them to adopt as well.

The draft plan will be emailed out again to EMSC members for review, and members will be asked to provide comments to Medic One by December 6th. Comments will be reviewed by the Comprehensive Planning Committee and then reviewed by the EMSC. There will be further discussion at the January 2020 meeting.

- C. MPD Contract – In June 2019 the EMSC approved an extension with Olympia Emergency Services (OES) for the MPD contract, however in September OES came back to Medic One with recommendations for a new contract. There is discussion going on with the Prosecuting Attorney's office, regarding an extension of the current contract while recommendations by OES are being reviewed. The EMSC will most likely see a new contract at the January EMSC meeting.
- D. Sheriff's Office Public Access Defibrillators (PAD) - The PAD's have been ordered and received, for the sheriff's use. Initial training will take place in early 2020, and annual training will take place thereafter.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. 2019 3rd Qtr. Budget Review – Joy Miller presented the 2019 3rd Qtr. budget review. The overall budget is 60% expended (Admin 69%; ALS 65%; BLS 67%, and ER&R 4%).
- B. Tumwater Fire Study – Stan Moon presented: Tumwater hired a consultant to take a regionalization fire study looking at 6 agencies that might have the possibility of coming together. Agencies include Tumwater, Olympia, Lacey FD3, East Olympia FD6, WTRFA, and McLane Black Lake. The final recommendation in the report is that an RFA (Regional Fire Authority) be formed that would include Tumwater, Olympia, FD3 and FD6. Tom Oliva explained the next steps to be taken. There will be a meeting between all elected officials representing these agencies to see if they want to move forward with this. Medic One will have a representative there as well.
- C. Medical Records Release Fee – Staff would like to discontinue charging legal firms for medical records requests. The fee is \$5.00, and staff receives maybe 10 per year from attorney's offices. This was discussed with the PAO and their recommendation was to reconsider charging since the BoCC had not adopted a medical records fee for Medic One to be able to charge. (Fay/Hambly) move to approve discontinuing a \$5.00 fee to attorney's offices for medical records, and this carried. Ricks & Slater voted no.

VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

VIII. GOOD OF THE ORDER – 1) Hardin said in March staff will present to the EMSC information on the Medic One fund balance for discussion on the Medic One levy. 2) December EMSC meeting will be cancelled, and the next meeting will be in January.

IX. ADJOURNMENT – Meeting was adjourned at 5:04 pm.