

**THURSTON COUNTY MEDIC ONE  
OPERATIONS COMMITTEE ~ MEETING MINUTES  
MEDIC ONE OFFICE  
August 1, 2019**

**PRESENT:** Chris Clem, Larry Fontanilla, Kathy Pace, Scott LaVielle, Mark Gregory, Brian VanCamp, Greg Wright, Stewart Mason, Dave Pearsall, Keith Flewelling, Steve Brooks, Malloree Fontanilla, Alex Christiansen

**ABSENT:**

**EXCUSED:** John Wood

**GUESTS:** Mike Buchanan, Tony Kuzma, Karrie Austin (Dispatch Health)

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

**I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL** – Chair VanCamp called the meeting to order at 2:00. Staff recorded roll.

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA –MSC** – (LaVielle/Clem) move to approve and this carried.

**III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** – None

**IV. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Operations Committee – June 6, 2019 – **MSC** (LaVielle/Brooks) move to approve and this carried.
2. EMS Council – June 19, 2019 & July 17, 2019 (informational only)

**V. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. WEST REGION – 1) At the last meeting Injury & Violence Prevention (IVP) grant applications were reviewed. 2) Council is planning the 2020 conference. 3) Chris Clem is now on WREMS' executive committee.
- B. SUBCOMMITTEES
  1. Equipment Committee (EqC) – No report
  2. Mass Casualty Incident (MCI) Committee – LaVielle reported: There were three drills, June 27<sup>th</sup> in Lacey, and July 15<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> in Tumwater. The scenario was active shooter but some of the newer MCI policies and procedures were tested. Results of the training indicated the need for some updates to the MCI plan. A few of the items that came out of the drills: making sure the group medical supervisor had a way to keep track of their people under them; is a treatment aid needed; is a triage aid always needed; and are the transport logs effective. Something that worked really well in the drill was unified command with law enforcement. The next meeting is in September.
  3. Training Advisory Committee (TAC) – Drewry reported: TAC will meet on August 15<sup>th</sup>. Committee is working on the framework for 2020 OTEP and the subjects are: death and dying; behavioral health; smart airway; and MCI back to the basics. Also, there will be a presentation at the September Ops meeting on OTEP evaluations.
  4. Transportation Resource Utilization Committee (TRU) – Brooks reported: TRU has been meeting jointly with the diversion group. The round robin has been effective, and the committee will continue to meet every other month.
  5. Staff Report – Staff report is included in the packet. Hardin highlighted on the following items: The decision on the LPI2 replacement is in legal review; EMT course applications are due back August 12<sup>th</sup>; TAC will be on the September Ops agenda for a presentation on OTEP 2020; and Thurston County has a contract for 1700 hours of TV time with TCTV, which has been underutilized so Medic One has been taking advantage of this available time.

**VI. OLD BUSINESS**

- A. EMS Council Action Report – VanCamp reported: 1) WREMS has been having discussions on hospital diversion. 2) There was discussion about some of the new laws passed with the last legislative session, including WEMESIS. 3) WREMS has an injury prevention grant. 4) Pierce County urgent care response system

was discussed, which is on today's agenda. 5) Paul Perz and Mallore Fontanilla's WREMS applications were approved. 6) Frank Kirkbride provided a report on the EMS comprehensive plan. 7) EMSC recommended the MPD contract renewal to the BoCC. 8) Discussion on Medic One educational campaign.

## **VII. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Sort Application – It was suggested that SORT does not apply for funds every year, as is done with Special Projects. Medic One staff can monitor the SORT process and report out to Ops on proposed equipment purchases. (Brooks/Flewelling) move to approve recommending to the EMSC to remove SORT from the Special Project application process and allow it to be direct supported with appropriate documentation, and this carried.
- B. DispatchHealth – Karrie Austin with DispatchHealth presented information on how DispatchHealth works, and how their service may benefit Thurston County with diversion and transportation issues. DispatchHealth is a mobile urgent care service that travels to patient's homes (i.e. house, skilled nursing facility, assistant living, etc.). DispatchHealth travels with a team of two, a Nurse Practitioner or Physician Assistant, and an EMT. If a patient they respond to is in need of a more advanced level of care than they are capable of providing, they will call 9-1-1, similar to an Urgent Care facility. DispatchHealth does not provide transport services.

**VIII. GOOD OF THE ORDER** – 1) There is a retirement party planned for Chief Greg Wright, on August 29<sup>th</sup> at noon at the OFD Headquarters. Chief Wright expressed his appreciation for EMS personnel and Medic One staff. 2) Chief LaVielle thanked Dr. Fontanilla for attending the MCI drills. 3) Chief Brooks said Chief Peterson is doing very well, however he still has quite a bit of recovery ahead of him. 4) Thurston County Fair runs through Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup>. Medic One has a booth and will be demonstrating the new CPR manikins. 5) Medic One's 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary is Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup>.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT** – 2:48 PM