

THURSTON COUNTY MEDIC ONE
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL
HYBRID MEETING

AGENDA - REVISED
February 15, 2023, 3:30 PM

- I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL
 - II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
 - III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
 - IV. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - A. EMS Council January 18, 2023
 - B. Ops Committee February 2, 2023 (informational only)
 - V. COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - A. Operations Committee – Ops Chair or Representative
 - B. West Region EMS Council – WREMS Representative
 - C. Staff Report – <https://www.thurstoncountywa.gov/m1/Pages/meetings.aspx>
 - VI. OLD BUSINESS
- | | ITEM | PRESENTER | EXPECTED OUTCOME |
|----|---------------------------|-------------|---------------------|
| A. | Nominations Committee | Fay | Report/Nomination |
| B. | Letters to State Agencies | Miller-Todd | Discussion/Approval |
- VII. NEW BUSINESS
- | | ITEM | PRESENTER | EXPECTED OUTCOME |
|----|--|--------------------|------------------|
| A. | Medic One Fund and Future Revenue Projections | Hardin/Miller-Todd | Informational |
| B. | EMSC Proposed Bylaw Change | Hardin/Miller-Todd | Recommendation |
| C. | EMSC At Large Application – Current Position 2 | Greenstein | Approval |
- VIII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
 - IX. GOOD OF THE ORDER
 - X. ADJOURNMENT

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February 15, 2023, 3:30 pm

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**Thurston County Medic One
Emergency Medical Services Council – Regular Meeting
Hybrid – 3000 Pacific Ave SE, Olympia (Atrium Building)
January 18, 2023**

PRESENT: Cindy Hambly, Stan Moon, John Ricks, Brian VanCamp, Angela Jefferson, Harry Miller, Frank Kirkbride, Margaret McPhee, Lenny Greenstein, Gary Edwards, Sheila Fay, Dontae Payne, Wayne Fournier

ABSENT:

EXCUSED: Larry Fontanilla

GUESTS: Dan Bivens, Shawn Crimmins, Steve Brooks, Greg Perry, Derek Smith

STAFF: Kurt Hardin, Sandra Bush, Ben Miller-Todd, Chris Clem, Joy Miller, Jerett Latimer, Daphne Reaves

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL – Stan Moon called the meeting of the Emergency Medical Services Council (EMSC) to order at 3:30 PM. Chair Moon announced Kurt Hardin's retirement, effective March 31, 2023. There will be a celebration at the March EMSC meeting, as well as a celebration in March at Emergency Management. Sandra Bush will send out a notice about this.

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – MSC – (McPhee/Edwards) move to approve the agenda and this carried.

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None.

III. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. EMS COUNCIL – November 16, 2022 – (Kirkbride/Ricks) move to approve the minutes, and this carried.
- B. OPERATIONS COMMITTEE – January 5, 2023 (informational only)

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. **OPERATIONS COMMITTEE:** VanCamp reported: 1) The Training Advisory Committee (TAC) provided a report and there will be a robust number of evaluators coming into the training arena (approx., 70 new and existing evaluators). 2) Transport Resource Utilization (TRU) provided a report on the lack of hospital representative attendance. 3) Chief Smith with LFD3 provided a report on the transport pilot update. The Transport Pilot committee has asked the Fire Chief's Association to extend the study for 6 months to help address some of the changing parameters that have happened during the previous 3-month study. 4) Ben provided a stroke protocol update that was issued by Dr. Fontanilla concerning treatment of stroke patients because of a change at PSPH where certain procedures are no longer available due to some staffing issues. 5) Ben also provided information on reactivation of the PSPH EMT entryway process, where patients can be boarded and relieved from transport units.
- B. **WEST REGION EMS COUNCIL:** Kirkbride reported for the December 7th meeting: 1) There was an update on the strategic plan for WREMS and it's coming along well. The draft update to this is due to DOH by February 1st. 2) A variety of grants were discussed, the patient care system, and the hospital divert plan. 3) Next meeting is March 1st. Ben Miller-Todd added: The min/max configuration was approved this morning at the DOH steering committee.
- C. **STAFF REPORT:** Staff report is available on the website. [Thurston County | Medic One | Committee Meeting Information \(thurstoncountywa.gov\)](https://www.thurstoncountywa.gov/committees/medic-one). Miller Todd highlighted on the following: The council will be notified of any paramedic testing that is coming up, as well as EMT trainings that are going forward, as well as evaluator trainings. The last evaluator workshop was very well run.

V. OLD BUSINESS

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Healthcare Constraints Overview – Miller-Todd provided a presentation on healthcare restraints, among all sectors, which created a very lengthy discussion with the council. Following are some highlights of information provided: 1) There was a 10.1% growth in population between 2015 and 2020 with an expected increase of 6-7% every 5 years, based on TRPC data. 2) The EMS call volume increased 52.0%

between 2013 and 2022. The increase in call volumes increases turn around times at the hospital. Medic One is once again staffing the ambulance entryway at PSPH with 2 EMTs to help relieve transport units, and this is expected to continue through February. Rural communities with 2 response units are hit exceptionally hard by extended hospital wait times because 1 unit waiting at the hospital drops their available response units by 50%. 3) Increasing community infrastructure is needed, there is a decrease in available workforce, and an increase in complexity of patients (people are living longer so there are more comorbidities seen). 4) Thurston County has 20-30 long term care facilities and adult family homes that are on “outbreak status” for COVID-19, on average. This limits the ability for a hospital to discharge patients from their beds to make room for the needs of the community. 5) Miller-Todd also provided initiatives that are helping to address the healthcare constraints: As mentioned above - staffing of EMTs at PSPH entryway; Providence South Puget Sound is working on infrastructure growth and staffing issues; MultiCare is building an outpatient emergency room in Lacey with the anticipated opening date of Summer 2023; Operations Chief’s transport pilot program; MPDs review of alternative destinations; Considerations of alternative methods of medical delivery. 6) Chief Brooks provided information on some legislative updates relating to hospital staffing standards.

- B. ALS MSO Deliverables – Miller-Todd asked the council for their approval of replacing the current ALS MSO deliverables. (Hambly/Edwards) move to approve the deliverables that have already been accepted by ALS Chiefs and MSOs, and this carried.
- C. Budget Committee – Chair Moon appointed Frank Kirkbride, John Ricks, Margaret McPhee, Lenny Greenstein, and himself to the budget committee.
- D. Nominations Committee - Chair moon appointed Sheila Fay, Harry Miller and Cindy Hambly to the nominations committee, and Sheila Fay will chair.
- E. BLS Funding Review Committee – Chair Moon appointed Frank Kirkbride, John Ricks, Cindy Hambly, and himself to this committee. Chair Moon purposely appointed some of the budget committee members to this committee as the 2024-2025 budget will run parallel to the BLS funding review. The Ops committee Chair will appoint 4 members from the Ops committee to sit on this review. Chair Moon would like to have this wrapped up by the end of April, so the budget committee has numbers to work with.

VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

VIII. GOOD OF THE ORDER – Edwards asked how the parking was and if people attending virtually could hear fine. There were some comments about the hearing being spotty.

IX. ADJOURNMENT – Meeting adjourned at 4:57.

THURSTON COUNTY MEDIC ONE
OPERATIONS COMMITTEE ~ MEETING MINUTES
HYBRID - ESC
February 2, 2023

PRESENT: Steve Brooks, Derek Smith, Mark Gregory, Brian VanCamp, Wendy Rife, Ciaran Keogh, Todd Carson, Brian Hurley, Mindy Churchwell, Wendy Hill

ABSENT: Ray Curtis, Leonard Johnson

EXCUSED: Larry Fontanilla, Carla Carter

GUESTS: Tony Kuzma, Mike Buchanan, Shawn Crimmins, Michael Hughes, Rian Winter, Karen Weiss, Jennifer Schmidt, Joey Rodrigues

STAFF: Sandra Bush, Ben Miller-Todd, Chris Clem, Kurt Hardin, Daphne Reaves, Alan Provencher

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

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – MSC – Approved.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

IV. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Operations Committee – January 5, 2023 – (Hurley/Brooks) move to approve and this carried.
2. EMS Council – January 18, 2023 (Informational only)

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. **West Region EMS Council** – Clem reported: The WREMS committee has not met since the last Ops committee meeting. The executive board met on Monday, and they continue to work on updating the strategic plan for the next 2 year cycle.
- B. **Subcommittees**
1. Equipment Committee (EqC) – Rian Winter reported: 1) Drug shortages on D50, some forms of saline, lido preloads, berman airway sets, ketamine and atropine. 2) Medic One still has a strong stock of PPE. 3) Still moving forward with the Handtevy app for the ALS units. 4) Looking at video laryngoscopy options, which will be handed off to Dr. Skinner. 5) End dates for older products were discussed and some that were obsolete. It was agreed that nothing in particular would be removed from the medic units. 6) Effective in March the committee will be moving from Thursday to Monday meetings, every other month. Next meeting is scheduled for March 20th at 0930.
 2. Mass Casualty Incident (MCI) Committee – No meeting, no report.
 3. Training Advisory Committee (TAC) – Clem reported: At the last meeting there was discussion on the structure of the TAC committee. Going forward, every 3 months the committee will meet for a condensed workgroup, in person for 3 hours, to work on content creation for the following years OTEP. The in between months will be a much shorter hybrid meeting to discuss other training topics and to review the results of the workgroup meetings.
 4. Transportation Resource Utilization Committee (TRU) / Hospital Diversion – No report.
 5. ePCR Committee – No report.
- C. **Staff Report** – Staff report is located on the website at – <https://www.thurstoncountywa.gov/m1/Pages/meetings.aspx>

VI. OLD BUSINESS

- A. EMSC Report – VanCamp reported on the January 18th meeting: 1) Miller-Todd provided a presentation on healthcare restraints and this will be presented to Ops at the March meeting. 2) ALS MSO deliverables were approved. 3) The following committees were appointed; Budget, Nominations, and BLS Funding work group. A draft charter has been created for the BLS Funding Workgroup which will direct how the BLS direct support funds are disbursed among the agencies.
- B. Nominations Committee – Hurley reported: Nominations were received to reappoint VanCamp for Chair and Gregory for Vice-Chair. Hurley asked the floor for additional nominations, and none were received. (Brooks/Carson) move to close the nominations and accept the acclamations, and this carried.
- C. ALS Unit Utilization Workgroup – VanCamp reported: There has been one meeting and the next one is scheduled for next week. Staff has been busy gathering data which is being analyzed by the workgroup.

- D. Medic One Staffing – Miller-Todd reported: The ALS Program Manager position should be posted later today, or tomorrow. Emergency Services also has an opening for an Emergency Management Manager.
- E. EMT Entryway at PSPH – Clem reported: Medic One has been consistently staffing the Emergency Room entry way at PSPH, and this will continue through February. Through January 20th there was quite a bit of utilization of it, and the last couple of weeks have slowed down. If the utilization increases again and stays consistently high, there is discussion about off-loading this to St. Peters so they would begin funding it.
- F. ePCR Policy – Miller-Todd reported: A listening session was held and components from the session is being taken into consideration.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. BLS Funding Review Committee – see EMSC report. The committee will consist of Stan Moon, Chair of EMSC, Brian VanCamp, Frank Kirkbride, John Ricks, Cindy Hambly, Chief Hurley, Chief Rux, and Chief Gregory. A meeting is being scheduled for later this month.
- B. Olympic Ambulance Home-Based Healthcare Services – Joe Rodrigues with Olympia Ambulance provided the following information: Olympic Ambulance has partnered with Kaiser as well as a third party medical at home vendor. A pilot was started statewide in October 2022. Post pilot, during the 1st month of operating this in Thurston County there was a patient census of 5. The service is non-EMS related work and falls within the in-patient realm of work. Sedans are staffed with nurses that have acute care and ICU experience. These nurses have a variety of equipment from an expanded drug formulary as well as antibiotics. Patients being seen are patients discharged from a med/surg unit, into their homes, to finish off their stay. There is a rapid response within 4 hours if needed, however if the patient is experiencing chest pain, shortness of breath, or anything life threatening, the case is escalated to a 911 call.

VIII. GOOD OF THE ORDER – Hardin announced Ben Miller-Todd's acceptance of the Director of Emergency Services position however Kurt is still Director. Please make sure correspondence to Ben is copied to Kurt, and correspondence to Kurt is copied to Ben. Sandra Bush announced a retirement celebration in honor of Kurt which will be held at Emergency Management on Tilley Road, March 3rd from 2 – 4. There will also be an acknowledgement of Kurt's retirement at the March EMSC meeting.

IX. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 2:39.



**Board of County Commissioners
Citizen Advisory Boards and Commissions**

Application

Name: Tom Carroll

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Preferred Phone Number: (360) 701-1532 Email: tomc.tiburon@gmail.com

Occupation: Info Technology Consultant

Advisory Board and Commission applying for: Medic One EMS Council

Available hours per month: 16

Briefly describe why you would like to serve.

I am looking to serve on a local board that deals with community health and safety. I enjoyed my time with LFD3 and became intrigued by the EMS challenges and opportunities facing the department. I see EMS as a vital public safety function.

List your community involvement and dates.

Trustee and Chair, Leadership Thurston County, 2014-2022; Member and Chair, Lacey Fire District 3 Citizen Advisory Committee, 2013-20; Lacey Fire Levy Lift Committee, 2014; Governor, Rotary District 5020, 2017-18; President, Gateway Rotary.

Describe your qualifications and skills that would be of benefit.

Retired after 30 years service as a Captain, US Navy. I own a firm that manages the state's education network. I have decades of experience working with others to solve complex problems. I enjoy working in teams to find innovative and workable solutions.

List your educational background and area of study.

1981 University of Washington, Bachelor of Arts, Political Science, Foreign Affairs
2008 University of Phoenix, Masters of Information Systems
2003 Project Management Institute Project Management Professional (PMP)

Signature: Thomas Carroll Digitally signed by Thomas Carroll
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Return completed form to Jamie Caldwell, Clerk of the Board.

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