

THURSTON COUNTY MEDIC ONE
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL
HYBRID MEETING

AGENDA - REVISED
October 19, 2022, 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 September 21, 2022
 - B. Ops Committee October 6, 2022 (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. | Ambulance Updates | Miller-Todd | Update |
| B. | MPD Contract Update | Miller-Todd | Update |
- VII. NEW BUSINESS
- | | ITEM | PRESENTER | EXPECTED OUTCOME |
|----|----------------------------------|-------------|------------------|
| A. | Surplus Medic Units Distribution | Miller-Todd | Approve |
| B. | Hardin WREMS Application | Moon | Approve |
| C. | Kirkbride WREMS Application | Moon | Approve |
- VIII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
 - IX. GOOD OF THE ORDER
 - X. ADJOURNMENT

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smartphone**

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**Thurston County Medic One
Emergency Medical Services Council – Regular Meeting
Virtual
September 21, 2022**

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

ABSENT:

EXCUSED: Larry Fontanilla, Sheila Fay, Lenny Greenstein

GUESTS: Dan Bivens, Shawn Crimmins, Brian Hurley, Chris Clem, Tony Kuzma,

STAFF: Ben Miller-Todd, Daphne Reaves, Sandra Bush, Scott Brownell, Jerett Latimer

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

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – MSC – Moved New Business, Item A. Surplus Medic Units, to the October meeting agenda. (Fournier/Ricks) move to approve the agenda as amended, and this carried.

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None.

III. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. EMS COUNCIL – July 20, 2022 – (Kirkbride/Ricks) approve of the minutes, and this carried.
- B. OPERATIONS COMMITTEE – September 1, 2022 (informational only)

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. **OPERATIONS COMMITTEE:** VanCamp reported: 1) Transport Utilization Committee (TRU) provided a report on monitoring the 90-day trial for modifications of dispatching private BLS ambulances. 2) Ops approved surplus vehicle applications. 3) Ops performed their semi-annual review of the ambulance ordinance and there were no recommended changes. 4) Ops will follow EMS council's decision on resuming hybrid meetings.
- B. **WEST REGION:** Kirkbride reported: There was a well-attended meeting on September 7th. 1) WREMS continues to do business outside of rules of parliamentary procedure, and there is never a 'yes' vote taken, only 'no' votes, so the actions that were taken were approved but there is no record of such a thing. 2) There were a series of committee reports that deal with planning and implementation of the goals of the west region by the Director, Greg Perry, and a report of funds on hand which are appropriate at this point in the budget. 3) There was a report on the hospital diversion program. There have been a variety of meetings held with no negative issues. The hospitals in Thurston County are trying, but they are still struggling. Next month there will be a report on the transport trial that is underway right now. 4) Lewis County Fire District #1, in Onalaska, is currently 1 of 4 fire districts on the east side of I-5, from Onalaska to Toledo, that has a Medic One levy providing ALS services to their citizens. Sounds like this has failed and at the end of this year they will be ceasing to provide ALS responses within those 4 districts. District #1 came to west region, after going thru Lewis County EMS council, and asked for an upgrade for BLS transport to ALS transport. This concept appeared to be supported by west region.
- C. **STAFF REPORT:** Staff report is available on the website. [Thurston County | Medic One | Committee Meeting Information \(thurstoncountywa.gov\)](https://thurstoncountywa.gov/committees/medic-one). Miller-Todd highlighted on the following: 1) Onboarding 7 medics between August and September. 2) EMT initial training started September 6th. There are currently 18 students. 3) There was a typo in the staff report online, in the I.T. section. The migrating of cellular access contracts and fees is 100% complete, not 90%.

V. OLD BUSINESS

- A. 2023 – 2025 ALS Contract – Miller-Todd provided an ALS contract negotiation overview. 1) The 2023-2025 contract will include an increase from 9 medics per unit to 9.5 medics per unit. This will reduce mandatory overtime, paramedic burnout, and staffing shortages. This will also address the needs of an aging workforce and a career that is physically demanding. 2) There is added clarification to self-insurance vs.

L&I disability which will provide an anticipated savings of \$100,000 per year. There is added clarification to utilization of sick leave and how it's being billed. This has an anticipated savings of \$50,000 per year. 3) Increase funding by an aggregate of \$90,000 for paramedic training. 4) Contract length will increase to 3 years with an option for two additional 1-year terms.

The total cost savings for the 2023-2025 contract is expected to be \$175,000 and the total cost increase is expected to be \$770,000, which is an overall net increase of \$595,000. (McPhee/Hambly) move to approve the contract and send it to the BoCC for their approval, and this carried with Edwards abstaining.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Surplus Resolution – This resolution allows the EMS council to surplus items Medic One is looking to surplus out to a variety of fire agencies and other government entities throughout Washington State, in alignment with both RCW and WAC, in a hierarchal order. This allows the EMS Council to surplus items first to Thurston County fire agencies, then second to any fire agencies within the west region, and third to any government entity within Washington State. (Kirkbride/Ricks) move to recommend to the BoCC the adoption of a resolution that deals with surplus materials under the authority of the Thurston County EMS council, and this carried, with Edwards abstaining.
- B. Surplus Medic One Administrative Vehicle (Scott's old vehicle) – Medic One has an 18-year-old SUV that has been available and offered to Thurston County fire agencies multiple times since late 2018, early 2019. No Thurston County agency has wanted this vehicle. Grays Harbor Fire District 5 has approached Medic One about this vehicle, and if we choose to surplus this item, their board of Fire Commissioners has decided that they would like to accept it from us. Grays Harbor Fire District 5 is in the west region which is in alignment with the surplus resolution we are recommending to the BoCC. Staff is asking the council for a contingent motion based on the approval of the surplus resolution. (Fournier/McPhee) move to approve surplus of this vehicle, contingent upon the surplus resolution passing with the BoCC, and this carried.
- C. 2022 2nd Qtr. Budget vs. Actual – Miller-Todd presented the 2022 2nd quarter budget vs. actuals. Thru June 2022 the Administrative budget is 29% expended, ALS is 37% expended, BLS is 45% expended, I.T. is 40% expended and ER&R is 0% expended, for a total expended budget of 37%. Under BLS, there are a couple of items that required us to re-code. One of the items ended up in a code that does not have any budget in it, however it's only \$171.00. Communications is 160% expended due to miscoding, however we are moving budget into that line. ER&R is 0% expended pending the purchase of an admin SUV.
- D. MPD Contract Amendment – Medic One is asking to expand the MPD contract, allowing for an MPD delegate. The MPD is contracted for 42 hours per month and is a very short period of time to cover several initiatives. There has been a rapidly growing quality assurance obligation of the MPD as the system has grown. The EMS call volume has increased 25% since the original 2015 MPD contract was signed. Given the list of responsibilities the MPD is responsible for, we really do require an MPD delegate. An MPD delegate is allowed by RCW and WAC to assist an MPD with their tasks. We are asking for an additional (3) 8 hours per month that are scheduled and an additional 12-18 hours per month of variable coverage. The biggest strain right now is the growing need for investigations from a quality assurance standpoint. Quality assurance is when we are looking into any complaints that are brought to us from medical facilities or other facilities throughout the area, community members, or internal concerns between agencies.

Additionally, we have Medic One staffing issues. Medic One is currently staffed at 63.2%, with 4 open positions, in addition to the Medic One Director filling in at Public Health. All the pieces within the staffing issue creates a very minimal bandwidth for staff to help the MPD with his tasks.

The increased MPD contract value can be supported by the current biennial budget, authorized by the BoCC. The increase will be roughly \$100,000 per year. The 2024-2025 biennial budget will need to account for the increased MPD contract value during budget development next year. (Kirkbride/Ricks) move to suspend the rules to act on the MPD contract recommendation, and this carried. (Kirkbride/Hambly)

move to recommend to the BoCC an amendment to the MPD's current contract to add a delegate, and various hours and costs associated with it, and this carried with Edwards abstaining.

Chair Moon addressed the staffing issues for Medic One. Moon and Chief VanCamp met with Commissioner Edwards last Friday to discuss this concern with him. Moon heard back from the County Manager today with some times for Moon and VanCamp to meet with him.

VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

VIII. GOOD OF THE ORDER – Chair Moon said the council will go back to hybrid meetings beginning in October.

IX. ADJOURNMENT – Meeting adjourned at 4:27.

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**THURSTON COUNTY MEDIC ONE
OPERATIONS COMMITTEE ~ MEETING MINUTES
VIRTUAL
October 6, 2022**

PRESENT: Steve Brooks, Tony Kuzma, Mark Gregory, Larry Fontanilla, Corey Rux, Brian VanCamp, Jeff DeHan, Wendy Rife, Ciaran Keogh, Todd Carson, Brian Hurley

ABSENT: Garth Wade, Mindy Churchwell

EXCUSED: Wendy Hill

GUESTS: Mike Buchanan, Chris Clem, Shawn Crimmins, Jennifer Schmidt, Michael Hughes, James Osberg, Lisa Skinner

STAFF: Sandra Bush, Ben Miller-Todd, Scott Brownell, Jerett Latimer

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

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA –MSC – (Brooks/Hurley) move to approve the agenda as presented, and this carried.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

IV. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Operations Committee – September 1, 2022 – (Hurley/Brooks) move to approve and this carried.
2. EMS Council – September 21, 2022 (Informational only)

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. **West Region EMS Council** – Clem reported for the September 7th meeting: 1) The financial year has been closed out and they came out ahead by \$2,897.95 which will roll over to this years budget and will be used for training expenses and anything else that may be needed. 2) There was discussion on hospital divert. 3) A request came in from Lewis County Fire District #1 asking to upgrade their license to ALS verified because the Medic One system in Lewis County is in jeopardy. WREMS recommended approval of their upgrade request.
- B. **Subcommittees**
1. Equipment Committee (EqC) – Nothing new to report.
 2. Mass Casualty Incident (MCI) Committee – Crimmins reported: The committee met on September 29th and approved the C3pathways/Hostile event plan which will come to the Ops committee in November for their approval.
 3. Training Advisory Committee (TAC) – Clem reported: 1) At the last meeting there was continued discussion of procedures for folks looking to get certified in the county, everything from BLS initial to BLS reciprocity. These have developed over the years so we are looking at updating each procedure and where they could be combined or better organized. 2) Reminder about the BLS MPD in-services.
 4. Transportation Resource Utilization Committee (TRU) / Hospital Diversion – Brooks reported: The primary discussion at the last meeting was about the pilot ambulance dispatch project. Miller-Todd briefed the committee on the potential effects that some of the COVID19 rules variances that were allowed for the hospitals are set to expire with the repeal of the Governor's COVID19 mandate on the 31st of this month. Hospitals are working on how to deal with these impacts, but it is likely to present a delay in admitting patients in the emergency department and subsequent transport impacts. Miller-Todd also informed the committee that Falck Ambulance will be leaving Western Washington at the end of this year.
 5. ePCR Committee – No meeting to report on.
- C. **Staff Report** – Staff report is located on the website at – <https://www.thurstoncountywa.gov/m1/Pages/meetings.aspx>
Miller-Todd added: 1) Paramedic hiring process is October 12 – 13th. 2) EMT training is going smoothly. Chief Rux is heading this up. 3) BLS Program Manager interviews are scheduled for October 18th.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

- A. EMSC Report – VanCamp reported on the September 21st meeting: 1) Discussions of the 2023-2025 ALS contracts, which the BoCC has approved. VanCamp shared a few highlights of the new contracts. 2) The council voted to approve a recommendation to the BoCC of an equipment surplus resolution, for equipment that Medic One no longer has a use for. 3) Medic One staffing issues were discussed – see New Business, Item B. VanCamp jumped to this agenda item and informed the committee that he and Stan Moon met with Kurt and Ben regarding their concerns with

the shortage of staff at Medic One. They also met with Commissioner Edwards and the County Manager Chavez. 4) The MPD contract has been modified to include an MPD Delegate.

B. 30-Day status on the pilot ambulance dispatch project – Chief Schmidt reported: She just received reports back from Olympic Ambulance and AMR but she hasn't had a chance to put the numbers to data. However, the first 30 days there was a decline in both numbers being looked at, which is the 'no-loads' and 'drop-calls'. There is disparity in what different agencies have seen, depending on how often they use private ambulances, locations, etc., but generally, the Operations Chiefs have had positive reviews on how things are going so far. There is also the need to look at staffing models that have probably improved with both agencies and what role that plays as far as what the data comes back with. Operations Chiefs have committed to looking at the data at the end of October, which will be the full 90 days, and then make a recommendation to the Chiefs.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Min/Max Review – Miller-Todd reminded the committee that min-max is directed not at a licensure, but as a verified licensure. (Brooks/Fontanilla) move to approve changing BLS AIDV state approved minimum from 5 to 0, and this carried. Brooks also expressed concern about the licensure status of Southeast Thurston as AIDV rather than AMBV (an adjustment made through a legal action by the Washington Attorney General's Office) and that it should be consistent with the other AMBV licenses in the county; Miller-Todd was to look further into this matter.

B. Meeting with Commissioner Edwards & County Manager Chavez – See Old Business, Item A. EMSC Report.

C. MPD Contract – An amendment has been agreed upon with OES for an expansion of hours by adding an MPD Delegate, and this was approved by the BoCC. Dr. Lisa Skinner has accepted this position and was introduced to the committee.

D. MPD Directive – Patient Care Records Update – Miller-Todd reported that we are better defining dispositions that are available to all the providers in the field. The reason for this is to provide patient care records for all calls, which the current pcr/no pcr does not allow for. The disposition packet will be vetted before we move forward with changing the charting recommendations and the directive from the MPD. Training will be provided before the end of the year, and the goal is to start with a new expectation beginning the first of 2023. Once feedback is received from the Chiefs, information will be sent out to the providers.

E. ESO CAD Unit Identifiers Reminder – Brownell reported: We currently have an interface with CAD and ESO that allows us to pass information on for auto population of the chart. Part of this requires that ESO knows about every unit in CAD. One breakdown we have had is when a call sign is changed or a unit is added, we are not notified about it. When providers notify TCOMM about a change, please notify Medic One as well.

F. Health Data Exchange (HDE) Upcoming Training – Miller-Todd reported: Confirmation was received today that we will be able to accept within the next two weeks outcome information from MultiCare facilities within the County (i.e., CMC). CMC has gone to the HDE platform which allows bi-directional information from the field, into the hospital, and back out, and will allow us to see patient outcomes.

VIII. GOOD OF THE ORDER – Chief Rux said FD13 received their ambulance service verification for transport, from the State of Washington. They should be live in 8 – 12 weeks.

IX. ADJOURNMENT – Meeting adjourned at 2:58 pm.

**THURSTON COUNTY MEDIC ONE
SURPLUS VEHICLE DISPOSAL ASSIGNMENT MATRIX**

APPLICANT	DATE REQUEST RECEIVED	TOTAL POINTS	LAST VEHICLE REC'D	AGENCY TYPE	CALL VOLUME	ADD OR REPLACE?	COMMENTS
			< 5 yrs = 0	Transport			
			5 - 10 yrs = 1	Agency = 2	> 1000 = 2	Maintain svc = 2	
			> 10 yrs = 2 None = 3	EMS = 1 Other = 0	< 1000 = 1	New svc = 1 Reserve or b/u = 0	

CURRENT

8/25/2022

TFD	6/13/2022	8	2	2	2	2	
FD9	7/14/2022	7	1	2	2	2	
FD12	6/8/2022	7	2	1	2	2	
FD17	5/9/2022	6	1	2	1	2	
FD3	5/16/2022	6	1	2	2	1	
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RECENT SURPLUSSED

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1. Operations Committee will establish a list of potential recipients every spring or as needed for vehicle and associated equipment distribution.
2. Operations Committee will rank the recipients using the matrix above.
3. Ties will be decided for the requester that has never received a surplus vehicle or if the tied agencies have all received a surplus vehicle, the agency that has gone the longest since receiving such will be awarded the preference.
4. Operations Committee may consider special requests outside of this matrix in special circumstances as agreed upon at the time by the Committee.
5. Final approval of any distribution will come from the Emergency Medical Services Council.
6. List shall be in effect for 3 years from the date it is created.



Regional EMS and Trauma Care Council
Membership Application

Attestation of Request for Appointment or Reappointment

Name: Kurt Hardin	Position #: W-63	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> Alternate
Application for: reappointment for the West region EMS/trauma care council		
I am applying for a Local Government position representing Thurston County Emergency Management from Thurston County		
Preferred mailing address for council business: 2703 Pacific Ave SE, Ste C		
City: Olympia	State: WA	ZIP Code: 98502
Date of last Open Public Meetings Act (OPMA) training, if known: January 2022		

Applicant contact information

Contact phone: (360) 791-9291	<input type="checkbox"/> Work	<input type="checkbox"/> Home	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cell
Primary email: kurt.hardin@co.thurston.wa.us	Secondary email:		

Agency/Organization Recommendation

Is this position representing an agency or organization?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, get the agency or organization signature below		
Agency or organization name: Thurston County Emergency Services		
Head of agency or organization signature: Kurt Hardin	Digitally signed by Kurt Hardin Date: 2022.10.06 10:08:15 -07'00'	

Local Council recommendation:

Does this county have a local council? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, please get chair/president signature below.
Local chair/president name: Stan Moon
Signature:

Please answer the following questions:

1. Why are you interested in serving on the regional council?
Represent Thurston County Medic One on the Regional Council
2. What are your abilities, i.e., education, employment, and/or experience that qualify you for this position? Director of Thurston County Emergency Services which includes Medic One and Emergency Management.
3. Where are you currently employed? Thurston County

My signature attests that I have the authority to represent my agency or entity on the regional council, and that I understand my responsibility as outlined in the Regional Council Members' handbook.

Applicant Signature: Kurt Hardin Digitally signed by Kurt Hardin
Date: 2022.10.06 10:08:39 -07'00' **Date:** October 6, 2022

Before submitting this form, please make sure that you have local council's signature and the head of agency signature, if necessary.

Mail your completed form to the regional council to which you are applying (listed below):

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rachelcory@comcast.net

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P.O. Box 764
Burlington, WA 98233
martina@northregionems.com

South Central Region EMS & Trauma Care Council
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P.O. Box 65158
Vancouver, WA 98665
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Regional Councils: Add comments and send completed forms by email to
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Name:	Position #:	<input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> Alternate
I am applying for a _____ position representing _____ from _____ County		
Application for: _____ for the _____ region EMS/trauma care council		
Preferred mailing address for council business:		
City:	State:	ZIP Code:
Date of last Open Public Meetings Act (OPMA) training, if known:		

Applicant contact information

Contact phone:	<input type="checkbox"/> Work	<input type="checkbox"/> Home	<input type="checkbox"/> Cell
Primary email:	Secondary email:		

Agency/Organization Recommendation

Is this position representing an agency or organization?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, get the agency or organization signature below		
Agency or organization name:		
Head of agency or organization signature:		

Local Council recommendation:

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Local chair/president name:		
Signature:		

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