

**Thurston County Medic One
Emergency Medical Services Council – Regular Meeting
Hybrid (ESC/Virtual)
May 18, 2022**

PRESENT: Cindy Hambly, Sheila Fay, Dan Bivens, John Ricks, Brian VanCamp, Frank Kirkbride, Gary Edwards, Paul Perz, Angela Jefferson, Dontae Payne, Harry Miller

ABSENT: Wayne Fournier

EXCUSED: Lenny Greenstein, Larry Fontanilla, Stan Moon

GUESTS: Steve Brooks, Shawn Crimmins, Brian Hurley, Greg Perry

STAFF: Ben Miller-Todd, Joy Miller, Anna Lee Drewry, Daphne Reaves

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL – Ben Miller-Todd called the informational meeting of the Emergency Medical Services Council (EMSC) to order at 3:30 PM.

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – MSC –

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None.

III. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Margaret McPhee requested to have response time data included in the next meeting
- B. Correcting to council meetings report – Delete the phrase “Pictures from the train derailment” to “Current department photos”

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. **OPERATIONS COMMITTEE:** No May meeting
- B. **WEST REGION:** No report, next meeting is June 1st
- C. **STAFF REPORT:** Staff report is available on the website. [Thurston County | Medic One | Committee Meeting Information \(thurstoncountywa.gov\)](https://thurstoncountywa.gov/ThurstonCountyMedicOneCommitteeMeetingInformation). Miller-Todd highlighted on the following: 1) June 23 – 24, 2022 is the next paramedic hiring event. Jefferson asked how many more paramedics we need in Thurston County. Working from the “eligible to retire” list, Miller-Todd said over the next 12 months we are projecting between 8-12 openings, and we currently have 6 openings in the county. 2) EMT class graduation is June 20th.

V. OLD BUSINESS

- A. 90-Day No Divert Trial – Miller-Todd reported that we are 75 days into the trial, and the plan is to continue this permanently. He also stated that this is basically the way things were in 2018.
- B. Hybrid EMSC Meetings – Miller-Todd stepped in for Chair Moon to ask the council if they would like to continue with hybrid meetings, move to in-person meetings, or go back to virtual only. Most members would like to stay with hybrid, with a few members electing to go back to virtual only. Perz suggested zoom meetings with quarterly in-person meetings. This information will be shared with Chair Moon and action will be taken at the June meeting.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. BLS OTEP Funding – Miller-Todd presented the proposed 2022 BLS Funding worksheet. Beginning in 2022 Fire Agencies will provide OTEP classes to their providers. Medic One estimated a cost of \$100,000 to the county each year for providing instructors/evaluators. The proposed worksheet is allocating the \$100,000 to each agency in the form of financial support, to help cover the cost each agency will have with providing OTEP.

An amendment to the BLS agreement is being drafted to allow for the increase in allocation. The

addendum will come before the EMSC June meeting for a recommendation to the BoCC.

- B. 1st Qtr. 2022 Budget vs. Actuals – Joy Miller presented the 1st quarter 2022 budget vs. actual report. Overall Medic One has expended \$2,396,878 of the \$16,506,339 budget (14.5%).

VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

VIII. GOOD OF THE ORDER – None

IX. ADJOURNMENT – Meeting adjourned at 4:20.