

THURSTON COUNTY MEDIC ONE
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL
VIRTUAL MEETING

AGENDA

February 16, 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 January 19, 2022
 - B. Ops Committee February 3, 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 |
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| A. | Nominations Committee | Fay/Perz | Report |
| B. | 2022 BLS Funding Worksheet | Miller-Todd | Approve |
| C. | | | |
| D. | | | |
- VII. NEW BUSINESS

| | ITEM | PRESENTER | EXPECTED OUTCOME |
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| A. | WREMS Applications | Miller-Todd | Approve |
| B. | | | |
| C. | | | |
- VIII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
- IX. GOOD OF THE ORDER
- X. ADJOURNMENT

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**Thurston County Medic One
Emergency Medical Services Council – Regular Meeting
Virtual – Zoom Meeting
January 19, 2022**

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

ABSENT: Harry Miller

EXCUSED: Larry Fontanilla

GUESTS: Chris Clem, Shawn Crimmins, Dan Bivens, Steve Purcell, Steve Brooks

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

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

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – MSC – Added Item D, BLS Funding Worksheet, to new Business. (Kirkbride/Ricks) move to approve the agenda as amended, and this carried.

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None.

III. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. EMS COUNCIL – November 17, 2021 (December meeting was cancelled) (Greenstein/Hambly) move to approve the minutes, and this carried.

B. OPERATIONS COMMITTEE – December 1, 2021, January 6, 2021 (informational only)

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. **OPERATIONS COMMITTEE:** VanCamp reported: 1) Staff has implemented a new step in processing inventory orders from agencies. A new report will be provided with each order that provides the cost of each item. 2) HPU continued use was discussed – see Old Business, Item A. 3) A nominations committee was appointed for the 2022 election of Chair and Vice-Chair. 4) The MPD is starting an advisory committee to work on protocols. 5) Staff provided an overview of temporary work assignments while Kurt is serving as an interim Director at PHSS.

B. **WEST REGION:** Perz reported: 1) There was a report from DOH regarding the Health Info Exchange workgroup which looks at problems with electronic patient care reporting to the receiving agency from EMS services. They are exploring 3 options, one is EMS based, one is vendor based and the other is DOH based. They are looking for funding and a road map for implementation. 2) Membership was discussed which is on today's agenda under Old Business. 3) The Rehab Without Walls organization, which provides rehab services for brain injuries, spinal cord injuries, and strokes has closed several facilities. There was no report as to why some of their facilities have closed. 4) Grays Harbor EMS requested \$7,000 from WREMS to support their EMS training class, and this was approved. The cost for the class is \$35,000, with an expected income of \$25,000, and the county will not support funding for this. 5) Catie Holstein with DOH talked about a workgroup that provides guidance to MPD's regarding law enforcement and EMS in unsecured scenes. 5) There was discussion on reciprocity and the lack of EMTs nationwide. The challenges are legislative hold-up, barriers from other states for providing information, as well as barriers with people providing information for background checks. DOH granted \$30,000 to Lewis County to address recruitment in rural areas. 6) DOH reported that George Washington Hospital published a document on best practices.

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: 1) ePCR and TRU committees will be maintained on a regular basis. 2) Medic One needs signed MOUs from agencies that are billing, for us to get up and running on the entry way at PSPH emergency room. 3) The Public Health Director took another position so Kurt is the interim Director there until the County can fill that position. In the interim at Medic One Ben is Acting Assistant Director and is splitting duties with Anna Lee. Ben will be the staff POC for EMSC and Anna Lee will be helping on the operational side and with the Fire Commissioners.

V. OLD BUSINESS

- A. HPU – Miller-Todd reported: The Transport Resource Utilization (TRU) committee (a sub-committee of the Operations Committee), was tasked with the question about whether or not Medic One needed to continue to have an operational license in a manner that it had not historically had. TRU decided at the end of the emergency declaration that it would seem most reasonable to let it lapse and that Medic One really doesn't play an operational role in the EMS system. The TRU committee will re-evaluate what they want to do for transport resources in the absence of this license, once we anticipate the state removing the emergency declaration over the course of this year. Staff has reached out to DOH asking if we can keep the license in the event of a local declaration, instead of a state-wide declaration, i.e. a transport crisis in Thurston County. The HPU has been utilized approx., 3 times per shift, and it will remain operational Mondays and Fridays through February, and maybe March. Chris Clem with Olympic Ambulance provided a quick report on their staffing issues. The company has started a paid internship program. The intern will start as a full-time employee, with a full-time EMT wage, and the company will pay for them to attend school while working. This new hiring campaign has drawn a significant amount of interest from applicants.
- B. WREMS Committee Report – Kirkbride reported: There are 49 positions on the WREMS council. An example of these positions are hospital reps, pre-hospital, private ambulance, EMS council, and Fire Chiefs. 20 of the 49 positions are vacant and DOH is giving the WREMS Director a lot of pressure to fill these. An EMSC committee has been tasked to help fill these vacancies, and they identified the following four specific areas to represent Thurston County: Local elected representative, Law Enforcement representative, Local Emergency Management representative, and dispatch. The committee has identified three candidates and this information will be presented at the February EMSC meeting.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Appoint Nominations Committee – The nominations committee will consist of Fay and Perz and they will report at the February meeting.
- B. Appoint ALS Contract Negotiation Committee – The committee will consist of Hambly, Ricks, Greenstein, and Moon.
- C. 2022 Ambulance License Applications (Falk, AMR & Olympic Ambulance) – Hambly asked if Falk will be operating as interfacility only and Miller-Todd confirmed this. Drewry said Falk is aware that they will need to be protocolized in Thurston County. Perz raised some concern about Falk's rates because they are significantly higher than AMR and Olympic. (Greenstein/Fournier) move to approve the 2022 applications for Falk, AMR, and Olympic Ambulance, and this carried, with one oppose.
- D. BLS Funding Worksheet – The 2022 BLS Funding worksheet was presented to the council, which showed a \$300,000 increase in BLS support. The \$300,000 includes an increase in the base amount for financial support and supplies/equipment support, as well as an increase in the supplies/equipment support based on call volume. Medic One will also begin paying for the agency's costs of cellular connection for the modems.
- E. MultiCare Emergency Medical Center – Greenstein recused himself from discussion on this item because it is likely to go before the Lacey City Council. MultiCare has applied with the City of Lacey to open a 15 – 20 bed standalone emergency department in the 4500 block of Pacific Ave and does the EMSC want to write a letter in support of this. The council has decided they need more information before they can support this.

VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

- VIII. GOOD OF THE ORDER** – 1) Hambly asked when in-person meetings will occur, and Moon said this is up to the County. 2) Kirkbride welcomed Mayor Fournier to the council and thanked him for his input and participation. 3) Miller-Todd said Director Flewelling with TCOMM is retiring and at 3:00 on January 26th there is a virtual retirement party for him. 4) Edwards said the County is following the PHSS Physician's directives on in-person meetings.

IX. ADJOURNMENT – Meeting adjourned at 4:54.

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

PRESENT: Brian VanCamp, Steve Brooks, Ciaran Keogh, Tony Kuzma, Wendy Hill, Russ Kaleiwahea, Mark John, Jeff DeHahn, Mindy Churchwell, Brian Hurley, Mark Gregory, Amy Larson, Wendy Rife

ABSENT: Larry Fontanilla

EXCUSED:

GUESTS: Karen Weiss, Leonard Johnson, Monti Sorem, Michael Hughes, Chris Clem, Jennifer Schmidt, Corey Rux

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

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL – The meeting was called to order at 2:00.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA –MSC – New Business, Item A, EMT Class Status; Item B, SEI Coordinator Position, Item C, 2022 BLS Funds, was added to the agenda. (DeHan/Gregory) move to approve the agenda as amended, and this carried.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

IV. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Operations Committee – January 6, 2022 – (Kaleiwahea/John) move to approve and this carried.
2. EMS Council – January 19, 2022 (Informational only)

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. **West Region EMS Council** – No meeting since the last Ops meeting.

B. **Subcommittees**

1. Equipment Committee (EqC) – Bush reported for Crimmins: 1) Epi 1:10000 are very difficult to get again. Alan is working on finding vendors. 2) We have plenty of PPE in stock at Medic One. 3) Medic One continues to order Antigen Tests. 4) Next meeting is scheduled for March 31st at 0930. 5) Moving forward, Lieutenant Rian Winter will be the Equipment Committee Chair.
2. Mass Casualty Incident (MCI) Committee – MCI Committee will meet February 4th to discuss the Active Shooter plan.
3. Training Advisory Committee (TAC) – Clem reported: 1) Lead evaluators for most departments were identified. 2) Job descriptions for evaluator and lead evaluator roles were finalized. 3) Proposed dates for the evaluator workshop are March 1 - 3.
4. Transportation Resource Utilization Committee (TRU) / Hospital Diversion – Brooks reported: TRU meets next week, discussing two significant problems; availability of transport units, and available beds at the receiving facilities. Miller-Todd added on to this and said Medic One does send out ambulance availability every 3 days, and the HPU is still running Mondays and Fridays thru the end of February and will most likely continue thru the end of March. Clem said Olympic Ambulance has had a good round of hiring over the past few weeks with 9 EMTs starting orientation next week, in addition to the 3 that started last week.
5. ePCR Committee – No meeting in January, next meeting is scheduled for February 16th at 0930.

C. **Staff Report** – Staff report is located on the website at – <https://www.thurstoncountywa.gov/m1/Pages/meetings.aspx>

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. EMS Council Action Report – VanCamp reported: 1) A WREMS report included a Health Information Exchange Workgroup that is working on electronic records keeping. 2) Discussion about the Rehab Without Walls organization, which deals with traumatic injuries to the brain and spine, closing some of their locations. 3) EMT reciprocity and lack of EMTs nationwide. 4) The number of open positions on the WREMS council. 5) An ALS Contraction Negotiations committee was appointed. 6) 2022 Ambulance applications were approved. 7) BLS Funding worksheet was shared. 8) A proposed Multi-Care emergency department in Lacey was discussed.

B. Nominations Committee – Chief Kaleiwahea presented for the Nominations Committee: There were no nominations, however the committee recommended the current Chair and Vice-Chair be placed on the floor for a vote. A call was placed on the floor for the Chair and Vice-Chair for the Medic One Ops Committee, and hearing none, a second call was placed, and hearing none, Kaleiwahea suggested placing Chair VanCamp and Vice-Chair Gregory for a vote. The bylaws state that voting takes place in March of each year. (Brooks/John) move to close the nominations, to suspend the bylaws and move forward today with moving the existing Chair and Vice-Chair for a vote, and this carried.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. EMT Class Status – Drewry reported: 2022 EMT classes will include on-line distributive type learning and in-person skill sessions. The one full week of skill sessions was very successful last year. A class schedule is planned to go out tomorrow, however the anticipated start date is March 12th, and Karen Weiss will be the lead SEI. District 9 has agreed to host the classes, at Station 95. Course applications will contain information on vaccinated/un-vaccinated protocols.
- B. SEI Coordinator Position – Medic One is recruiting for an SEI Coordinator position and information regarding this position was presented.
- C. 2022 BLS Funds – A draft copy of the 2022 BLS Support worksheet was emailed to the committee. This worksheet will be presented at the March Ops meeting.

VIII. GOOD OF THE ORDER – Miller-Todd reminded the committee that the MPD issued an ask for a Protocol Committee.

IX. ADJOURNMENT – (Hurley/DeHan) move to adjourn at 2:26, and this carried.



Regional EMS and Trauma Care Council
Membership Application

Attestation of Request for Appointment or Reappointment

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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

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

Agency/Organization Recommendation

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

Please answer the following questions:

1. Why are you interested in serving on the regional council?
2. What are your abilities, i.e., education, employment, and/or experience that qualify you for this position?
3. Where are you currently employed?

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: Lenny Greenstein **Date:** _____

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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Membership Application

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| Name: Todd Carson | Position #: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> Alternate |
| I am applying for a W-75 Emergency position representing from Thurston County | | |
| Application for: for the West region EMS/trauma care council | | |
| Preferred mailing address for council business: 100 Eastside St. NE | | |
| City: Olympia | State: WA | ZIP Code: 98501 |
| Date of last Open Public Meetings Act (OPMA) training, if known: | | |

Applicant contact information

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| Contact phone: 360 753-8460 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Work | <input type="checkbox"/> Home | <input type="checkbox"/> Cell |
| Primary email: tcarson@ci.olympia.wa.us | Secondary email: | | |

Agency/Organization Recommendation

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| 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: Olympia Fire Department | | |
| Head of agency or organization signature: Fire Chief Mark John | | |

Local Council recommendation:

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| 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: Norma Pancake |
| Signature: Deputy Chief Todd Carson |

Please answer the following questions:

1. Why are you interested in serving on the regional council?

I'm interested in serving on this council and being a part of an innovative and diverse team who's members are consistently looking critically at ways to improve Emergency Medical Services. I feel my diverse background would add value and be a great fit for this council.

2. What are your abilities, i.e., education, employment, and/or experience that qualify you for this position?

University of Washington graduate, Employed with the Olympia Fire Department for 24 years, holding every rank from Firefighter, Lieutenant, Capt. of Training, Shift Battalion Chief, Currently holding the position of Deputy Chief and functioning as the City of Olympia. Emergency Manager. +

3. Where are you currently employed? City of Olympia, Olympia Fire Department

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: Todd Carson

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Date: 2022.02.07 09:49:25 -08'00'

Date: 2/7/2022

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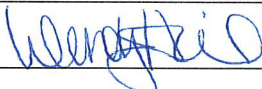
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| Name: Wendy Hill | Position #: W-24 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> Alternate |
| I am applying for a council member position representing dispatch from Thurston County | | |
| Application for: WREMS Council for the West region EMS/trauma care council | | |
| Preferred mailing address for council business: 2703 Pacific Avenue SE Suite A | | |
| City: Olympia | State: WA | ZIP Code: 98501 |
| Date of last Open Public Meetings Act (OPMA) training, if known: March 19, 2018 | | |

Applicant contact information

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| Contact phone: (360) 704-2731 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Work | <input type="checkbox"/> Home | <input type="checkbox"/> Cell |
| Primary email: w.hill@tcomm911.org | Secondary email: | | |

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| 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 911 Communications | | |
| Head of agency or organization signature:  | | |

Local Council recommendation:

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| 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: |
| Signature: |

Please answer the following questions:

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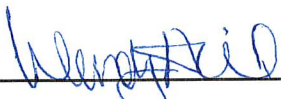
I would like to serve on the regional council to represent 911 emergency communications and provide input from a public safety answering point perspective. Dispatch centers play a key role in the EMS community and I would like to help guide the integrated emergency medical services and trauma care in our region.

2. What are your abilities, i.e., education, employment, and/or experience that qualify you for this position?

I have worked in public safety/911 for approximately 20 years, and understand the issues impacting our EMS system. I am the Executive Director of Thurston 911 Communications, and was the Deputy Director for 6 years prior to that. I have both a Master's and Bachelor's degree in Business Administration. +

3. Where are you currently employed? Thurston 911 Communications

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Applicant Signature:  **Date:** 2/4/2022

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