

THURSTON COUNTY MEDIC ONE  
OPERATIONS COMMITTEE ~ REGULAR MEETING  
**HYBRID MEETING**

**AGENDA - REVISED**

May 4, 2023, 2:00 PM

- I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL
- II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
- IV. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES
  - A. Operations Committee – April 6, 2023
  - B. EMS Council - April 19, 2023 (informational only)
- V. COMMITTEE REPORTS
  - A. West Region EMS Council
  - B. Subcommittees
    - 1. Equipment Committee (EqC) – Chair or Representative
    - 2. Mass Casualty Incident (MCI) Committee – Chair or Representative
    - 3. Training Advisory Committee (TAC) – Chair or Representative
    - 4. Transportation Resource Utilization Committee (TRU) – Chair or Representative
    - 5. ePCR Committee – Chair or Representative
  - C. Staff Report - <https://www.thurstoncountywa.gov/m1/Pages/meetings.aspx>
- VI. OLD BUSINESS

ITEM	PRESENTER	EXPECTED OUTCOME
A. EMSC Report	Gregory	Informational
B. ALS Workgroup	Miller-Todd	Recommendation to EMSC
C. Special Projects Committee	Brooks	Recommendation to EMSC
D. Medic One Revenue/Equipment Replacement	Miller-Todd	Informational
E. PCR MPD Policy Update	Miller-Todd	Informational

VII. NEW BUSINESS

ITEM	PRESENTER	EXPECTED OUTCOME
A. Surplus of PHSS Covid Ambulance	Miller-Todd	Informational
B.		

VIII. GOOD OF THE ORDER

IX. ADJOURNMENT

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**May 4, 2023, 2:00 (PDT)**

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**THURSTON COUNTY MEDIC ONE  
OPERATIONS COMMITTEE ~ MEETING MINUTES  
HYBRID - ESC  
April 6, 2023**

**PRESENT:** Steve Brooks, Derek Smith, Mark Gregory, Wendy Rife, Ciaran Keogh, Todd Carson, Mindy Churchwell, Wendy Hill, Ray Curtis, Larry Fontanilla, Dave Johnson

**ABSENT:** Brian Hurley, Leonard Johnson

**EXCUSED:** Brian VanCamp

**GUESTS:** Chris Patti, Joey Rodriguez

**STAFF:** Sandra Bush, Ben Miller-Todd, Chris Clem, Jerett Latimer

**I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL** – Vice-Chair Gregory called the meeting to order at 2:00.

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA –MSC** – (Brooks/Carson) move to approve the agenda and this carried.

**III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** – None

**IV. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Operations Committee – March 2, 2023 – (Brooks/Carson) move to approve and this carried.
2. EMS Council – March 15, 2023 (Informational only)

**V. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. **West Region EMS Council** – Clem reported: The council met March 8<sup>th</sup> via zoom. 1) The council is still working to finalize the strategic plan for the upcoming biennium. 2) WREMS is hoping to resume hosting the in-person conference next year. 3) Chris Clem is officially back on the board as Treasurer. 4) Norma Pancake nominated Tony Kuzma as Chair for next year. Nominations are still open for all board positions. 5) Lewis County requested funds to re-stock their MCI trailer and this has been tabled for the next council meeting.
- B. **Subcommittees**
1. Equipment Committee (EqC) – No report.
  2. Mass Casualty Incident (MCI) Committee – No report – next meeting is April 12<sup>th</sup>.
  3. Training Advisory Committee (TAC) – Clem reported: 1) TAC has been working to develop the Resilience OTEP which is to be released in the second half of this year. 2) TAC is planning to have an online module followed by an in-person session for a discussion facilitated by TC Peer Support Consortium members.
  4. Transportation Resource Utilization Committee (TRU) / Hospital Diversion – No report – next meeting is April 13<sup>th</sup>.
  5. ePCR Committee – No report - next meeting is in June.
- C. **Staff Report** – Staff report is located on the website at – <https://www.thurstoncountywa.gov/m1/Pages/meetings.aspx> Miller-Todd highlighted the following: 1) The title ALS Program Manager has been changed to Medic One Paramedic Program Manager and the position has been changed to an at-will position. As of today, 9 applications have been received. An initial zoom introduction will take place with the top 6 applicants, followed by an in-person interview. 2) This past week there was an initial medic hiring process and 3 of the 7 applicants passed. 3) 16 students are enrolled in the EMT class.

**VI. OLD BUSINESS**

- A. EMSC Report – Gregory reported on the March 15<sup>th</sup> meeting: Just a couple of items Gregory highlighted on – vacant positions at Medic One and the re-titling of the ALS Program Manager position.
- B. Stroke Transports - Clem presented a chart showing stroke transports for December 2022 – March 2023. Out of the 130 strokes documented, 85% were treated at PSPH, 1% was transported to Madigan Army Medical Center, 11% were transported to MultiCare Tacoma General, and 4% were transported to St. Joseph Medical Center. Currently a LAMS score of 4 or 5 are transported north. Dr. Fontanilla is reviewing data to determine if a LAMS score of 5 should be the only transports north.
- C. ALS Workgroup – Miller-Todd presented a draft ALS Response Workgroup Charter which will be emailed to the committee. Ops will be asked at the May meeting for a recommendation to the EMS council, so Ben asked the committee to review and reach out with questions before May 4<sup>th</sup>. Miller-Todd provided 2021 and 2022 ALS unit utilization numbers and 2022 utilization has drastically improved.

## **VII. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Appoint Special Projects Committee – (Brooks/Carson) move to extend the application deadline to April 20<sup>th</sup>, and this carried. Derek Smith, Steve Brooks and Todd Carson volunteered to be on the committee, and they will report back at the May Ops meeting.
- B. Semi-Annual Review of Ambulance Ordinance – There are no recommended changes to the ordinance.
- C. Protocols – Clem reported: In January of this year there were some unintended changes to the protocols and the State has been working with staff to expedite a new set of protocols. As of yesterday, staff received the approval letter for the corrected protocols which are now live on the Medic One website and will be live on the protocol app and ESO April 11<sup>th</sup>. Clem will email agencies with a list of what changes have been made.

## **VIII. GOOD OF THE ORDER – None**

## **IX. ADJOURNMENT – (Brooks/Carson) move to adjourn the meeting at 2:41, and this carried.**

**Thurston County Medic One  
Emergency Medical Services Council – Regular Meeting  
Hybrid – 2703 Pacific Ave SE, Olympia  
April 19, 2023**

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**PRESENT:** Stan Moon, Cindy Hambly, John Ricks, Brian VanCamp, Angela Jefferson, Frank Kirkbride, Margaret McPhee, Gary Edwards, Sheila Fay, Tom Carroll

**ABSENT:** Harry Miller, Wayne Fournier, Dontae Payne

**EXCUSED:** Larry Fontanilla, Lenny Greenstein

**GUESTS:** Dan Bivens, Derek Smith, Shawn Crimmins, Mindy Churchwell

**STAFF:** Ben Miller-Todd, Sandra Bush, 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.

**I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – MSC** – (Fay/Ricks) move to approve the agenda and this carried.

**II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** – None.

**III. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- A. EMS COUNCIL – March 15, 2023. (Kirkbride/Ricks) move to approve the minutes, and this carried.
- B. OPERATIONS COMMITTEE – April 6, 2023 (informational only)

**IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. **OPERATIONS COMMITTEE:** VanCamp reported: 1) There was a presentation on out-of-county transports for stroke patients, which is on today's agenda under Old Business. 2) ALS Workgroup continues to work on provisions that were provided for in the most recently adopted ALS agreements, with 3 contractors. There should be a recommendation to the EMSC at the May meeting. 3) A Special Project committee was appointed, and a recommendation will be made to the EMSC at the May meeting. 4) The Ops committee reviews the ambulance ordinance semi-annually and there were no recommended changes. 5) There were some errors in the previous version of the updated protocols. Revised protocols came out in April, and these can be found on Medic One's website.
- B. **WEST REGION EMS COUNCIL:** Kirkbride reported: The next meeting is June 7, 2023.
- 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) Paramedic hiring process was at the end of March. There were 7 applicants and 3 were selected to move forward. 2) There are 16 students enrolled in the spring EMT course. 3) 6 applicants for the Paramedic Program Manager position will be interviewed this Friday and then narrowed down to 3.

**V. OLD BUSINESS**

- A. **Medic One Levy Update** – Miller-Todd reported: Staff has reached out to Washington State Department of Revenue to find out some of the reasons they stepped in and made changes to the components of the language right before the levy. Staff is waiting to schedule some of those components with the right stakeholders. Staff has been talking to the Prosecuting Attorney's office, the Budget office, and the County Manager and this was reported out to the Medic One Levy committee.
- B. **Stroke Transports Update** – Miller-Todd presented a chart showing stroke transports for December 2022 – March 2023. Out of the 130 strokes documented, 85% were treated at PSPH, 1% was transported to Madigan Army Medical Center, 11% were transported to MultiCare Tacoma General, and 4% were transported to St. Joseph Medical Center. Currently a LAMS score of 4 or 5 are transported north. Dr. Fontanilla is reviewing data to determine if a LAMS score of 5 should be the only transports north.
- C. **Medic Unit Procurement Update** – Miller-Todd reported: The cost for medic units has increased 76% since last purchased in 2018. In 2018 we spent \$232,000 per unit, and we will now spend about \$410,000 per unit. In addition, there is an incredible demand for aid units right now because procurements dropped

due to COVID. Staff received BoCC approval to procure the medic units with a 15% variance due to the current contract environment regarding specialized equipment. The current contracting environment allows for pass thru costs over a course of the year from the point Medic One signs the quote until the point in which we take delivery. So, over the course of the next year, pass through costs could increase by an additional 10% due to the supply chain constraints that are currently being experienced. New vehicles are 5 years on frontline, 5 years on reserve, and then they surplus out to agencies and are potentially used for another 15 years. Financing has been built into the equipment components and will be part of a discussion with the budget committee.

- D. Hospital Entry Delays – Olympic Ambulance will be contracting with Providence St. Peter's hospital to provide support in the entry way so transport units can be freed up. Miller-Todd said a healthcare presentation was given to the Board of County Commissioners and it was picked up by the Olympian.

Commissioner Edwards asked about EMP (Electronic Magnetic Pulse) protection availability for the units. Miller-Todd said he will research this.

## **VI. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. 2022 Year-End Financial Reports – Miller-Todd/Keene reported: The total 2022 budget spent was \$15,638,339 which is a 90% expended budget. Admin was 61% used, ALS was 97% used, BLS was 79% used, IT was 86% used, and ER&R was 0% used. Keene said we are starting to receive reimbursements from ARPA, CARES, and will soon begin receiving reimbursements from FEMA. As of today, we have received \$267,000 and expect an additional \$46,000. The money goes into the Medic One fund balance. Next month Keene will present 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2023 YTD budget. Miller-Todd also reported that Medic One was able to surplus an old training van and it sold for almost \$7,000.

## **VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None**

## **VIII. GOOD OF THE ORDER – None**

## **IX. ADJOURNMENT – Meeting adjourned at 4:14.**

Thurston County Medic One Special Projects Application - 2022

PROJECTS RATING MATRIX

Special Projects Budget: \$10,000

APPLICANT AGENCY & PROJECT NAME			TOTAL POINTS	Cost/ Benefit Ratio	ALS Response Time	Square Miles	Population	Multi- Agency	Alt Funding	Criteria	Comments MPD Approval?	Expenditure Detail				Special Projects Budget	Staff Comments				
				A = 2 B = 1 C = 0 D = -1 E = -2	>20min = 2 10-20min = 1 <10min = 0	>30 mi = 2 10-30 mi = 1 <10 mi = 0	>40k = 2 10-40k = 1 <10k = 0	>3 = 2 2-3 = 1 1 = 0	0 = Yes 1 = No	5 = New 4 = Enhance 3 = Replace 2 = Repair 1 = Potential Improvement	No points applied for comments or MPD approvals	Project Amount	Agency's Match Request Amount	Allowable - per SP criteria	Special Projects Committee Funding Recommendation	\$10,000					
A		SETFA - Stair chair	5	0	1	2	1	1	0			5,009	2,504	2,504		7,496					
B		FD6 - EMS bags	3	0	1	1	1	0	0			1,605	803	803		6,693					
C		FD8 - Rescue manikin	6	0	1	2	1	1	1			1,730	865	865		5,828					
D		FD9 - Break apart stokes basket for patient removal	6	0	1	2	1	1	1			4,075	2,038	2,038	Approve both if the EMSC is willing to go over budget, or remove one if they are not	3,790					
E		FD9 - Ballistic vest enhancement	6	0	1	2	1	1	1			5,288	2,500	2,500		1,290					
F		FD12 - Training manikin for EMS training	5	0	1	2	0	1	1			2,410	1,205	1,205		85					
G		FD17 - Folding backboards	5	0	1	2	0	1	1			2,500	1,250	1,250		(1,165)					
H			0													(1,165)					
BALANCE REMAINING IN BUDGET:																\$22,617	\$11,164	\$11,165	\$0	(1,165)	

Comments: