Bayfield-Ashland Counties EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES August 27, 2015

Meeting of the Bayfield-Ashland Counties EMS Council was called to order by Tam Hofman, President of the Council.

All those present introduced themselves.

MINUTES.

Motion made by Dan Clark, seconded by Dan Heinzen, to accept the minutes as distributed. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Steve Cordes reported a balance of \$10,282.42. Motion made by Gary Victorson, seconded by Patti Stemwedel, to accept the Financial Report as given. Motion carried.

Steve continues to work with the bank on obtaining an EMS Council credit card.

He also read a thank you received from South Shore Ambulance.

NWEMSC – Discussion related to NCEMS, Bound Tree and Savvik buying group.

MDAC – Medical Director Advisory Committee (MDAC) has reviewed the NARCAN protocol. Copies were distributed. Discussion related to training and obtaining the medication. (Mellen is trained; Huhn Drug has prescription on file.)

Draw up EPI is being considered by several services. APIS has a protocol thru Dr. Shultz.

MMC – Jan Victorson read an email received from Erika Kurtz. New software program being implemented at MMC; bring chocolate!

NWWI RTAC – Judy Jones reported on the NWWI RTAC. She is building a contact list that includes the entire region. There are three sub-regions in the NWWEI RTAC. Each subregion will receive up to \$13,246 in funding for continued programming. A needs assessment is under development. She reviewed the list of those who have not received pediatric kits through the Federation of Womens' Clubs. The Lake Superior region of the NWWI RTAC is scheduled to meet on September 19th, 1 pm at MMC in Ashland.

WITC – The Mason Refresher is scheduled to include an online component. The daytime class has been cancelled. An evening class is scheduled to begin October 8th.

Discussion about class sizes:

- 10 for regular class
- 8 for Refresher
- 12 for Credit class (180

The number required to conduct a class is a local decision based on statute and administrative code.

The organization with WITC EMS for the Indianhead District includes:

- Steve Mackiewicz Director/Paramedic Program
- Lee Kennedy Paramedic Specialist
- Gret Carlson Associate Dean
- Susan Lockwood Dean

Please schedule your refresher classes as soon as possible.

HEMS (Helicopter EMS)

- NORTH scene flights on are the increase; Landing zone classes are being conducted throughout the area.
- LIFE LINK III Noel Simonson introduced herself and reviewed outreach events coming up in this area. Continue to day base at Ashland every other Thursday; day base in Cloquet 9-9 through October 31st.

COMMUNICATIONS – Discussion about areas with diminished coverage throughout Bayfield County. A solution is being researched with a proposal for a joint cell/radio tower being considered in Washburn. Discussion.

ANNUAL DINNER – The annual dinner is scheduled at the Village Inn in Cornucopia on Sunday, September 20, 2015 – 5:30 pm.

BASO - It has a busy, busy summer in Bayfield County.

CROSS-CREDENTIALING – The WARDS system cannot document an EMT that is not credentialed with the reporting service. Discussion/brainstorming. Is it possible to include a field in WARDS that would allow documentation? Ask Chuck Happel.

ADDRESSING – Jan Victorson offered to attend any meeting to review the use and resources available in the emergency responders map book.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting of the EMS Council will be the Annual meeting/dinner September 20th - 5:30 PM – Village Inn in Cornucopia.

Motion made by Dan Clark, seconded by Joe Schick, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

IN ATTENDANCE

Joe Belany Dan Clark Steve Cordes Jason Dickinson Brett Friermood Dan Heinzen Tam Hofman Judy Jones Cindy Lazorik Mark McCool Adam Olson Rob Pearson Ashland Washburn / BASO Mason / MMC Life Link III Barnes Mellen South Shore / APIS NWWI RTAC WITC / South Shore APIS BA AmeriCorps North Memorial Air Care Rob Puls Joe Schick Noel Simonson Patti Stemwedel Megan Traaholt Gary Victorson Jan Victorson Great Divide Mason Life Link III South Shore Mason Iron River BAEM