

Bayfield-Ashland Counties
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
March 22, 2007

The March meeting of the Bayfield-Ashland Counties EMS Council was called to order by Dean Hambrecht, President of the Council. The meeting was held in the North and South Twin Island meeting rooms at MMC/Ashland.

Jan reported that several members had notified her that they were unable to attend: Jamie Paterson of Bayfield, Cindy Lazorik of WITC, Dorothy Tank of Ashland Co EM, John Harding of Glidden and Jeff Benton of Red Cliff.

MINUTES – *Motion made by Scott Thimm, seconded by Teresa Gunderson, to accept the February minutes as printed. Motion carried.*

TREASURER REPORT – No report.

MDAC – No meeting.

RADIO INTEROPERABILITY GRANT – Jan Victorson reported that the radio training related to the Mutual Aid Interoperability Grant is under development. Training will include the basics of radio system operations as well as naming and use of channels.

MCI TRAILER – The MCI trailer is now stored at the old Experimental Farm site on US 2. Ashland Fire has agreed to be one of the agencies to develop towing capabilities. Discussion about a possible tour of the trailer at a future meeting.

WEBSITE – Jan met with Gene Miller related to ongoing Council website development. He will continue updating minutes and other items as they are forwarded to him. Additional capabilities exist – for instance a calendar feature that could include upcoming training being offered in the area.

The Lake Superior RTAC (Regional Trauma Advisory Council) website has also been updated.

INTERCEPT GUIDELINES – Dan Diamon brought up a question from Gold Cross related to use of red light and siren by an intercept ambulance when no patients contact has been made. Gold Cross has been trying to minimize the situations in which they may be running with red lights and siren due to safety issues. Ashland Fire's policy is to come red lights and siren unless cancelled – will not even slow down when told do cancel lights and siren response. It is most important that the intercept keep moving toward the scene. If changes in policy are made, public education will be important. Discussion.

LAKE SUPERIOR RTAC – Dan Diamon reminded folks about the PEPP class reimbursement for a pediatric

champion. Get signed documentation to him by the tenth of the month.

ICS 400 – The Incident Command System 400 course is being conducted at Bad River in April. More information available through Dorothy Tank. Both the ICS 300 (Intermediate) and ICS 400 (Advanced) are 16 hour classes. WITC is working toward several offerings of the ICS 300 in the region.

AFG (Assistance to Firefighters Grant) – Jan Victorson asked if there was any interest in filing for a regional grant under the AFG. Discussion about applying for Pediatric kits for each ambulance.

WARDS – Mellen is up and running on WARDS. Ron Brendalen has been entering all runs for the last several months.

AMBULANCE PROVIDER TRAINING – Rhinelander and Eau Claire are the closest sites for ambulance provider training being conducted by the state EMS office.

EXPOSURE CONTROL PLAN – Jan talked with Patti Skorazewski from the hospital. She was unable to attend the March meeting but will be attending in April. Jan also talked with Bayfield County Public Health. Bayfield County Public Health Officer, Amelia Lindsey, will also be in attendance in April.

NEXT MEETING – The next meeting of the Council is scheduled for April 26th at 7:00 PM. Main agenda topic will be the exposure control plan and mechanisms for notification of responders.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Gary Victorson, seconded by Scott Thimm, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

IN ATTENDANCE

Steve Cordes	Mason
Marie Cupp	Washburn
Dan Diamon	Gold Cross/RTAC
Robin Frierhood	Barnes
Viola Frierhood	Barnes
Ted Gostomski	Great Divide
Teresa Gunderson	Mason
Dean Hambrecht	Great Divide
Tam Hofman	South Shore
Mary Ross	Madeline Island
Scott Thimm	Ashland
Gary Victorson	Iron River Ambulance
Jan Victorson	Bayfield County EM
Jewel Yanko	Mellen