

Bayfield-Ashland Counties
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
December 3, 2015

Meeting of the Bayfield-Ashland Counties EMS Council was called to order by Gary Victorson, Vice-President of the Council. President Tam Hofman was scheduled out of the area on family business.

Greetings from folks unable to attend the meeting included: Jason Dickinson, Life Link III; Matt Jakubik, North Air Care; Judy Jones, NWWI RTAC (Regional Trauma Advisory Council); and Aimee Wollmann-Neseth, NWWI Health Care Coalition.

All those present introduced themselves.

MINUTES.

Motion made by Joe Schick, seconded by Cindy Lazorik, to accept the minutes as corrected. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Steve Cordes reported a balance of \$7090.21 after deposits and expenditures

Motion made by Dan Clark, seconded by Gina LaGrew, to accept the Financial Report as given. Motion carried.

MDAC (Medical Director Advisory Council).

Discussions of protocols to be reviewed:

- Draw up EPI option was discussed. APIS has a protocol in place.
- Burn care – dry or wet dressings

WITC.

Cindy Lazorik reported 16 students in the current EMT class. EMT Refreshers, both on line and face to face, have been scheduled. EMR refreshers (80 hours) also are being scheduled.

MMC.

Erika Kurtz stated that ambulance services have been recognizing stroke and calling early. This saves time for the potential stroke patients allowing them to go directly to the CT scanner.

LAKE SUPERIOR REGION OF NWWI RTAC.

The next meeting of the Lake Superior Region is on December 17th at 1:00 pm – Essentia/St. Mary's Hospital in Superior.

ST. LUKES.

Stan Saddenwasser was attending the meeting specifically to recognize the partnership between EMS and hospitals when it comes to Stroke and STEMI response and treatments. St. Luke's received American Heart Association (AHA) awards for their Stroke and STEMI programs. He reminded the membership that pre-notifications by EMS make a huge, huge difference in timely patient care. St. Luke's brought a cake to share with all in recognition of joint efforts.

Cyd introduced herself as the new Trauma Program Manager at St. Luke's.

Discussion about diversion of patients when resources may not offer "safe care".

EMS Recognition Dinner is schedule for April 19th. More information will be shared in the future.

BASO (Bayfield County Sheriff's Office).
Efforts continue to improve communications.

BAEM (Bayfield County Emergency Management) NWWI HCC has offered project investments of up to \$1500 per participating agency. Jan Victorson made contact and asked if a Council grant to not exceed \$1500 per service would be accepted and was told to apply. Consensus of those present to have emergency management develop a Council grant application for pagers. Jan will make contact with those services not represented and develop and submit the required paperwork.

Jan summarized information from the recent Wisconsin state EMS meetings. Summary is attached to minutes.

ASHLAND FIRE.

Joe Belany reported that there will be six new staff after the first of the year. The departments hopes this will increase response, including intercept, capabilities.

CREDENTIALING.

Discussion about cross-credentialing EMS personnel thru WARDS. The state EMS office advises that we may be able to do this by letter request rather than asking our medical director to approve each in WARDS.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting of the EMS Council will be held February 4th in order to avoid conflicts with Arrowhead and WEMSA EMS Conferences.

Motion made by Joe Schick, seconded by Lyn Cornelius, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

IN ATTENDANCE

Joe Belany	Ashland
Dan Clark	Washburn / BASO
Steve Cordes	Mason / MMC
Lyn Cornelius	Bayfield
Brett Frierhood	Barnes
Erika Kurtz	MMC/Ashland
Gina LaGrew	Red Cliff
Mike LaGrew	Red Cliff
Cindy Lazorik	WITC / South Shore
Cyd Olmstead	St. Luke's
Stan Saddenwasser	St. Luke's
Joe Schick	Mason
Gary Victorson	Iron River
Jan Victorson	BAEM

