

Bayfield-Ashland Counties
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
January 4, 2018

The meeting of the Bayfield-Ashland Counties EMS Council was called to order by Joe Belany, Acting Chair of the Council. Meeting was held at MMC/Ashland.

All present introduced themselves.

MINUTES

Motion made by Joe Schick seconded by Erika Kurtz, to accept the minutes of the December meeting as distributed. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL

The financial report was given by Steve Cordes. There is currently \$108 in the taxi cab fund at MMC.

Expenditures:

\$1375 to St Luke's for medical direction.

Balance:

\$10,534.99.99

Information: \$108.00 in Taxi account/MMC

Motion made by Tony Huber, seconded by Lyn Cornelius, to accept the financial report. Motion carried.

MEDICAL DIRECTOR – Dr. Jonathan Shultz is out of town and nothing new to report.

HEMS (Helicopter EMS)

- North Air – greetings sent by email. No news.
- LifeLinkIII – Mindy Olander reported that Jason Dickinson has taken a new position as base manager in Anoka, MN. She and Kevin Thill will serve as points of contact for this area. They have also opened a new base in Marshfield.

AFG (Assistance to Firefighters Grant) – Jan Victorson reported that Jack Hoiby, Fire Chief in Grand View, is willing to develop the application to the AFG to upgrade radios for those agencies that had not participated. This includes ambulance services. Contact has been made with Bayfield and Red Cliff.

WITC – Joe Belany reported on upcoming classes. The Conference is scheduled for March 16 and 17 in Rice Lake.

Joe is retiring from WITC on January 16th. Tim Salo will be the point of contact for WITC after that point. (timothy.salo@witc.edu) 715.682.4591 x 5244 and cell 715.931.0337.

MMC – Garage: Bayfield Ambulance was the first ambulance in the new garage. Services are reminded to return badges if they still have them. HEMS pad is back in the original location. Sensors in the ambulance garage are on a timer. Suggestion to activate the garage opening when near the helipad to prevent door closing as ambulance enters.

Infection Control: Lots of A and B influenza around. Reminders to wash your hands, wear masks (especially when using nebulizer) when cough/fever present. Gray topped wipes are in the ambulance garage and available for use in cleaning the ambulance. Please leave wipes in the ambulance garage.

Education: Erika asked for service directors to identify need for education and training and let Erika know.

Maps: Maps with directions to MMC were distributed for use in ambulances.

COMMUNICATIONS INTEROPERABILITY – Regional interoperability meetings have been scheduled throughout the state. The NW meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 23rd at the Bayfield County EOC, Washburn – 9:30 to noon. All are encouraged to attend.

TRAINING: EMS FOR CHILDREN – The EMS for Children training is scheduled for February 2, 6 to 9 pm at Hayward Area Memorial Hospital. Brochure describing the training was emailed mid-December.

SERVICE DISCUSSION – Every service in Bayfield County has had mutual aid for back-up during this last year. Discussion.

A meeting is scheduled for January 17th to discuss where EMS serving Bayfield County see themselves in five (5) years. Meeting details will be sent to service directors via email.

HSEMS1 thru 5 – Consideration at the state level as to use of these talk groups on WISCOM. Discussion about designating one for use for intercepts statewide (as RTAC 64 is used by all disciplines for regional coordination). RTAC 64 is being used for intercepts with Gold Cross.

NEXT MEETING – The next scheduled meeting of the Council is Thursday, February 1st, 2018 at 7pm.

ADJOURNMENT – *Motion made by Joe Schick, seconded by Tony Huber, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.*

IN ATTENDANCE

Joe Belany	WITC / Ashland
Steve Cordes	Mason / MMC
Lyn Cornelius	Bayfield
Brett Frierhood	Barnes
Tony Huber	Mellen
Erika Kurtz	MMC
Mindy Olander	LifeLinkIII
Joe Schick	Mason
Jan Victorson	BAEM / Iron River