

Bayfield-Ashland Counties
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
October 5, 2023

CALL TO ORDER – The meeting of the Bayfield-Ashland Counties EMS Council was called to order by Tam Hofman, President of the Council. A hybrid meeting was held via zoom and in person at the Ashland Fire/EMS Training Room.

MINUTES – Annual meeting

Motion made by Mark Hill, seconded by Jeff Bellile, to accept the minutes of the Annual Meeting held September 10, 2023 as printed. Motion carried.

MINUTES – September meeting

Motion made by Jeff Bellile, seconded by Chris Pribek, to accept the minutes of the September 7th meeting as printed. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL – Steve Cordes reviewed the financial report included with the meeting agenda.

Expenditures: Advantix

Medical Direction

PO Box

Balance: \$13,629.39

Motion made by Mark Hill, seconded by Jeff Bellile, to accept the financial report with changes. Motion carried.

STATE EMS OFFICE – Don Kimlicka reported:

- FAP (Funding Assistance Program) is opening any day. The total available this year remains at 2.2 million with an increase expected in 2024.
- Questions or any issues with FLEX and FAP grants should be directed to the link on the website.
- Student training permits for EMT require a minimum of 46 hours of training before working on an ambulance.
- Basic training permits are only denied if background check issues. Reminder that background checks only identify issues in Wisconsin.
- 2023 updated protocols are on the EMS website. Few changes. Contact Dr. Colella if future scope of practice or protocol issues. A form has been developed for use.
- WARDS issues since the update, please contact Ella.
- Reminder that a coverage agreement is intended for use when a service knows in advance that coverage is needed.

- EMR requirements for licensure will soon be released.
- Any questions contact Don at Donald.kimlicka@dhs.wisconsin.gov.

MMC – Doug Jennings reported that as of November 21, 2023, Memorial Medical Center (MMC) will be known as Ashland Medical Center under Tamarack Health. MMC has noted an uptick in employee COVID.

HEMS

- LIFELINKIII – Ty Wiegman reported all is well, no big updates.
- NORTH – Matt Jakubik reported that all is well, no updates.

NWWI HERC (Health Emergency Readiness Coalition) – Jan Victorson reported:

- Scholarships will be available for preparedness conferences, etc. again this fiscal year. Forms are on the NWWI HERC website.

NWWI RTAC (Regional Trauma Advisory Committee) - Jan reported:

- PHTLS courses have been scheduled for this fiscal year. Red Cliff is hosting one on November 4th. Information was sent out by Meagan Quaderer to all services.

BAEM – Meagan Quaderer reported:

- Bayfield County budget planning includes:
 - \$20,000 for each of the nine BA EMS/ambulance agencies
 - \$35,000 for a consultant to conduct an EMS Study – assess current, make everyone successful, develop a clear picture for municipal officials
- Discussion about shared revenue increase for public safety and transportation. Information will be sent to service directors.
- PSAP Consolidation – Meagan continues to be the link to information and the link to BA Dispatch.

DISCUSSION – Concern expressed that the Board of Directors does not identify Fire or EMS as an identified stakeholder. President was requested to send a letter supporting EMS and Fire represented in the decision-making process related to the PSAP.

MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT – Request that Glidden Ambulance and Butternut Fire/First Responders be added to the Mutual Aid

Agreement. Officers will review and submit a draft to the membership.

TRAINING – Chris Pribek announced that Ashland Fire is hosting Bob Page, nationally known speaker on EKG and capnography will be presenting on October 18th and 19th. Information was sent to each service including email for Chris Pribek to register.

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting of the EMS Council is scheduled for Thursday, November 2nd, 6:00 pm. Meeting will be both in-person at the Ashland Fire/EMS Training Room and virtual via zoom.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Jeff Bellile, seconded by Chris Pribek, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

IN ATTENDANCE

Jeff Bellile	Washburn
Sherry Carlson	Washburn
Steve Cordes	Mason
Brett Frierhood (V)	Barnes
Erin Geraghty	
Laurie Gucinski (V)	South Shore
Mark Hill	AL PSAP / Glidden
Tam Hofman	South Shore / APIS
Matt Jakubik (V)	North Air
Doug Jennings (V)	MMC
Don Kimlicka (V)	WI DHS/EMS
Scott Kluver (V)	Washburn Admin
Alexis Kontny (V)	Mason
Anthony Lang (V)	Great Divide
Stuart Matthias	Ashland
Chris Pribek	Ashland
Rob Puls (V)	Great Divide
Meagan Quaderer	BAEM
Maria Renz (V)	BAEM
Jamie Trembl (V)	Butternut
Jan Victorson	Iron River
Gwen Watson (V)	Mellen
Ty Wiegman (V)	LifeLinkIII