

12/5/24 BAC EMS meeting

Hybrid meeting: Virtual

In-Person (Ashland Fire Hall)

Tam H.
Dr. Jon S. - Medical Director
Tara K. - Tamarack Health
Mike - North Air
Stuart M. – Ashland Fire
Gwen W. – Mellan
Jeff B. - SSAA
SSchram –

Ted G. – Washburn
Don K. – Regional EMS
Tom R. – NWT
Jamie – Butternut
Alex K. – Mason
Laurie G. – SSAA
Kurt B. -
Steve C. Mason

Chris P.- Ashland Fire
Ashland E M

6:05 p.m. Tam called the meeting to order

Min. No Report

Fin. Report – reviewed by Steve See report

Medical Director – Dr. Schultz Working with Ashland Paramedics on ALS protocols

Regional EMS Coordinator - Don K. FAP closed Nov. 5. Only 497 services applied out of 850. All 497 services will get their money. (End of Dec. 2024 or Jan. 2025) Base includes 10 grand, about 25 hundred education, Per/cap has changed from .03cents to about \$3.00 per/cap.

Scope of Practice Changes coming at the paramedic level adding TEMPRA

Changes at the EMT/EMR levels with Pt. meds and Online Medical Control

Revised protocols coming by March 31, 2025

AMC – Tara Reported some computer/server issues with sending secure e-mails with feedback and trauma reviews. Tara discussed other options on how to get feedback & trauma review to the services of both Ashland and Bayfield Co.

Including writing a message on the white board in the ambulance garage when a service has an envelope with feedback/trauma review.

Having a mailbox for each service in a secure location – Possibility in the new Med Room

Having a sign out sheet to be signed when a service picks up an envelope with feedback/trauma review

Discussion followed. It was agreed to give it a try. This was Lance's job in the past but is now part of Tara's job.

HEMS – Mike (North Air) A big Thank You to ground transport. Due to the weather ground transport had to be used. Nothing else to report. No questions from the group.

NWWIHERC – No report

RTAC – No report

Public Health – No report

Emergency Management Bayfield Co.- No report

Ashland Co. – Halloween Outreach Event; Due to weather only Washburn had their event. A “Winter Safety Program” will be offered at the Ashland High School next week Tuesday, December 10 for all students of driving age. This event will include the Hwy Dept. and Emergency Management with 3 stations for the students to learn more about winter driving and proper indicate around snowplows. Melan and other area schools are interested in this event. This event maybe expanded.

PSAP – No report Stuart made a plea for EMS folks to show their support to Jamie (the new director) to the PSAP board. The board is made up of 2 Ashland and Bayfield Co. Sheriffs, 2 Ashland and Bayfield County board presidents and 2 board members. No EMS reps. Stuart is no longer welcome at these meetings.

It was also stated that the changeover will take place Dec. 17.

NWT – Tom R. Reported some EMT classes are just finishing up for the year. New EMT class registration is available for 2025. Anyone interested in signing up for upcoming EMT and/or EMR classes can do so and include Tamara Health Grant on the application to have their tuition paid for. The Tamarack Health Grant covers only tuition (not books) for Ashland Co. and Bayfield Co. EMT and EMR classes and refresher classes.

An online option for EMT refresher class is being prepared by Tom and some instructors. This option should be up and running by mid-January 2025. This class option is to be completed with-in the Northwoods Tech term.

OTHER BUSINESS - Stuart asked service directors to check their payment records. Ashland paramedics have down 271 intercepts with Ashland and Bayfield Counties but, has only been paid for 5 intercepts. The Aging Report has pt. name not the service name. Ashland has outstanding intercept invoices for 2020, 2021, 2022, & 2023. Discussion followed. Other services are also having issues with payment. Life Quest was taken over by another company 2 years ago. The actual transfer occurred in April 2024.

Next Meeting – Due to the low in-person attendance discussion on virtual meetings followed. Jeff made a motion to have the next two meetings January 2025 and February 2025 to be only virtual meetings. 2nd motion by Ted. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Ted 2nd motion by Mike. Motion carried