

Bayfield-Ashland Counties
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL
MEETINGMINUTES
October 3, 2024

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

Motion made by Chris Pribek, seconded by Mike Zolik, to accept the minutes of the September meeting. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL

The financial report was included with the agenda. A balance of \$12,467.55 was reported.

Motion made by Chris Pribek, seconded by Ted Gostomski, to accept the financial report. Motion carried.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Current officers are as follows:

- President: Tam Hofman
- Vice-President: Lyn Cornelius
- Secretary: Jan Victorson
- Treasurer: Steve Cordes

Motion made by Chris Pribek, seconded by Ted Gostomski to re-elect the incumbent officers. Motion carried.

STATE EMS OFFICE – Don Kimlicka reported.

- FAP (Funding Assistance Program) – all licenses agencies may apply for FAP. A base amount per service of \$10,000 as been established with additional funding based upon population available. This first year there is no expense form required. Checks will be sent directly to the service
- Curriculum content has been approved with no release of hours.
- Those in service leadership must update any changes in e-licensing.
- Recommendation is being considered to develop a new level – first aid responder with eight-hour first aid course training required.
- Any questions contact Don at Donald.kimlicka@dhs.wisconsin.gov.

NORTHWOOD TECH – No report.

ASHLAND MEDICAL CENTER – No report.

HEMS

- North – Mike Zolik reported that all is good. September has been great for flights. Contact if need education and/or fly in.

NWWI HERC – Reminder to check the website for training scholarship information

RTAC – Next meeting September 24th. [Meeting postponed until Tuesday November 5th.]

EMS NEWS RELEASE – Under development. Ideas include an educational piece, improve providing service to communities, collaborative, vision for the future, etc. Please forward thoughts/ideas to Meagan.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REQUEST – Emergency Management is requesting \$1500 to purchase educational supplies for Halloween efforts related to seasonal safety. *Motion made by Steve Cordes, seconded by Chris Pribek, to donate \$1500 to emergency management for Halloween activities and educational supplies. Motion carried.*

PSAP – A December cutover is planned to be a joint dispatch center. Still awaiting resolve of some logistical issues. Jaime Moore is working on policies and procedures.

OFFICE OF RURAL HEALTH – James Small explained curriculum changes as necessary as Wisconsin is 15 years behind. What will EMS look like in the future? Develop reliable and sustainable strategies, address funding issues at the local government level and training for next leaders.

501.c.3 – Maria Renz is checking on process for change to the Council having a 501.c.3 designation. Discussion.

BA AD HOC COMMITTEE – A listening session has been scheduled for Friday, October 11th virtually or in the County Board Room. All are encouraged to come, share and listen to ideas of ways to support existing and sustain for the future.

NEXT MEETING – The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 7th at 1800 hours – Ashland Fire Department and virtual via zoom.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Chris Pribek, seconded by Mike Zolik to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

IN ATTENDANCE

Steve Cordes (V)	Mason
Christina Dzwonkowski (V)	ALEM
Ted Gostomaki (V)	Washburn
Laurie Gucinski (V)	South Shore
Tam Hofman	South Shore/APIS
Don Kimlicka (V)	WI DHS/EMS
Alexys Kontny (V)	Mason
Stuart Matthias (V)	Ashland
Jaime Moore (V)	AL/BA PSAP
Chris Pribek	Ashland
Rob Puls (V)	Great Divide
Meagan Quaderer (V)	BAEM
Joe Schick (V)	Mason
Sarah Schram (V)	Madeline Island
James Small (V)	Office/Rural Health
Jamie Trembl (V)	Butternut
Jan Victorson	Iron River
Mike Zolik (V)	North Air