

Bayfield-Ashland Counties
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
July 10, 2025

CALL TO ORDER – The meeting of the Bayfield-Ashland Counties EMS Council was called to order by Tam Hofman, President of the Council. The meeting was held at the Ashland Fire Department Training Room with a virtual zoom option.

MINUTES

Motion made by Ted Gostomski, seconded by Brett Frierhood, to accept the minutes as presented.

Motion carried.

FINANCIAL

The financial report was reviewed.

Motion made by Ted Gostomski, seconded by Joe Schick, to accept the financial report. Motion carried.

HEMS

North – Mike Zolik reported that all is good.

- They are available for landing zone training as well as other education.
- Questions about LZ safety checks contact Mike.
- A question about recent LZ request to use MARC 4 to be researched.
- CAD question will be kept on the radar for future with AL/BA PSAP.

NWWI HERC – Nothing new.

RTAC – EMS Directors report they are still not receiving emails directly from RTAC. Jan will work with Bryan to update list and resubmit to RTAC Coordinator Rob Goodland.

AL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – Christina Dzwonkowski asked if the Council would be planning a September dinner.

Motion by Brett Frierhood, seconded by Ted Gostomski, provide \$1500 as a contingency for dinner sponsorship as needed. Motion carried.

BA EMS COORDINATOR – Welcome to Bryan Zieman.

- Thank you to those who have shared time and information.
- “Apathy is the enemy”.
- BA 2025 Staffing grant - \$20,000 to each service serving Bayfield County to retain and/or train people. A formal application is being

developed to assure funding is supplemental and not replacement for local budgets.

- 2026 county budget proposal will continue request for ongoing funding.
- Innovation Grant – to improve efficiency and cost savings.
 - Agreement with Mission Critical ready
 - Identify potential cost savings
 - Validate future grant funding
- 2026 county budget to be submitted in August. Planning for seed monies for projects.
- BA EMS Directors meeting scheduled for July 20th. James Small of the Office of Rural Health will facilitate.
- Medical Direction – will be meeting with current medical director, Jonathan Shultz, and discussing potential resources.
- What does the EMS community need from Bryan? How can he best serve?

Question related to potential PILT (Payment in lieu of taxes) for three county apartment buildings representing 30% of Washburn Ambulance calls.

COUNCIL MISSION – Discussion about missed opportunities to share information, discuss issues, etc. among EMS providers at meetings.

- Identify commonalities
- Share data, statistics, educational resources.
- Recent ambulance inspections by DOT required {for some} a letter from medical director related to approved medications. Bryan will work on providing to all.
- Question related to draw-up glucagon. Difference in packaging, not dosing, complies with protocols.
- Sources of medication (local pharmacy, Bound Tree) shared.

PSAP – The joint Ashland (AL) and Bayfield (BA) counties PSAP is working through the CAD switchover. It is going very well.

Fire and EMS may be able to use in the future.

FIRST RESPONDER PICNIC – August 3rd at Maslowski Beach, 12 to 3.

NEXT MEETING – Scheduled for August 7th Meeting will be held remotely with in person attendance at the Ashland Fire Training Room.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Ted Gostomski, seconded by Jeff Byerhof to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

IN ATTENDANCE

Roger Branham	Bayfield
Jeff Byerhof	South Shore
Christina Dzwonkowski	ALEM
Brett Frierhood	Barnes
Ted Gostomski	Washburn
Laurie Gucinski	South Shore
Tam Hofman	South Shore/APIS
Anthony Lang	Great Divide
Stuart Matthias	Ashland Fire
Meagan Quaderer	BAEM and ALBA PSAP
Joe Schick	Mason
Sarah Schram	Madeline Island
Jamie Trembl	Butternut
Jan Victorson	Iron River
Bryan Zieman	BA EMS Coordinator
Mike Zolik	North Air

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