

# WALLA WALLA COUNTY EMS & TRAUMA CARE COUNCIL

August 2, 2018 6:00 PM

## WWPD CHUCK FULTON COMMUNITY ROOM

### MINUTES OF MEETING

**Liz Jessee called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm in the Fulton Room @ WWPD**

**INTRODUCTIONS:** Everyone introduced themselves and the agency represented.

**PRESENT:** Patty Courson, Bill Dunham, Jodi Ferguson, Steve Hoffman, Liz Jessee, Brian Jones, Heather Lee, Justin Lessard, Rob Nelson, Melissa Rodriguez, Dr. Thomas Underhill, Alyssa Wells, and Neosha Zabel-Guse

**EXCUSED:** Todd Kimball, Nancy McClenny-Walters, David Winter, Erin Davis, David DeVere, Charlie Drury, Randy Hinchliffe, Darren Goble, Jim Ruffcorn, and Todd Reiswig

**ABSENT:** Brian Callahan, Jim Estep, Mitch King, Kevin Kromm, Alysa Kyle, Susan Leathers, Patti Loney, Brad Morris, Jim Romine, and Dennis Waters

**GUEST:**

NONE

**MINUTES OF MEETING:**

Minutes Approved

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

\$23,829.80 all bills paid.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

NONE

**MPD REPORT:**

Dr. Underhill reported –

- He submitted his letter of resignation as MPD on Monday. He would like to be done by November 1, 2018, however if a new MPD cannot be chosen by then he will serve as MPD until the end of 2018. He will not be taking an active role in choosing his replacement. He is grateful to have served for the past 12 years.

**EMS DIRECTOR:**

Heather Lee reported –

- The AHA Training Site is now fully up and running. Many thanks to Patty Courson and Rob Nelson for all their help.
- The EMS Levy Subcommittee will be meeting every other week until a solution is reached.
- I have spoken with Catie Holstein at the Department of Health, regarding the process of replacing our MPD. Catie said the process will take approximately 90 days, as the position must be posted for 30 days. She said it is possible that we will have an MPD from another county take on the duties for Walla Walla

County. DOH has been looking at utilizing MPDs to take on multiple counties, as it is getting harder to find physicians willing to step into that role. If Dr. Underhill wants to be done by November 1<sup>st</sup> we'll need to consider having a special meeting in September to accommodate the timeline. Rob asked if the process has changed or if the EMS Council will make a recommendation? The process hasn't changed DOH is just following the WAC and the EMS Council will make a recommendation to DOH; however, the ultimate decision will be made by DOH. Currently Catie is planning on attending our October meeting so please plan on attending so she can answer your questions and you can learn more about the process.

**REGIONAL:**

NONE – July meeting was cancelled.

**LIFELIGHT:**

NONE

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:**

Liz Jessee reported –

- Emergency Management is in the process of finalizing the Hazard Mitigation Plan.

**TRAINING:**

Melissa Rodriguez reported-

- WWCC currently has 29 applicants for EMT class, with 13 of those being fire science applicants. We anticipate more fire science students, as we are currently doing a lot of advertising for the program. We will be capping at 20 students for EMT class. EMT students will be given priority based on fire science enrollment, then affiliated personnel, individuals that that applied for the Spring class, and then everyone else. She shared an article that came out in the Union Bulletin regarding the fire science program at WWCC.

**TRAFFIC SAFETY:**

Heather Lee reported –

- Traffic Safety will have a booth at National Night Out on August 7, 2018 from 5:00 7:30 PM.
- August 16 – 9 am to 11 am Bikes on the Road event at Preston Hall in Waitsburg. Volunteers are welcome.
- August 23 – Bikes on the Road at Menlo Park 5:00 to 7:30 pm. Volunteers needed.
- September 8 – Superhero Run – Runners and Volunteers needed – 9am Millcreek Walking Path (flyer attached)
- Sept. 17 – Bikes on the Road 4pm to 6pm at Farm Labor Camp

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH:**

Jodi Ferguson reported-

- Community health has issued a health warning for poor air quality, due to wildfires in the area.
- They will also have several booths at National Night Out.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

NONE

**NEW BUSINESS:**

NONE

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Rob Nelson reported-

- ACLS training will be hosted by the City on November 26<sup>th</sup> or 27<sup>th</sup>.
- CISM training is scheduled for 19<sup>th</sup> -21<sup>st</sup> of September registration deadline is next week.

**MEETING ADJOURNMENT**

Liz Jessee adjourned meeting at 6:37 PM.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be **Thursday, October 4, 2018 @ 6:00 p.m.** @ WWPD Fulton Room

Respectfully submitted,

*Alyssa Wells*

*Secretary – EMS Council*