

WALLA WALLA COUNTY EMS & TRAUMA CARE COUNCIL

August 6, 2020 6:00 PM

Online Zoom Meeting

MINUTES OF MEETING

Kevin Kromm called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm in the Online Zoom Meeting.

INTRODUCTIONS: Everyone introduced themselves and the agency represented.

PRESENT: Sharon Brooks, Patty Courson, Jodi Ferguson, Darren Goble, Liz Jessee, Kevin Kromm, Heather Lee, Justin Lessard, Dr. Neace, Rob Nelson, Todd Reiswig, Alyssa Wells, Zita Wiltgen, Erin Whitney, and Neosha Zabel-Guse

EXCUSED

ABSENT: Justin Destito, Charlie Drury, Jim Estep, Deb Fortner, Randy Hinchliffe, Kate Hockersmith, Kris Kerr, Mitch King, Alyssa Kyle, Susan Leathers, Casey Potts, Jim Ruffcorn, Dennis Waters, and Jodi Worden

GUEST:

MINUTES OF MEETING:

Minutes Approved

TREASURER'S REPORT:

\$24,676.99 all bills paid.

CORRESPONDENCE:

NONE

MPD REPORT:

Dr. Neace reported –

- Attended Trauma Meeting at PSMCMC last night. Reminder to call for trauma activation if the criteria for traumas are met.

EMS DIRECTOR:

Heather Lee reported –

- Training grant for 20-21 was submitted and approved.
- IV Tech course completed in Columbia County. Waiting for DOH certification.
- CPFD and WWFD#5 online EMT course has been completed. SO far one of the 4 has completed certifications other 3 are working on it.
- Fall EMT has been moved to Winter quarter to coordinate with the fire science courses.
- PPE has been coming in from the State. We have a stockpile in our office. Please let us know what your needs are, and we will get them filled.
- The ALS Protocols has been sent to DOH. With the COVID added duties it has slowed the process down.
- Our office is doing "COVID" reports to mitigate risk of exposure. We are sending out reports to the agencies to notify of pending or positive cases they may have had contact with.

- DOH has put together a group looking at Crisis Standards of Care. They will look at events that could overwhelm resources in hopes of to provide strategies for EMS.
- Brad Morris is slated to retire. His position will be vacant on the EMS Regional Council. Eric Wood's application will be submitted to fill his seat on the Council.
- Providence sent an email out invited frontline EMS workers to participate in an Antibody study. Your Chief has the details if you are interested in participating.

REGIONAL

Zita Wiltgen reported –

- We did a SWAT analysis of our Q&I process.

Heather Lee reported –

- She will be sending out WEMSIS data request forms. They need to be signed and sent back to her.

LIFEFLIGHT:

Erin Whitney reported –

- An active base will be up and running by October, in Walla Walla.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:

Liz Jessee reported – Actively working the COVID-19 response as PIO. We are also ordering PPE through the state for first responders.

TRAINING:

NONE

TRAFFIC SAFETY:

Jodi Ferguson reported-

- Superhero Run – virtual. More information to follow.
- Not sure if Sept 9th Victim Impact Panel will happen. The past couple have been cancelled due to COVID-19

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH:

Jodi Ferguson reported-

- The Dept of Comm Health has about 2500 test kits on hand that are share with our long-term-care community partners.

OLD BUSINESS:

NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

Heather Lee reported –

- Elections in Feb placed Bill Dunham as vice chair. He has since retired. We need to fill his position. Rob Nelson volunteered. He was unanimously approved.
- What does OTEP moving forward with COVID-19 restrictions in place look like? The consensus was that the online OTEP using Zoom would be the best option. This will be added to the training Grant for 2021. Kevin Kromm will need to sign it so it can be sent to Zita.
- EMS Week award flags for service were given to Walla Walla Fire, Emily Downs with CFPD, Cody Maine with WWFD, Nat Small with WWPD,

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Rob Nelson reported –

- ACLS class will be held in November. Dates are TBD.
- PALS class will be held in the beginning March.
- Proposed purchase of humerus IO trainer by EMS Council. Unanimously in favor.
- FYI the Ambulance entrance in to PSMC is a one-way system with entry from Poplar St. and exit onto Willow. The awning area will be a non-idle zone as well.
- He proposed that we make a list of the new changes to the protocols and distribute them. Then in a couple weeks after, require a protocol test. Todd, Rob, and Justin will be working on developing the test, with completion by Sept 1st.

Heather Lee reported –

- All Patients get a mask!

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Kevin Kromm adjourned meeting at 7:18 PM.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be **Thursday, October 1, 2020 @ 6:00 p.m.** Zoom meeting online.

Respectfully submitted,

Alyssa Wells, Secretary