

WALLA WALLA COUNTY EMS & TRAUMA CARE COUNCIL

December 3, 2020 6:00 PM

Online Zoom Meeting

MINUTES OF MEETING

Kevin Kromm called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm in the Online Zoom Meeting.

INTRODUCTIONS: Roll call was taken.

PRESENT: Sharon Brooks, Patty Courson, Jodi Ferguson, Deb Fortner, Darren Goble, Don Groat, Steve Hoffman, Liz Jessee, Brian Jones, Todd Kimball, Kevin Kromm, Susan Leathers, Heather Lee, Justin Lessard, Michael Moynihan, Dr. Lewis Neace, Rob Nelson, Todd Reiswig, Alyssa Wells, Zita Wiltgen, Erin Whitney, and Neosha Zabel-Guse

EXCUSED: Dr. Michael Minckler, and Brad Morris

ABSENT: Angelica Can, Randy Charles, Mark Crider, Justin Destito, Charlie Drury, Jim Estep, Ruben Hernandez, Randy Hinchliffe, Kate Hockersmith, Kris Kerr, Mitch King, Joe Klundt, Alyssa Kyle, Casey Potts, Patrick Purcell, Jim Ruffcorn, Dennis Waters, and Jodi Worden

GUEST: Zita Wiltgen

MINUTES OF MEETING:

Minutes Approved

TREASURER'S REPORT:

\$24,273.18 all bills paid.

CORRESPONDENCE:

NONE

MPD REPORT:

Dr. Lewis Neace reported-

- COVID testing is now available for Walla Walla County first responders locally. The rapid testing is available at Providence Urgent Care drive-up and Providence Express care in College Place.
- QA will be held via Zoom next Friday December 11th @ 9:00 am.

EMS DIRECTOR:

Heather Lee reported –

- We now have COVID testing available in the EMS office, for EMS providers to self-administer.
- PSMMC is providing rapid testing for all first responders. She sent an email to all chiefs and department heads outlining the way to do so. Agency ID is required.

- Trauma response area maps for the regional plan need to be updated. You will be receiving another email. If no other response is received, we will be moving forward with a committee made up of those who have responded.
- We also need to update our County Operating Procedures. A Committee was put together to review the procedures. (Dr. Neace, Todd Reiswig, Rob Nelson, Darren Goble, and Todd Kimball)
- The OTEP has resumed in person and via Zoom.
- EMT class will start January 4, 2021. The class will be a hybrid of in person and online learning using the JB learning online platform.
- The ALS protocols are still at DOH and have not been approved.
- The WAC is being developed regarding WEMSIS reporting. Heather will send out an email with the details. Your input is needed.

REGIONAL:

Zit Wiltgen reported –

- The Region is eligible for the EMS for children grant. It is for \$8,400.00. It must be used by the March 25, 2021. Rob Nelson suggested using it for pediatric classes happening in March. Todd Reiswig suggested purchasing the Zoll SPO2 probes for the peds. Heather will send out an email to all agencies asking for their input.

LIFELIGHT:

Erin Whitney reported-

- We are now at the Walla Walla Airport 24/7.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:

Liz Jessee reported –

- EM is continuing to distribute PPE to county health care providers.
- Liz and Heather are still providing PIO duties for the county COVID event.

TRAINING:

NONE

TRAFFIC SAFETY:

NONE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH:

Jodi Ferguson reported –

- We have 600 PCR kits on hand and 320 of the Binex Now cards for the community.
- Current COVID case count of 2388, 21 deaths, 360 active cases.
- A Flu vaccination clinic was held at First Fruits yesterday

OLD BUSINESS:

Rob Nelson reported-

- ACLS class for November was postponed. It is yet to be rescheduled.

Heather Lee reported-

- She has not yet contacted WWCC to see if they are willing to take on the AHA training site.

NEW BUSINESS:

Kevin Kromm asked-

- Is the COVID vaccine mandatory? Susan Leathers replied it is not. The vaccine will be available to EMS providers as early as next week. Stay tuned for more information to follow.

Rob Nelson reported-

- City of Walla Walla just purchased and new ambulance that will be in service tomorrow.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

MEETING ADJOURNMENT:

Kevin Kromm adjourned meeting at 6:58 PM.

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be **Thursday, February 4, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m.** Zoom meeting online.

Respectfully submitted,

Alyssa Wells, Secretary