

SHEBOYGAN COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL MINUTES

Sheboygan County Law Enforcement Center
 West Conference Room / Google Meet
 525 N 6th Street, Sheboygan, Wisconsin 53081
 Google Meet Link: <https://meet.google.com/eyr-pshk-xnk?authuser=0>

February 21, 2024	Called to Order: 6:04 PM	Adjourned: 7:28 PM
MEMBERS PRESENT	NAME	REPRESENTING
West Conference Room	Suzanne Martens	County Medical Association
West Conference Room	Tom Bahr	Member at Large
West Conference Room	Daniel Althaus	Private Ambulance Services
West Conference Room	Pat Depies	Rescue Services
Google Meet	Bob Kuhlhanek	Consumers Interested
West Conference Room	Samantha Sejut	County Law Enforcement
West Conference Room	Tom Hass	Emergency Medical Responders
West Conference Room	Roberta Filicky-Peneski	City Government
West Conference Room	Steven Steinhardt	Emergency Management
Google Meet	Randy Narbatovics	Town Government
Google Meet	Wendy Schobert	County Board
West Conference Room	Tyler Wuestenhagen	County Fire
Google Meet	Joel Urmanski	County Bar Association
West Conference Room	Mike Lubbert	Sheboygan Fire Department
Google Meet	Mike Meeusen	City Law Enforcement
Google Meet	Nick Broetzman	Private Ambulance
Google Meet	Erin McGlynn	Advocate Aurora EMS
MEMBERS ABSENT	NAME	REPRESENTING
	Courtney Loebel	Hospital Administration
	Doug Sherpereel	Private Industry
	VACANT	Village Government
	Craig Schicker	Nursing Representative
	Steven Zils	Medical Society
ALSO PRESENT	NAME:	REPRESENTING:
Google Meet	Rick Boeshaar	Aurora EMS
West Conference Room	DiAnna DuPuis	Emergency Management AA

CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS - Suzanne M. called the meeting to order at 6:04 PM. Attendance was taken via Conference Room and Google Meet attendees.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH WISCONSIN OPEN MEETING LAW – Suzanne M. stated the meeting agenda was posted on Thursday, February 15th, 2024, at 11:45 AM, and is in compliance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 15TH, 2023 MEETING – Motion to approve by Tom B., Second by Roberta. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE – Steve commented today he received the National Guideline for Field Triage from Suzanne. This will be added to the EMS Plan.

PUBLIC COMMENT – No comment.

OLD BUSINESS

EMERGENCY MEDICAL DISPATCH UPDATE AND DISCUSSION – Samantha commented that Dispatch is almost fully staffed with 20 full time; 2 in the later stage of training; and 1 applicant. Compliance numbers have been steadily getting better over the last year, staying consistent, so 2024 is hopeful for receiving accreditation.

UPDATE ON FIRE AND EMS STUDY IN SHEBOYGAN COUNTY – Steve stated the committee developed the RFP and received two proposals from consultant agencies. The agencies will be asked to attend a committee question and answer session to receive specific information on their study. The approximate \$50,000 budget to fund the study will be reviewed by Law Committee on March 6th, 2024.

UPDATE FROM SHEBOYGAN FALLS EMERGENCY MEDICAL RESPONDERS CEASING RESPONSE TO ALPHA CALLS – Steve commented that Calvin K., City of Sheboygan Falls Fire Department Assistant Chief, stated they did not have an Alpha call since the beginning of January 2024, and the change of not responding to Alpha calls has not had a negative impact within the community. Follow up will continue to assess any changes regarding not responding to Alpha calls.

NEW BUSINESS

NOMINATION COMMITTEE REPORT – Mike Lubbert/Bob Kulhanek
Mike sent emails to the council and all will remain in their respective positions.

ELECTION OF OFFICER FOR 2024 – Motion by Bob to appoint Suzanne Marten as EMS Council Chair. Seconded by Roberta. Motion carried. Motion by Bob to appoint Tom Bahr as EMS Council Vice-Chair. Seconded by Roberta. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENT BY CHAIR TO STANDING COMMITTEE

Legislative Committee – Joel Urmanski

EMS Plans and Goals Committee – Tom Bahr, Steve Steinhart, Bob Kulhanek, and Daniel Althaus

Nominating Committee – Bob Kulhanek, Mike Lubbert

Quality of Care Committee – Suzanne Martens, Mike Lubbert, Erin McGlynn, Daniel Althaus, Tom Haas

REVIEW AND ACTION ON THE 2023 EMS COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT – Tom B. reviewed the 2023 council meetings and summarized all into this report, which will be forwarded to the Law Committee. Motion by Tom B. to approve the annual report. Seconded by Mike. Motion carried.

REVIEW AND ACTION ON THE UPDATES TO THE EMS PLAN – Steve went over changes to the EMS Plan with the council, which will be sent to the Law Committee for approval. Steve commented for the Village Government vacancy on the Council, he contacted Steve Green who is a first responder and on the Cascade Village Board. Courtney Loebel was asked to fill the Hospital Administration vacancy. Motion by Tom B. to submit the amended EMS Plan to Law Committee. Seconded by Tom H. Motion carried.

REVIEW OF UPDATE TO SHEBOYGAN COUNTY ORDINANCES CHAPTER 12 – Suzanne noticed in Chapter 12 the EMS Council is listed as County Medical Society Licensed Medical Provider when it was originally formed, and no longer exists. There was conversation on changing this to possibly Physician with EMS Specialty.

PRESENTATION BY ORANGE CROSS AMBULANCE REGARDING A TIERED RESPONSE PLAN – Dan gave his presentation on this plan.

EMS QUALITY ASSURANCE SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT – Suzanne presented the 2023 Cardiac Arrest Data based on Orange Cross Ambulance responses in Biospatial.

EMS LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT – This was not given due to Joel excusing himself earlier in the meeting.

REPORT ON SHEBOYGAN COUNTY EMS ASSOCIATION MEETING OF FEBRUARY 2024 - Tom H. commented the 2024 scopes have not been posted, and has been told there are minimal changes. There was talk that first responders should always act in a professional manner due to people with cell phones taking video. Reference the Colorado case where two paramedics are now being convicted of criminally negligent homicide.

ADJOURNMENT - Motion by Steve to adjourn. Seconded by Tom H. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:28 PM.

The next EMS Council meeting will be held Wednesday, May 15, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in the West Conference Room at the Sheboygan County Law Enforcement Center, or via Google Meet.

Respectfully submitted,
Steve Steinhardt, Recording Secretary