

Minutes for Whitman County EMS Trauma Council July 12, 2018

Members present: Jamie – Whitcom, Angela – Albion, Cliff – Tekoa, Sherma – Tekoa, Alex – ARF, Scott – VFI, Brenda – Colton/Uniontown EMS, Dr. Lightfoot – MPD, Dr. Mikkelsen – PRH, Tim – Colfax Fire, and Holly – St John.

Meeting called to order 18:36

Prior Minutes: Postponed until next meeting

Treasurers Report: 8077.61 Savings and 63.13 Checking

North Fire Update – Equipment in for it. Supposed to ‘go live’ Monday. There will be a TAC channel for each frequency eventually. Scott and Cliff discussed further.

Alex – Discussion on how radio changes will affect the airport. Suggested getting in contact with Bill Tensfeld.

MPD: As of July 1 Cliff Lightfoot is the MPD. Pete will still try to hit meetings and rounds. Paperwork needing approved can be sent to Dr. Lightfoot at Cliff.Lightfoot@pullmanregional.org. He has access to WEMSIS. Scott will work with Dr. Lightfoot to help get things set up.

- State MPD meeting is in June. In 2019 it will be mandatory for EMS providers to get a 4 hour training on Disabilities Module ~ No Reimbursement or funding for training ~ maybe on line. Providers will only be required to attend the training once.
- State starting to realign with National Standards. WA isn't far off. Scott brought up 1st Line Cardiac Drugs – that may be coming down the road. Currently nothing specific in the works.
- Hot Topic – Community Para-Medicine. Rural Intergraded health system is being tried to assist with in-home medicine. Spokane is currently testing it.
- Brenda D – presented a letter on call that occurred down in FD14 where there was a delay in transporting a patient due to EMS Providers being told to stay on scene. Dr. Lightfoot is aware of the situation. Use the ‘bat phone’ in situations like this or if there is ever a question regarding patient care.
- Sherma – along the same lines, on a call with Law Enforcement and the officer said he would come to the hospital and didn't.
- Sherma – discussed mental patients wanting to go to Spokane vs Whitman Hospital. Case by case basis.

New Business:

Fair – schedule and sign up are out – email Jamie with questions

SEI information will come out (likely after fair sometime).

Sherma – Discussed last three members that took EMT Class were getting advance questions on their tests.

Brenda –Initiated discussion about possibility of a county wide training since we don't get PHTLS. Agency mix-up discussed as helpful.

Field Amputation Kit in the works to keep at Pullman ER.

Upcoming Training:

INHS EMT class in Fairfield - \$1618.00 is the approximate cost. They are wanting 1 volunteer per agency that sends a student. If INHS has to supply volunteers the cost will go up to students. Discussion about this money needing to stay in Whitman County if possible.

'Stop the Bleed' class can be taught by Brenda at any time.

Meeting Adjourned (unknown time)

Next EMS Council Meeting – September 19, 2018 – 630p – Colfax City Council Chambers