

Minutes for Whitman County EMS Trauma Council
September 10, 2020
Meeting held via Zoom

Members present: Whitcom - Jamie Keller (Pres.); Albion - Laban Molsee (Sec.); Colfax FD - Jacob Smith; Palouse - Terrie Teare, Marvin Pillers; Pullman - James Young; PUW-ARFF - Alex J Aegerter; Rosalia - Ron Willey, Bill Tensfeld, Laura Lautenslager; Steptoe - Jeff Kuhlmann, Jill Whitman; Tekoa - Sherma Tysz; WCFD #12 - Mirenda Stenbakken, Jessie McCleary; Guests - Andrew Chiavaras, Rob Schindler (Diamond)

Agencies missing representation: Endicott; Garfield; Lacrosse; Malden; Oaksdale; St. John; VFI; WCFD #14; WCFD #5

Meeting called to order 1805

Prior Minutes: Minutes from January 30, 2020 read and approved.

Treasurers report: No report available.

Emergency management:

- Radio fixes are ongoing.
- PPE is available to agencies in the county. Email Bill Tensfeld if your agency needs some.
- Bill has secured CARES Act money to pay for an EMT class. Details below (new business).

Whitcom:

- Request help early if know you don't have responders in town Fire or EMS.
- **Coroner** - Request in plain language vs asking for a number like P64.
 - Call dispatch if you would like to request as well.
- New dispatchers are getting trained and on online.

East region:

- Ron Wiley reported that Diamond now has EMS services.
 - **Motion** by Ron W: Add Dimond as member of EMS Council. Second Mirenda.
Passed

MPD: N/A

Committees:

- Protocols: Lates protocols have been approved by the State and are on the EMS Council's website: www.whitmancountyems.org

Old Business:

- Marv reported on the upcoming EMR class in Palouse.
 - Originally slated for Oct/Nov it has now been pushed back to Jan/Feb or Feb/Mar.
 - Email will be coming out when dates are set.
 - Will be 8 consecutive Saturday s.
 - Class limit will be 12, however Covid-19 guidelines may dictate smaller class.
 - Contact Marv or Annie for mor information or applications.

New Business:

- EMT Class in Rosalia
 - Class funded by CARES Act.
 - Will be taught by INHS.
 - Held at Rosalia High School to accommodate student distancing.
 - **Motion** by Marv to approve this class, Second James Young.
 - **Discussion:** Who can take the class? – Bill T. stated that students must be in Whitman county and sponsored by a Whitman county EMS agency.
 - **Passed**
 - Applications: Laura Lautenslager is the contact person. Contact the fire station 509-523-3151, Laura @ 509-288-1484. Email laural@rosaliafire.org
- An email was sent out last week by Jamie regarding Whitman Community Hospital ER. They are undergoing construction from 9/8/20 – 9/16/20.
 - Agencies need to come in the Main Hospital entrance and call in HEAR report via phone: 509 553 3014
- Jamie will be sending out an email with details about a Mental Health class that will be held by Zoom.
- Marv requested that even if we hold future meetings by Zoom that we stick to the approved schedule meeting dates. Jamie agreed, Next meeting will be Nov. 19th. Unsure at this time if it will be via Zoom or held at Colfax Council chambers.

Meeting adjourned 1845

Laban Molsee
Secretary

**Next EMS Council Meeting – Thursday, November 19, 2020
Colfax City Council Chambers (Location may change)**