

**Minutes for Whitman County EMS Trauma Council
November, 19, 2020**

Members present: MPD - Dr. Lightfoot; Whitcom - Jamie Keller (Pres.); Albion - Laban Molsee (Sec.), Jessie McCleary; Endicott - Keith Luft; Lacrosse - Bill Baker (VP); Palouse - Terrie Teare, Marvin Pillers, Annie Pillers; Pullman - James Young; PUW-ARFF - Alex J Aegerter; Rosalia - Bill Tensfeld, Laura Laughtenslager; Steptoe - Jeff Kuhlmann, Jill Whitman; Tekoa - Sherma Tysz; WCFD #14 - Brenda Dahmen (Treas.), Justin Becker; Guest - Scott Keller

Agencies missing representation: Colfax FD, Diamond EMS, Garfield, Malden, Oaksdale, St. John, VFI, WCFD #12, WCFD #5

Meeting called to order 1900, via ZOOM

Prior Minutes: No action.

Treasurers report: Checking: \$2136.15 Savings: \$11424.49

Emergency management: If you have need for PPE let Bill Tensfeld Know

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
- Please do not yell on the radio ~ very over modulating and makes it hard to hear.
- If Whitcom is asking for clarification on apparatus number it is probably due to radio traffic getting cut off.
- Please call or email supervisors@whitcom.org with any questions
- Changes to response plans now need to be confirmed by an email with Jamie @ jkeller@whitcom.org

East region: NA

MPD: Dr. Lightfoot –

- If have a Covid-19 exposure concern let Dr. Lightfoot know. Test will be performed through PRH.
 - Exposure definition per CDC. Close proximity for 15 minutes (in 24 hour period) without PPE protection. Let MPD know if you have had an exposure for 5 minutes or longer.
- Rumor has it that the State will be getting some Covid-19 vaccines soon to trial.
- PRH COVID-19 numbers have fluctuated. If the ED is at capacity it may cause the ED to go on divert. Whitcom will be notified.
- Dr Lightfoot would like to come out to EMS agencies and make contact with EMS providers. Please contact him to set up a time.

Old Business:

- Rosalia EMT class update: (Laura Laughtenslager) 21 students from various agencies across the county. Cost through INHS is approx. \$2000/student. Paid for by Emergency Management through CARES Act.
- Palouse EMR class: (Anne Pillers) Waiting on text book to come out. Intention is all Saturdays in February & March, skills on April Saturdays. Cost is \$350. Class limit will be 12. Contact Palouse EMS for further questions. Jamie will be emailing the application out when Annie gets it to her.
 - **Motion: Jeff, 2nd Lightfoot. Pass**
- Diamond's EMS license has come in.

New Business:

- Palouse has been using Honeywell 7700 series half face respirators. They have had good success. Cost is about \$50/person. Contact Marv if you have any questions.

Elections: Nominations

Vice President: Bill Baker

Treasure: Marv Pillers

Further Nominations may be emailed to Jamie. Vote will be at the January meeting via Zoom.

Agency Reports: Various agencies shared updates. Many agencies shared higher levels of calls than normal. Remain vigilant with precautions as Covid-19 continues.

Upcoming Training:

Announcements: *NA

Meeting adjourned 1937

Laban Molsee
Secretary

Next Meeting – 01/28/21 – 7 pm – Zoom Meeting