



STEVENS COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES and TRAUMA CARE COUNCIL

MINUTES -SEPTEMBER 18, 2001 MEETING

Bill Beusan called the meeting to order on Tuesday at 1909. The meeting was held at the 911 conference room in Colville. Introductions were made around the table, as there were several new faces at the meeting.

A copy of the First Responder field reporting form, which was approved by Dr. Artzis, was given to everyone.

Minutes were read, call for changes of the minutes. A motion was made by Sue Garcia and seconded by Gary Tucker. Minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's report –

- Treasurer reported a balance of \$5,381.91

Old Business-

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New Business

- The council has voted to maintain a website. The address will be stevenscoems@org please check it for minutes, links and any other information that you might like. Greg Chambers has volunteered to set up the website and provide some initial training for the maintenance and upkeep of the site. A motion to purchase a higher level of hosting and purchase the domain name for a period of ten years was voted on. Gary Tucker made the motion and Donnie Hopkins seconded it. All were in favor.
- The Council has received two applications for needs grants:
 - Stevens County Divers
 - Nordic Rescue
- Sue Garcia made a motion to accept the draft for the application – a copy will be sent with the minutes – Jack LeBret seconded the motion – calls for the question –

all were in favor – If any changes need to be made – bring them to the November meeting

These will be returned and the requestors asked to complete them according to the application form and resubmit them.

THE EMS COUNCIL WILL BE ACCEPTING GRANT REQUESTS TO BE REVIEWED AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING. IF YOU HAVE A REQUEST FOR A GRANT, PLEASE GET YOUR REQUEST TO BILL BEUSAN BY THE END OF OCTOBER FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE NOVEMBER COUNCIL MEETING.

- Elections were to be held this month. The nominations were are follows:

Bill Beusan	Chairperson
Gary Deaver	Vice Chairperson
Doug Elledge	Treasurer
Greg Chambers	Member at Large
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Bill Beusan	East Region Representative
Donnie Hopkins	East Region Alternate

Sue Garcia made a motion to accept the ballot as stated. No further nominations from the floor. Nominations were closed. A motion was called to accept. Dannie Hopkins called for the question – a vote was taken – all were in favor.

AGENCY REPORTS

911-

- **Debra McCanna is the newly appointed head of the Communications Center.**
- Dispatcher Arnie Walker left on other endeavors in August
- They have one of the newer dispatchers on their own/ 1 still in training and two prospects
- They are going to try a new working schedule – to have the dispatchers work every other weekend in hopes of making the job more appealing to newcomers
- They will soon be starting EMD 11

Fire District #1 – Phone #262-9660 --- Fax-262-9661

- Randy Allard is the new EMS contact and Mike Bryant is the trainer
- Things are just moving along
- Have purchased a new trailer for the strike team
- Station 7 (Springdale) is still coming along and when completed will be a 4 bay station with a meeting facility
- Bids opened last week for the Administration Office at Clayton
- Hoping to go ILS and have been working on the paperwork to do that
- Currently have 6 intermediate and 2 IV tech
- All stations currently have lifepack 300's

Deer Park Ambulance

- No representative

49" North

- They are in the middle of teaching 6-10 new patrollers for the fall season
- Received some older AED's
- Will be opening on schedule – weather permitting
- October 6th – Fund raising Downhill Bike race
- October 7th – Lions Club fund raiser

Barneys - Orient

- **Gary Tucker is the new representative for Barneys-Orient**
- They have responded to 2-3 fires in the last month and have had 6 medical calls
- Currently have 4-5 firefighters interested in taking a First Responders class

Addy Fire

- No representative

Nordic Rescue

- No rescues
- Valley and Springdale have received benefit of the bicycle helmets received and distributed by the Nordic Rescue group

Mt. Carmel Hospital

- No representative – Wanda had to work

Marble First Response

- They are still chugging along
- Currently have 3 people in the EMT class
- Have been gearing up for winter
- Have some possibilities for some grant funds
- 6-7 people have gone thru the CPR Instructor class

St. Joseph's Hospital

- Rich Kenny is the new director of nursing
- Currently have staffing in the Emergency Room evenings and weekends
- Have a 3rd Physician assistant on staff
- They received Critical Access approval in July – which means receiving more funding from Medicare
- Are collecting money for the Red Cross for the disaster in New York

Spokane Tribal Ambulance

- Have logged 260 calls this year resulting in 180 runs
- Keeping medial personnel on staff seems to be a problem
- Currently have 10 people on the roll with 4 carrying most of the load
- The Fire Chief position was terminated and Jack has picked up that load
- Recently traded Fire Dist. # 1 for two structure trucks
- Hoping to build a new facility housing fire and EMS next year – which will be a \$600,000 project
- Have acquired a Zodiac Rescue Boat and 6 cold water rescue suits

Stevens County Sheriff's Ambulance

- Have had 969 Turnouts
- Staffing continues to be a problem with their agency as well
- Currently running an EMT B class – will test the first week of December

Team Rescue

- They have had 17 turnouts
- The recently acquired vehicle is working out great and holds two more riders
- Tools purchased with grants funds are working out great also

CISM-

- Audie Dixon and Kitty Tobin are on standby to go to New York for assistance in debriefing
- Have had one debriefing since last meeting
- Currently do not have a coordinator

NPS

- Park Ranger duties are beginning to wind down. The Park Service is doing the security watches at Coulee Dam.
- Overall, they have been busy, but not with EMS calls
- Connie reports having the video tapes on the CPR class and is willing to lend them to anyone with a need for them

Chewelah Rural

- No representative

MPD

- Chewelah has been able to cover their shifts for the better part, despite the reorganization they have recently gone through and things are falling into place
- Dr. Artzis reports having a “save” at the hospital this past Sunday

Fire District #12 (Hunters area)

- Mile Slater is the temporary chief and Bob Schroder is the Commissioner
- Currently have 10 fire fighters in basic training
- They have no buildings to house the fire trucks during the winter months
- Have been donated some property for the building
- Area of response will be Kettle Falls to Hunters
- Connie Cox of the NPS said the park service would donate 10 fire shelters and some monies to help the fire district get started

REGIONAL REPORTS

There will be a training class for grant applications following the Regional Meeting on October 10, 2001. All agencies should have received the grant applications. If you would like Bill Beusan to pick up information for you, please let him know prior.

The East Region agreement needs to be signed and returned by October 4th. Local minutes need to be sent to East Region upon completion
East Region has requested a list of the officers and members
Data collection information is still being requested by East Region – this includes any calls from 1st response, transporting agencies and hospitals

The Epinephrine administration date has been extended

Sue Garcia made a motion to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Randy Allard.

NEXT MEETING WILL BE November 20th at 7:00 p.m. at the Chewelah Ambulance Building in Chewelah.

ATTENDANCE

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| 1. Sherry Fox | Secretary |
| 2. Doug Elledge | Nordic Rescue/Treasurer |
| 3. Bill Beusan | Stevens Co/Team Rescue/Chair |
| 4. Gary Deaver | 49 Degrees North |
| 5. Dannie Hopkins | Marble 1 st Response |
| 6. Debby McCanna | 911 Dispatch |
| 7. Sue Garcia | St. Joseph's |
| Hospital/CISM | |
| 8. Jack L Le Bret | Spokane Tribal Ambulance |
| 9. Connie Cox | National Park Service |
| 10. Sue Garcia | St. Joseph's |
| Hospital/CISM | |
| 11. Randy Allard | Stevens Co. Fire Dist. #1 |
| 12. Mike Slater | Stevens Co. Fire Dist. #12 |
| 13. Bob Schroder | Commissioner Fire Dist. #12 |
| 14. Gary Tucker | Stevens Co. #8/Ferry Co. #3 |
| 15. Greg Chambers | Stevens Co Ambulance |
| 16. Sam Artzis | MPD |

ATTACHMENTS:

GRANT APPLICATION FORM AND FORMAT FOR APPLICATION