

Plumas County Emergency Medical Care Committee

July 7 2018

Start: 1000

Attendance:

Darren Beatty-PDH	Larry Trotter - ARES
Mike Grant-PCSO	Linda McCurdy-Seneca-on phone
Shawn Poole-NorCal EMS – on phone	Melodie Bennett - PCPHA
Michael Sanchez-Sup. Dist. 1	Amy Burkhart – PHI Community Healthcare
Becky Grant-PCSO	Erin Cox – PHI Air Medical
Carson Wingfield-PCSO	Steve Waldeck - EPHC
Sam Blesse-Care Flight	Dan Spiess – NorCal EMS
Robbie Cassou-QFD	Lori Beatley - PCPHA
Bob Nelson-ARES	Sarah Richards - CHP
Matt Brown-Care Flight	Gary McNett – Indian Valley Ambulance
Tina Venable-PCPHA	
Tony Balbiani - IVFD	

Minutes approved: Mike Grant, Amy Burkhart 2nd, all approved

9 of 12 voting members present

Update from last meeting:

DCF- Looking to add position specific to rural dispatch; Adam, the Dispatch Director believes it is approved in the budget but the final budget has not come out yet.

EMS Mutual Aid (M.A.) Agreement:

Subcommittee was made up, met and decided what it should look like. The new NorCal policy was included with agreement. It defines “critical” and clinical timeframes that will help educate the ER personnel so that resources are being used to the best of the ability.

Motion to adopt: Care Flight, Tina Venable 2nd, adopted - 8 in favor, 0 opposed.

Chester Fire Protection District	Not present	
Peninsula Fire Protection District	Not present	
Indian Valley Ambulance Services Authority	Guy McNett	Yes
Plumas District Hospital Ambulance	Matt Brown	Yes
Eastern Plumas Healthcare Ambulance	Steve Waldeck	Yes
Seneca Healthcare District	Linda Mcurdy	Yes
Plumas District Hospital	Darren Beatty	Abstain
Eastern Plumas Healthcare	Not present	
Plumas County Fire Chiefs Association	Robbie Cassou	Yes
Plumas County Sheriff’s Office	Mike Grant	Yes
Plumas County Board of Supervisors	Michael Sanchez	Yes

Countywide Standard of Care - ALS and BLS service in Plumas County

Standard of care needs to be defined with the expectation of care for the residents of Plumas County from EMS. Begin to discuss what Plumas County wants for its residents and define the EMS system to BOS.

Erin Cox from PHI wanted to clarify that PHI is not going to be BLS, the proposed letter to Nor Cal EMS was a temporary solution due to staffing issues.

Action Item: Create subcommittee to create “singular voice” to be considered by EMCC. Subcommittee to meet between now and the October meeting to draft a presentation to take to the Board of Supervisors after motion is adopted by EMCC. Lori to send out Survey Monkey for members.

Review of Sheriff’s Office letter to air ambulance provider

Letter states that the Sheriff’s Office there has been unreasonable delays in acceptance of flight requests. The S.O. has adopted a protocol of a five minute response time to accept a flight request. If not accepted in that time frame the next flight crew will be contacted.

Motion to express support to the Sheriff: Tina Venable, Matt Brown 2nd, motion carries.

HeartSafe Community Update

June 4, 2018 was the second meeting. Currently finalizing structure and goals and going to make formal bylaws. Voting membership includes: PCSO, PCPHA, PDH, Quincy Fire, and Care Flight. A subaccount is going to be provided through the Fire Department so that funds can start being raised. An AED is needed at Safeway. There are plans to take over the maintenance of the AED’s in the community from Public Health.

Health Care Coalition (HCC) Update:

Mass Casualty Exercise is scheduled for April 28, 2018 at Portola High School.

Statewide Medical Healthcare Exercise is scheduled for November. It’s an infectious disease and pre-exposure/pre-planning scheduled for about a month before so that surveillance at hospitals happens before the round table.

Critical Incident Stress Management Training – September 11th -13th 2018 at the Fairgrounds.

Communications Drill – went really well. Contacted Seneca, PDH, EPHC, the clinic in Loyalton, and Lassen County.

PG&E High Fire Threat District

Pre-emptive shutdown of power lines when the conditions are just right. Services and resources will all be in chaos. Meeting with PG&E scheduled for 6/24/18.

Agency Reports:

CHP – Officer Richards has been promoted to Susanville, replacement starts 8/1/18.

PCPHA – Already discussed everything.

Indian Valley Fire Department – Working on modernization, helipad in Genesee Valley is a landing zone and they've given permission for use.

PHI – LUCAS device in service and was used once. Looking for recruitment; working a lot with Indian Valley Fire and used landing zone in Genesee.

NorCal – Provided medical procedures information of updated EMS protocols.

Amateur Radio – PDH, Seneca, and EPHC are getting new equipment. Will be able to monitor 2 frequencies at one time.

IVHCD – looking to consolidate with PDH; if consolidation happens, ground ambulance will have to be kept.

EPHC – Significant management change. New CNO starting 7/23/18.

Supervisor Sanchez – Thanks for the help with town hall meeting – went really well.

Fire – Tom Forester passed away recently, assistant Bill Robinson is interim. McCaffery in Beckworth retired – Don Biliss is covering as assistant. Eastern county might need to look at consolidation of resources. Long Valley still needs Fire Chief. Volunteerism is down and it makes things difficult.

SO Communications – Mt. Huff met-com repeater was replaced, Red Hill and Beckworth were also replaced. New tower going up on Radio Hill.

Dispatch – New and young staff, transfer with medical helicopters is going well, timings are good. Landing zone maps are being used to help dispatchers.

OES – In talks with all the trainings coming up.

Care Flight – High Sierra was uneventful outside of gates. Frank Carey is a new EMT, Plumas 4 is a newish ambulance, trainings are all up to date.

Next meeting: Discuss EMCC help get airports set up and more user friendly for air traffic, specifically medical in the winter.

Training Opportunities:

- Critical Incident Stress Management. Plumas Fairgrounds Sept 11-13, 2018. If interested contact Lori at loribeatley@countyofplumas.com

Next Meeting: October 3, 2018 – 1000 to 1200

Respectively submitted as a draft by:

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