

General Committee Meeting

Committee Members in Attendance:

Greg Macy, WCFD 1
Jerry DeBruin, WCFD 14
Jennifer Squire, SWFA
Mel Blankers, WCFD 1
Dawn Cannizzaro, WCFD 17
Steve Cohen, WCEMS
Ben Boyko, WCFD 7
Becky Stermer, PH
Scott Ryckman, BFD

John Granger, WCFD 11
Gary Baar, Treasurer
Jared Wilhite, Border Patrol
Mike Hilley, WCEMS
Steve Cohen, WCEMS
Rick Kowsky, Cascade Amb
Mike Hill, WCFD 8
Marc Davis, Lynden

CALL TO ORDER: 1st VP Jerry DeBruin called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Whatcom County EMS & Trauma Care Council, to order at 7:00 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: April 2021 minutes, stand as written

REPORTS:

Executive:

Land acknowledgement statement has been postponed until the October meeting.

Finance:

Checking: \$4,732

Savings: \$199,578

Investment Account: \$280,702

Education:

Q3 Scenarios have been sent out.

CPAP: holding off until closer to the end of the year.

Resuscitation Academy: A Hands-on Presentation will be done to make sure everyone is on the same page before it goes to the Education Committee.

CQI:

Met July 8th,

Working on KPI's.

Quarterly Newsletter will be going out to get information to all providers.

Regional Council:

ALS/BLS application review: Northwest Ambulance granted a license to work in Skagit County. Trans-West Ambulance Service will be asking for a license in Whatcom County for interfacility transfer within Whatcom County.

Chairperson: Lisa Edwards

Treasurer: Kelly Fox

WEMSIS rule making sessions are over.

MPD:

No report

Injury Prevention:

Tiffene Hanson is working with Allen from the state on fall protection.

Hoping to get Teen Heart screen going again in the fall.

TAB

2 million budget to get 5th medic unit going

It will be part time in the 1st or 2nd quarter and full time in the 3rd or 4th quarter.

10 people have been selected for the next paramedic class which starts January 2022.

Hospital:

The hospital is having bed and staffing problems.

Trauma volumes are up for typical summer

WC Admin:

EOB passed the budget for 5th medic unit.

Unfinished business:

Erica L. is working on the bylaws

New Business:

Heather Ripke-Olson's Education Committee membership application was approved.

Granger/Ryckman made motion to keep Jerry DeBruin as acting president until the April Elections.

A motion made by B. Boyko was approved to spend up to \$1500.00 for a new council office laptop.

Good of the order

Duncan McLane will be missed. He was the second longest firefighter and the longest serving chief on the island.

Chief DeBruin gave thanks to everyone for all their hard work.

Barb Macklow (ran 100 miles at age 82) passed away July 3. There will be an August 8th celebration.

SEI Heather Ripke-Olson has been working hard and will be asset to the program and the community.

With no further business the meeting is adjourned at 8:07 pm