

EMS Oversight Committee Meeting
Minutes
January 10, 2019
6:00 P.M.
EOC Conference Room

Present: Charles Mayo, Kiplan Clemmons, Jo Morgan, Jim McArthur, Dr. Portela (on phone), Michael Brown, George Bell, Jordan Smith Gary Whitehurst, Helen Bryant, John Demary, Allen Everette

Opening: Dr. Brown called the meeting to order.

Introductions: Dr. Brown introduced Jo Morgan. Jo has been appointed by the commissioners to fill the at-large seat previously held by Nancy Phelps. Jo worked at Public Health and in the position there was involved in training for ems. She helped start the EC Stroke Network.

Prayer: Jim McArthur gave the prayer. **Pledge:** George Bell led the committee in the pledge.

Approval of Minutes: Jim McArthur made the motion to approve the minutes; Charles Mayo seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Approval of Agenda: Kiplan Clemmons made the motion to approve the agenda as presented; George Bell seconded the motion. Motion passed.

EMS Squads Comments to the EMS-OC: No one signed up

Items for Report:

Medical Director – Dr. Roberto Portela reported the evaluation of the Active Shooter exercise at ECU revealed that more training in this area is needed.

The new EMS Fellow will begin July 1, 2019. Her name is Sasha Klemawesch.

Dr. Portela reported he will be sharing the Cardiac Survival Rate data at the next meeting.

EMS/Rescue Association – George Bell reported the association met Tuesday night in Falkland. The next meeting will March 12 in the Pitt County EOC.

Greenville Fire & Rescue – Ken Denton-Absent

Non-Emergency – Gary Whitehurst reported he had been contacted by Division of EMS that there are four (4) individuals needing ALS skills.

Dr. Portela reported the provider is responsible to contacting Pitt Community College and OEMS.

PCC EMS Training – Jack Cote-absent

EM Director - Allen Everette reported the radio number for the QRV 1470 has been changed to EM70 because it is a part of the Emergency Management department, the new QRV will be EM71 once it is put in service, and the Medical Director is MD1.

Dr. Brown reported that EM70 is not showing up in Pulse Point. Jim will check into this.

EMS Coordinator Report - Jim McArthur reported that Greenville Fire-Rescue is responding to the county a disproportionate number of ems calls. Pitt County EMS will be placing a peak time ems unit in the high volume area of the county as a second line truck. It will be placed in service January 15, and will be housed in the Simpson Fire Department. The unit will operate 7:00 am to 7:00 pm. seven days a week. The unit number is 3311.

Pitt County EMS is hiring four (4) new paramedics and the process is almost complete. Jim reported that Emergency Management received a \$10,000 grant from FEMA to conduct an active shooter exercise in conjunction with Pitt County Schools.

Fleet Management-John Demary reported two (2) QRVs have been ordered, 2019 Tahoes; and one (1) ambulance. He reported the county sold a 2009 Chevrolet ambulance for \$14,000. Charles Mayo asked how many spare ambulances the county has. Jim McArthur reported every squad has two (2) ambulances. There are no spares in the county; 3311 was slated to be sold last year but will still be in service as the peak time unit. The new ambulance is going to Ayden EMS

Charles Mayo asked for a list of problems with the refurbished ambulances, and asked if the issues have been addressed. John Demary reported that all ambulances have been repaired. John Demary reported he will send a list to Charles Mayo.

Financial Report: Brian Barnett reported that he is watching the revenues closely on the EMS fund, collection are a little lower. Jim McArthur reported he will be sending a reminder to squads to sign on the computers and have patient sign at the time of transport because Finance only receives 15% of the letters mailed to patients for signatures back.

Questions/Comments from EMS-OC Members

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen Bryant

**Note: Next regular scheduled meeting of EMS Oversight Committee,
March 14, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. in the EOC**