



# Fauquier County Fire Rescue System

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*Battalion Chief Rich Cluff, Chair  
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**APPROVED**

## EMS COMMITTEE

### **09/24/2024 Minutes**

Present: Chairperson Rich Cluff, FCFR, John Larsen, WVFC, Joe Williams, RVFR, Danielle McCoy, TPVFR, Petra Williams, GVFR, Battalion Chief Rob Smith, FCFR, Doug Monaco, Little Fork Vol. Fire, Lisa Palmer, Washington Vol. Fire, Dr. Michael Jenks, Fauquier County OMD, Executive Assistant Lindsay Flippo

#### **I. Call to Order**

Chairperson Cluff called the meeting to order at 1900 hours.

#### **II. Adoption of the Agenda**

The agenda was presented to the committee. Joe Williams made a motion to adopt the agenda. Co-chair Kane seconded, and it was unanimously approved.

#### **III. Approval of the Minutes**

The minutes from the July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024, meeting were presented to the committee. John Larsen made a motion to approve the minutes as written, Lisa Palmer seconded, and it was unanimously approved.

#### **IV. Guests/Citizens**

- a. Gary Matthews – Fauquier Health Pharmacy Director. The pharmacy deadline for the nation is November 27<sup>th</sup>, but Fauquier Health's Pharmacy will need their scheduled medications to be back at their facility by November 12<sup>th</sup>. The scheduled medication needs to be inventoried and processed by the hospital before the 27<sup>th</sup>. Non-scheduled drugs and EMS supplies will still be provided, but no more scheduled medication.

#### **V. Old Business**

- a. Training Updates – Summer EMT completed August 17<sup>th</sup>, with 8 students completing the course, with 6 passing NREMT. Fall EMT started on August 24<sup>th</sup>. There are 11 students in the class and should be completed by December 21<sup>st</sup>. AEMT is moving along, with 8 students enrolled and a completion date scheduled for December 12<sup>th</sup>. Spring EMT will start on January 11<sup>th</sup> and run through May 10<sup>th</sup>. Registration is now open, and the deadline is December 29<sup>th</sup>. The required CPR course for EMT class will be held January 11<sup>th</sup> at 0800 hours. There is also a skills drill scheduled for November 23<sup>rd</sup>, and it is medical.
- b. EMS License Updates:
  1. Vehicle Transitions - Chairperson Cluff handed out a list to the companies with vehicles that have been transitioned to one license. There are only four left, as they need to be weighed, and other information obtained. If there is a piece of apparatus in the station you would like to add, please let BC Cluff know.
  2. Personnel switch-over - Bobby Tarr has become an administrative user for volunteer

system members. If you have system members with questions, please reach out to Bobby. Also, as a reminder, when getting fingerprinted, please select Fauquier County.

- c. Pharmacy Regulation Update – Pharmaceutical budget has been approved by the Board of Supervisors. Positions open for a full-time medication program administrator and a medication courier. The drug headquarters will be at 30 John Marshall Street. IT will be a one for one exchange. There will also be small hub at each station, with a wall-mounted locker or cabinet and refrigerator, for drugs located inside. Extra supplies will be located at EMS 1. PS Trax will be the inventory management application, and a contract has been signed. Butch Flippo will be coming around to the stations to work with system members to spec out and install boxes. Also, please make sure your membership is aware of the full monitored cameras. IT will be installing those along with a security system, that will be monitored at dispatch.

## **VI. New Business**

- a. REMS Council - What we currently pay for: SIM Lab in Fredericksburg, SIM Ambulance that could come to us, training cadres as long as we have 10 participants, and critical care classes. At State EMS level, the budget portion has been completed reconstructed, and there is a meeting to discuss how this will affect councils around the state. ESO will go away at the state level, and each individual company will need to find a reporting site on June 30, 2025. We will need to wait to see how OEMS will continue after the reconstruction. Currently we spend \$8,500 for REMS, with a contract. They have asked for an increase to \$16,000. Co-chair Kane presented a motion to the committee that if we are bonded by contract, we will pay what is written. If we are not under a contract, we won't pay. John Larsen seconded the motion, and it passed.
- b. LifePak 35 Transition – The Lifepaks and some equipment has been delivered and are currently being stored. We are now waiting on printers, cases, and few other equipment before they are ready for roll-out. We will still need to meet with Stryker and are currently waiting on County IT. We plan on working on a training, that will be pushed out before deployment. Also, there is no ImageTrend interface, nor mounting solutions yet. But these new paks will work with our Styker AEDs.

## **VII. Roundtable**

- a. Convex gloves from COVID supplies are dry-rotting and outdated. What should we do? Cluff and Petra will work on inventorying these supplies and discuss a solution to keep them from disrupting operations.
- b. NREMT study sessions at Little Fork Volunteer Fire Rescue. Please reach out to them if you know/have anyone struggling or interested in studying, it is a great program.

## **VIII. Action Items**

- a. Joe Williams – will go to OEMS meeting and return in December with a report.
- b. Cluff and Petra will work to identify problem supplies from COVID and make sure they are not distributed to the system.

## **IX. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn made by John Larsen at 1939 hours. Joe Williams seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for November 2024, at 1900 hours at Fauquier Hospital.