



# Dane County

## Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

### Emergency Medical Services Commission

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Wednesday, October 25, 2017

5:30 PM

Madison Water Utility - 119 E. Olin Avenue Madison

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#### A. Call To Order

*Also present: Michael Lohmeier, Eric Bauman, and Tim Hillebrand*

**Present** 5 - Chair BOB SALOV, GARY ZIEGLER, MIKE MANCERA, STEPHANIE LEHMANN,  
and MAUREEN McCARVILLE

**Excused** 2 - CATHY RIGDON, and ADAM PLOTKIN

**Absent** 1 - DENNIS O'LOUGHLIN

#### B. Consideration of Minutes

**This was approved the minutes**

[2017](#)  
[MIN-339](#) August EMS Commission Minutes

**Attachments:** [August minutes](#)

**This Minutes was approved the minutes**

#### C. Action Items

Validation of EMS Commission Subcommittees for County Board

*Approve EMS Commission MAS & OPS Subcommittee Forward to Department of  
Administration*

**This was approved**

Visioning Survey Results

*Continue to Solicit Data*

## Legislative Updates - Chief Dave Bloom

*Dane County EMS Commission October 25th Meeting ,,,...*

*Community EMT- Assembly Bill 151 has passed the Assembly with a floor vote of 99/0. Senate Bill 149 had a hearing in the Senate Health Committee on October 17th with no opposition. We expect a positive committee vote within a couple of weeks in the senate committee followed by a full senate floor vote and then to the Governor's desk for signing*

*EMS Advocacy Day - There are 72 people signed up for EMS Advocacy Day at this time. The current plan for the day is as follows. Everyone signed up will receive the three issues with talking points prior to coming to Madison on November 1st\_ November 1st everyone will gather initially at the Main Library 3rd floor at 10:00pm. 10:00am - 12:00pm there will be a couple of legislators conducting a round table and representatives of the sponsoring organizations introducing their organizations along with info on the three issues of the day, which are volunteer tax incentives, exceptions from local levy limits for emergency medical systems and community EMS legislation. At 12:00pm there will be a box lunch for everyone. Approximately 12:45pm the individuals will move to the Capitol where they will meet with their legislators at the pre-arranged meetings. Following the meetings the participants will be asked to complete a follow-up card to make the organizations aware of any issues that we should take care of with each legislator. There will be a meeting room for questions and drop off of follow-up cards in the Capitol on the second floor north hearing room Northwest 225.*

*3 year EMS License Renewal - AB 356 allows EMT's in Wisconsin to renew every three years rather than every two years. Training requirements with DHS would probably not change meaning if 24 hours were required for a two year renewal 36 hours would probably be required for a three year renewal. The Assembly Committee on Health passed it out of committee to the full assembly for a floor vote. There is no companion senate bill at this time.*

*Firefighter Memorial Tax Check Off-AB 343 (number of FF killed on 911) would create a permanent state tax form donation check off that would go to the WI State Firefighter Memorial. The funds would be used to retire the debt and maintain the memorial. A hearing was held on October 5th with no opposition. There is no companion senate bill at this time. The committee has not held a vote yet.*

*Flexible Ambulance Staffing-AB 311 would allow flexible staffing of rural ambulances at whatever level EMT might be available for staffing. A rural ambulance would be a service area of 10,000 population or less. The service medical director has to approve the plan. The ambulance service could only advertise the staffing level they are able to maintain 24/7. A committee vote was taken on October 18th with three amendments offered. First amendment was technical wording changed under Act 12. The second amendment requires the ambulance service to submit for approval by DHS an updated operational plan. The third amendment would restrict the ambulance service to up-grade the service as high as Advanced EMT but no higher. The first and second amendments passed but the third did not pass. The committee*

*then passed the bill out of committee as amended to the full assembly for a floor vote. SB 239 is the companion bill.*

*First responder Funding-AB 310 would allow funding under FAP to 1st Responders for*

*training and examinations. This would also allow escrow of money year to year and using the escrowed money for training and examinations at any level. The Assembly Committee on Health voted this out to the full assembly with one amendment, which was the terminology change under ACT 12. The companion bills are SB 29 and SB 238.*

*PTSD Workers Comp Presumption - LRB 3571/PI has not been introduced yet. The Workers Comp Council has held their meeting (held early this year) this year and they would be the Council that would review this bill. Possible that it will get introduced next year.*

*Referendum Language - The recently signed state budget changed the method of listing referendums. Under previous statutes a community could put a referendum up for a tax levy increase but could not list what the referendum would cover. The new state budget allows communities to list a tax levy referendum for a vote and explain what the levy covers.*

*Service Award Program Changes-with the new budget several changes were made to the SAP that will give volunteer services the opportunity to offer benefits in the form of a small retirement to their volunteers. Those changes are lowering the eligible age from 60 years old to 55 years old, increase from \$250 per year base to \$500 base for matching with state fund and lowering the 100% vesting of a volunteer to 15 years of service from 20 years of service.*

*Text Messaging & Data Transmission -AB 463 had a hearing in the Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee on September 21st. There was opposition but some language changes needed to better describe data and electronic transmissions that would be included in this bill. The companion bill is SB 381.*

*Fire/EMS Plates - SB 360 would remove the \$15 fee required by DOT when applying for Fire/EMS plates. The companion bill is AB 443. A hearing was held on SB 360 in front of the*

*Transportation and Veterans Committee. The committee is voting by paper ballot on October 24th.*

*Local Levy Limits - under LRB-4374/P2 would change the levy limit exception from a county to amounts levied by a political subdivision for an emergency medical system.*

*Let me know if you have any questions; Dave Bloom, Legislative Liaison*

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#### **D. Presentations**

#### **E. Reports to Committee**

*EMS office updates on: CARES Project, Twaiage, BASE Hospital, Resuscitation Academy*

#### **F. Future Meeting Items and Dates**

*Next meeting November 15, 2017.*

#### **G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda**

#### **H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law**

## I. Adjourn

**This was adjourned**

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