



# Dane County

## Minutes - Draft

### Emergency Medical Services Commission

*Consider:*

*Who benefits? Who is burdened?*

*Who does not have a voice at the table?*

*How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

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Wednesday, November 20, 2024

5:30 PM Attend in person at 2982 Kapec Rd. Fitchburg; attend  
virtually via Zoom

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*Interpreters must be requested in advance; please see the bottom of the agenda for more information.*

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In order to testify (provide public comment) virtually, you must be in attendance at the meeting via Zoom or phone, you will then either be unmuted or promoted to a panelist and provided time to speak to the body.

If you want to submit a written comment for this meeting, or send handouts for board members, please send them to: [dcems@danecounty.gov](mailto:dcems@danecounty.gov)

**A. Call To Order**

The meeting was called to order at 5:33pm.

**Present** 7 - ERIC BAUMAN, MEGAN GUSSICK, ADAM PLOTKIN, STEPHANIE LEHMANN,  
GARY ZIEGLER, DON POSTLER, and TIM HILLEBRAND  
**Absent** 2 - MICHELE DOOLAN, and KACEY KRONENFELD

*Guests: Kevin Fosso, Dan Williams, Scott Russell, Chris Hammes, Chris Backes,  
Danny Sefcik, Brandon Ryan, Holly Ellickson, Eric Lang, Charles Tubbs  
Staff: Carrie Meier, Eric Anderson, Kailey Peterson*

**B. Consideration of Minutes**

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Attachments: [August Minutes](#)

The minutes were approved.

**C. Discussion Items**

CARES Update

*Expansion into Sun Prairie will not go into effect until resolutions are approved. Looking at 2nd-3rd week of December for CARES to expand to City of Sun Prairie.*

## Budget Update

*DCEMS request for funds to cover entire cost of data system for EMS agencies has been approved and budget finalized.*

## Cambridge EMS Update

*Update on what the municipalities in that district are deciding on for EMS and Fire service: Ryan Bros and Fort Atkinson Fire will be covering Town of Oakland calls. Nothing yet on what Village of Cambridge will be doing, but meetings continue.*

## Middleton & Waunakee Area EMS Update

*City of Middleton EMS and Waunakee Area EMS commissioned a study with the Wisconsin Policy Forum on reducing future costs. Looking at potential merger and cost/cost savings that would result from combining or sharing services. It is currently in the final stages and the official report should be finalized by mid-December. Once report is received, will take back to individual commissions and municipalities. Will hopefully have more information for Commission in January.*

## Maintenance of Effort Update

*Last state budget included increased shared revenue to counties and municipalities. One of the conditions attached is that municipalities can't cut funding to EMS. Municipal Clerks will have to submit proof to Department of Revenue.*

## Group Purchasing Research

*Have not been able to discuss at an EMS Chiefs meeting to brainstorm areas for support yet. Language Line has been implemented for all EMS agencies.*

## Proposed EMT Curriculum Changes

*DHS received a lot of feedback during the open comment forum for the proposed changes. DHS will go through the information and go forward as they're able. Initially, new curriculum was thought to be implemented fall of 2026. There are several next steps that still need to happen, so no information is definitive yet. Madison College has laid out some sequencing options/ideas for if and when this new curriculum is implemented. There has been push back on the increase in hours for EMT basic and is being seen as a deterrent to getting more EMTs licensed.*

## D. Presentations

## E. Reports to Committee

*Dan Williams went to Seattle to discuss what Dane County has been doing to increase cardiac arrest survival. Received a lot of good feedback and potential areas for improvement.*

## MAS Update

*December meeting will be cancelled; January meeting will be about EMS protocols.*

911 Update

*No update*

Annual Survey

*No topics*

**F. Future Meeting Items and Dates**

*December 18th at 5:30pm.*

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

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

**I. Adjourn**

*The meeting was adjourned at 6:08pm*

**The meeting was adjourned at 6:18pm.**

*Minutes respectfully submitted by Courtney Morency.*