

MONROE COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JULY 28, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER

At a Regular of the Monroe County Emergency Medical Authority held in the Monroe County Board of Commissioners Chambers in the City of Monroe, on Wednesday, July 28, 2021. Chairman David Brown, called meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Roll call by Deputy Clerk as follows:

Present: James Bennett, David Brown, Michael Demski, Sara Kandler, Robin Miller, James Neorr and R.J. Schall

Absent: Keith Masserant and Douglas Steinman (Both excused)

A quorum being present the board proceeded to conduct business.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE—Michael Demski led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Robin Miller, seconded by James Neorr, to approve the July 28, 2021, Regular Meeting agenda as presented.

Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (05/26/2021 Regular Meeting)

Motion by R.J. Schall, seconded by Sara Kandler to approve the 05/26/2021 Regular Meeting minutes as presented and waive the reading thereof.

Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

VI. CENTRAL DISPATCH REPORT—Director Donna Kuti updated the members.

- Will be live with CAD on September 21.
- Worked with Promedica regarding emergency channels
- Staffing is down at Central Dispatch which affects Quality Assurance program. Currently have 2 spots open.
- Discussion commenced regarding Air Ambulance rotation
- Dr. Kemple discussed new policy for priority ALS

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT—None

VIII. LOCAL GOVERNMENT MEMBERS COMMENTS—None

IX. COMMUNICATIONS—None

X. OLD BUSINESS—

1. Articles of Incorporation update—David Brown commenced the discussion that the Articles of Incorporation need to be updated and he has been working with attorney Phil Goldsmith on a draft. Phil will come to the September meeting with a draft.
2. Air Ambulance Policy—Discussion continued from the earlier discussion under Central Dispatch. Part of the dilemma is who to call first in an emergency. Will continue to work on this and bring back for review. Perhaps the EMA should invite the 4 Air Ambulance providers to come and do a presentation at a meeting.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

1. MCA Update—Karl Rock gave the update
 - Dirk Borton, the COO of MCA is retired after 37 years; Paul Hood is the new COO
 - Karl's responsibilities have changed from Jackson, Lenawee, Eastern Calhoun and Monroe Counties to Washtenaw, Western Wayne, Southwest Oakland and Monroe Counties.
 - During the upcoming Monroe County Fair, some of the paramedics will be on bicycles
 - Staffing is still a challenge; hiring bonuses, different PTO policies and attendance policies are being implemented, extra shift incentive program and focus groups are being used to seek information for retention of current employees. MCA is down 2 paramedics
 - Ron Slagell, President and CEO is lobbying Congress for Medicaid increase for ambulance providers. Currently they are getting paid at the same level as in 2001.
 - Naloxone leave-behind program has begun
2. Bedford Township Fire Department Transport Report—Chief Massingill reported that calls have increased. 3rd station will be staffed from the current schedule of 7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., stretching to 10:00 p.m. This will probably begin in late August.

Bedford Township Fire Department Transport Report		
Month/Year	May 2021	June 2021
Total EMS Responses	234	243
BTFD First on Scene	188	183
Total Transports	16	24

Mutual Aid Requests	6	2
Transport-Backup ALS Service in Township	10	22
Transport-Extended Responses	2 Dispatch Delays	2 Dispatch Delays
Transport-Backup ALS Service	9	18

XII. COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON'S AND MEMBER'S REPORT

1. May and June 2021, Operation Reports—R.J. Schall explained the May and June 2021 Operations Reports.

May 2021	
Priority 1-3 Calls	1331
Priority 1-3 Calls Patient Transports	1018
Priority 1 Fractile %	89.64%
Average Response Time	8.28 minutes
Responses > 25 minutes w/o exception	0
Mutual Aid Received	33
Mutual Aid Given	28

June 2021	
Priority 1-3 Calls	1361
Priority 1-3 Calls Patient Transports	1047
Priority 1 Fractile %	88.86%
Average Response Time	8.55 minutes
Responses > 25 minutes w/o exception	0
Mutual Aid Received	57
Mutual Aid Given	22

Motion by Michael Demski, seconded by Robin Miller to accept and place on file both reports.

Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

2. Medical Control Board Report—Dr. Kemple gave the report.

- Approved 40 protocols—Mostly mobile ICU protocols, Bike EMS protocol, Excited delirium and Ketamine protocols (has to be used appropriately)
- Naloxone kit-Leave behind program is active
- Research & grant money—\$12,000
- BVM bags every agency in County will have one
- First aid EMS tents for large event planning for rent

XIII. PUBLIC COMMENT—None

XIV. OTHER ITEMS FROM MEMBERS

XV. NEXT MEETING—September 22, 2021at 6:00 p.m.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by James Neorr, seconded by R.J. Schall to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote taken. Motion carried. With no further business, Chairman Brown adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m.