

# Manitowoc County EMS Association Meeting Minutes

9/26/12

## Host: Newton First Responders

The September 2012 meeting of the Manitowoc County EMS Association was called to order at 1900 by President Siehr. The educational speaker was Michael Wellner; Director of Cardiac Services at HFMMC. He spoke on what a cardiac cath is; how stents work, STEMI's and EMS involvement in the successful treatment of them. Time 1900-2000

The meeting was resumed. Roll call was taken. A quorum was not present. The secretary's report was distributed and copies given. A motion was made to accept the secretary's report as written by Newton and seconded by Cleveland.

The treasurer's report was given and ending balances were given as follows:

Checking: \$210.58                      New CD Balance: \$5182.49  
Savings: \$958.72

A motion was made by St. Nazianz to accept the treasurer's report as presented and Cleveland seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### Old Business:

1. **Contact numbers:** Passed for updates.
2. **Committee reports:**
  - a. **Radio:** If you have radio issues contact JEFF at [JeffBeyer@co.manitowoc.wi.us](mailto:JeffBeyer@co.manitowoc.wi.us). A Mr. Bill Jones will answer but they will answer you. There are many noted "dead zones" with the new system. Things aren't going as smoothly as they would like them to be.
  - b. **Medical Director:** Nothing new
  - c. **Protocols:** Done except for tiny changes. Siehr to get everyone copies. They are on line on the website.
  - d. **Finance:** Nothing new
  - e. **Disaster:** Nothing for now
  - f. **Education and training:** Always available if needed by groups. We will be adding an EMS link onto our website to see any seminars we get mails on.
  - g. **LTC:** They are still looking to fill and advanced EMT class 10/31.
  - h. **Dispatch:** Still with many challenges as 2 of the 3 new people hired have left. MABAS is moving slowly. Remember to identify your agency and WAIT as there is a lot of work involved on the dispatch end.
  - i. **Mutual Aid Agreements:** no updates
  - j. **Website:** Mark Knier will continue to be our webmaster.
3. **MABAS:** EMS is learning more and more about this and starting to make our pages. Hopefully to see completion by the end of the year. Discussion also on the politically correct term for an ambulance vs. rescue squad. This is ongoing. We are going to meet at 1800 before the next county ems meeting to do some brainstorming on these. There is supposed to be a very good table top at Newton 9/27/12 at 1900 done by the MABAS committee. Everyone welcome.
4. **Triage Tags:** There is training on 10/3 for the new tag system. Report at next meeting.
5. **State First Responder:** The memo from the state was again presented to everyone. Each agency must be registered with the state and each member also registered with the state. As of 12/31/12 you will no longer be able to legally function as first responders without this. Mark Busse from Valders is helping several agencies. Talk to the board now for help.

## **New Business**

1. **RTAC:** Is working with SMART triage and has some tags. They will be doing some train the trainer in October. We are working on getting some free tags.
2. **Donation of forceps:** Dr. Kiyak and his wife Sandy RN, who were speakers earlier this year at an EMS meeting, came back to the meeting to donate to each agency two forceps for in their OB kits. The forceps can be cleaned after use and reused. They are available to us via a grant/gift from HFM and the OB department. Much thanks to them for this great gift.
3. **Nominations:** Nominations are now being accepted for the position of secretary. Next year we will be nominating a new vice president. Deb Holschbach is considering accepting a nomination.
4. **Next meeting:** 11/28/12 at 7:00 p.m. at Reedsville. 6:00 p.m. for EMS MABAS.

A motion to adjourn was made by Newton and Kiel seconded. Meeting adjourned.

**Next Meeting: November 28, 2012 at Reedsville**

**Attendance:** Cleveland, Mishicot, St. Nazianz, Two Rivers, Valders, Kiel, Newton, Reedsville, Dispatch

**Absent:** Branch, Collins, Silver Creek, Francis Creek, Kellnersville, Manitowoc, Maribel, Viking, LTC

Submitted: D. Holschbach, secretary