

**EMS AD HOC COMMITTEE  
6:30 PM WEDNESDAY JANUARY 10, 2018  
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
505 THIRD ST, HUDSON WI 54016**

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**AGENDA**

1. Call to order.
2. Comments and suggestions from community.
3. Comments and suggestions from EMS staff.
4. Discussion and possible action on Ad Hoc Committee minutes of 12/27/2017.
5. Discussion and possible action on survey results/interviews of employees.
6. Discussion and possible action on work groups.
7. Discussion and possible action on consolidation of local EMS services.
8. Discussion of River Falls Assessment.
9. EMS items for discussion only.
10. Future agenda items.
11. Next meeting time and date.
12. Adjourn.

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Joyce Hall, Committee Chair

cc: Rich O'Connor, Mayor  
Devin Willi, City Administrator  
Brenda Malinowski, Finance Officer  
Nate Skoog, River Channel

Posted in City Hall lobbies on 01/03/2018. Emailed to the Ad Hoc Committee members, E.M.S. Commission members, *Hudson Star Observer*, City Council Members, Mike Bahneman and St. Croix E.M.S. members on 01/03/2018.

*Notice is hereby given that a majority of the City Council may be present at the aforementioned meeting of the E.M.S. Commission to gather information about a subject over which they have decision-making responsibility.*

*This constitutes a meeting of the City Council pursuant to **State ex rel. Badke v. Greendale Village Bd., 173 Wis.2d 553, 494 N.W. 2d 408 (1993)**, and must be noticed as such, although the Council will not take any formal action at this meeting.*

**MINUTES  
EMS AD HOC COMMITTEE  
DECEMBER 27, 2017**

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Joyce Hall, Bill Campbell, Paul Rode and Jim Webber

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Brandon Lyksett (EMS Chief), Josh Olson (Operations Supervisor), Dominic Ehman, Joe Elkin and Ben Wasmund (SCEMS paramedics), Payton Bjorkman and Whitney Muller (SCEMS EMTs), John Tremble (citizen), Tom Borowski (Hudson Hospital CEO) and Joanne Kenney (Administrative Assistant/Recording Secretary).

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Meeting called to order by Joyce Hall at 6:30 p.m.

**COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM COMMUNITY:** None.

**COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM EMS STAFF:**

Dominic Ehman (SCEMS paramedic) discussed the need for more sleeping rooms and expressed concern over the new staffing model.

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON AD HOC COMMITTEE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 27, 2017.**

Motion to approve the minutes of December 27, 2017 as presented by Bill Campbell, second by Paul Rode. All ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON SURVEY RESULTS/INTERVIEWS OF EMPLOYEES:**

Discussed maintaining privacy and confidentiality of the employees. Also cautioned the group to take notes and gather information only and not enter into discussions or feeding the issues. Some morale issues have been identified and, per the City Attorney, they should be forwarded to Brandon Lyksett. Paul Rode and Joe Elkin will meet with those employees who agreed to be interviewed.

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON WORK GROUPS:**

We will postpone any further work groups until we have five members on the committee.

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPLICANTS FOR OPEN AD HOC COMMITTEE POSITION:**

John Tremble has been recommended to the mayor for his approval.

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON CONSOLIDATION OF LOCAL EMS SERVICES:**

This is an item that was included in the River Falls Survey. This is an item that was included in our study that was done 10 years ago—the issues preventing it then was maintaining identity and local control. Jim Webber felt it was important to look at it now as both services are in flux and are similar. Place on future agenda.

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**DISCUSSION OF PLAINVIEW, LAKE CITY, AND RIVER FALLS ASSESSMENTS:**

It was decided to concentrate on the River Falls assessment, as it is the most similar to SCEMS. Brandon has another assessment from St. Paul and that will be emailed to the members. Place on future agenda.

**EMS ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION ONLY:**

Brandon discussed partitioning one of the sleep rooms, but the mixed staff feels uncomfortable sharing rooms. Brandon felt that looking at other facilities should be moved forward. The committee felt that was something to be looked at by the EMS Commission.

Brandon also discussed that with the new staffing model, EMTs will be limited to 24 hours per week. Several EMTs who take a lot of call time have found other jobs to supplement their hours here.

The deadline for applications for new EMTs will close this Friday.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

Paul Rode – staff reviews.

**NEXT MEETING TIME AND DATE:**

Next meeting date is Wednesday January 10, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Hudson Council Chambers.

**ADJOURN:**

Motion to adjourn by Bill Campbell, second by Paul Rode. Meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Kenney, Administrative Assistant

Meeting available to watch: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AMneJSOILXQ>