

City EMS Advisory Board

Minutes

Date/Time: Dec 19th, 2023 1:30 pm-2:30 pm

Location: Fire Training Center, 1900 9th St South

Members Present:

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| 1. Jeremy Jones | City EMS Administrator, Chair |
| 2. Dr. Dave Simpson | EMS Medical Director, Vice Chair |
| 3. Justin Grohs | Great Falls Emergency Services Manager |
| 4. Jeremy Virts | Great Falls Fire Rescue Deputy Chief of EMS |
| 5. Christina Wood | GFES Paramedic/Operations Chief |
| 6. Lanni Klasner | Communication Specialist/Neighborhood Council |
| 7. Karen Young | 911 Director |

Ex-Officio Members:

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| 1. Sydney Hirst | Benefis ER |
| 2. Dr. Stuart | GFES Medical Director |

The meeting was brought to order by Chief Jones at 1300 hrs. Roll call was conducted (see above). A motion to approve the meeting minutes from Dec 19th /2023 as read was made by Lanni and a 2nd to the motion was made by Dr. Simpson. Motion passed.

Old Business

1. MIVT Radio format
 - MIVT (Mechanism, Injuries, Vital Signs, Treatment). This will continue and be monitored by Sydney and whomever else assumes new roles in the ER.

New Business

1. Dr, Stuart discussed the recent change in the trauma designation of Benefis' ER. This won't change anything EMS providers do in the field or where we take the patients. There will be some new positions formed in the ER regarding data collection and pre-hospital report requests. It may take as long as 18 months for the Level II designation to come back. Virts will be the pre-hospital liaison for Dr. Stuart to communicate with regarding the 911 system.
2. There was discussion on why GFFR responded to a medical call within a Gore Hill Fire District. This discussion stemmed from Dr. Stuart asking the question of Dr. Simpson with regard to liability of the GFFR responders. This response area is an atypical area within Fox Farm. GFFR Station 4 was within blocks of this address. Dr. Simpson clarified that our responders (GFFR) are covered within the boundaries of the whole state. Obviously GFFR's response area isn't that big, but they have gone to Chester, Lewistown just to name a few outlying places. The Hazmat Team is also a regional team and can respond outside our normal response zones.

Meeting adjourned: 1445 hrs

Next meeting date: March 28th, 2023 @ 1:30 pm