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Emergency Medical Care Commission

SAN BENITO COUNTY

Kent Benedict M.D.
Medical Director

San Benito County Emergency Medical Care Commission

Meeting Minutes
July 16, 2008

I. Call to Order / Introductions:

The Meeting was called to order by Rick Espino, at 1:37 p.m.

Voting Members Present:

American Red Cross
California Department of Forestry
Calstar Air Ambulance
Contract Ambulance-AMR
Department of Parks & Recreation
Hollister Fire Department
Hollister Police Department
Pinnacles National Monument
San Benito County Communications

Craig Johnson
Rick Espino
David Wiebe
Kris Mangan/Brenda Brenner
John Vallett
Fred Cheshire
Jeff Miller
Brett Hergert
Beth Kafer

Non – Voting Members Present:

County Health Officer
County EMS Administrator
County EMS Coordinator
County EMS Medical Director
County Emergency Preparedness Coordinator

Liz Falade, M.D.
Kathy Flores
Jim Clark
Kent Benedict, M.D.
Sam Perez

Voting Members Absent:

Aromas Fire Department
Bureau of Land Management
California Highway Patrol
Hazel Hawkins Hospital
San Benito County Board of Supervisor
San Benito County Sheriff's Department
San Juan Bautista Fire Department
Member At Large

Phillip Matteson
Mike Chiodini
Dave Hill
Mandy Lopez
Anthony Botelho
Curtis Hill
Scott Freels
Unfilled

Others Present:

HHSA - EMS
AMR Ambulance
Central Coast Ambulance
Hollister Police Department

Joseph Alvarado
Bill Thrasher
John Chelstowski
Nick Carlquist

II. Approval of EMCC Minutes of May 21, 2008

The minutes of May 21, 2008 were approved.

III. Public Comment:

None

IV. Public Information/Education:

None

V. EMS Medical Director's Report – Dr. Kent Benedict:

Dr. Benedict stated Jim continues to review the policy and procedures. He also explained the ePCR's will soon have an updated version. Reports will be completed from the ePCR's to evaluate trauma cases.

Dr. Benedict also stated that AMR will take on a one year contract with Monterey County to provide EMS service beginning September 1, 2008.

Old Business

Hollister Airport - Calstar

Calstar will house CALSTAR 9 at the Hollister Airport. They are currently in the process of hiring new staff members to work 12 hour shifts.

SNS Armed Personnel Update

Joseph Alvarado handed out a list of law/security personnel available per agency in San Benito County. Chief Miller stated the numbers may not be accurate because some individuals on the list have dual roles and may have been counted more than once. A discussion followed on working with the postal service to provide security covering the thirty-one (31) carrier routes.

VI. New Business:

Emergency Ambulance Agreement Update

Jim Clark will present an ambulance contract to the Board of Supervisors on July 22, 2008. The current contract will expire at the end of June 2009. Jim will be asking to extend it for another five (5) years beginning July 1, 2009.

Minimum First-Aid & CPR Training Requirements for Public Safety Personnel

Jim Clark explained the EMS Agency is looking into local Fire Departments and American Medical Response (AMR) personnel to ensure First Responders meet the qualified requirements on First Aid and CPR.

CSA 36 – Public Hearing Scheduled July 22, 2008

Jim Clark explained the County Service Area 36 (CSA 36). Every parcel funds the EMS Agency. Each year this is reviewed with the budget process. The current rate is \$18.42 and Kathy Flores will be requesting an increased to \$19.99. Jim reported a Public Hearing on this is scheduled for July 22, 2008.

Motorcycle Rally Roundtable

This years rally appeared to be quiet for the most part. No major upsets reported.

VII. Meeting was adjourned at 2:32 p.m.