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The Ida County Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council (EMSAC) meet on Tuesday, December 3, 2024, at 5:30 pm for a regularly scheduled meeting at Horn Memorial Hospital in the conference rooms.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30pm by Chair Larry Folk. Present were Ken Langel, Beth Schossow, Gary Wanberg, Devlun Whiting, Shelby Ellis, Megan Wellendorf, Claire Sohm, Deb Ulrich, Dana Goodman, Corey Trucke and Rachel Burns.

Motion to approve and amend the agenda, adding item #3 to new business: EMSAC Appointments by Devlun Whiting, seconded by Dana Goodman, all voting aye.

Claire Sohm introduced herself to the group. Claire is the new Ambulance Director for Battle Creek Ambulance.

Motion to approve minutes from 11/18/2024 by Devlun Whiting, seconded by Dana Goodman, all voting aye.

The meeting was opened to public comments. No public comments heard.

The group reviewed and updated last year's EMS assessment tool. Only minor changes at this time were made. No official action was taken.

Elections for 2025 positions were held.

Nominations for Chair were opened. Larry Folk was nominated to serve as Chair by Shelby Ellis, seconded by Megan Wellendorf. No further nominations were made. Megan Wellendorf moved to close nominations, seconded by Dana Goodman, all voting aye. Roll call vote was taken, all members voting for Larry Folk.

Nominations for Vice Chair were opened. Devlun Whiting was nominated by Dana Goodman, seconded by Ken Langel. No further nominations were made. Motion to close nominations by Ken Langel, seconded by Gary Wanberg, all voting aye. Roll call vote was taken, all members voting for Devlun Whiting.



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Nominations for Secretary were opened. Corey Trucke was nominated by Megan Wellendorf, seconded by Shelby Ellis. No further nominations were made. Motion to close nominations by Megan Wellendorf, seconded by Shelby Ellis, all voting aye. Roll call vote was taken, all members voting for Corey Trucke.

The Council was informed that per agency request and in accordance with bylaws updates, Ida Grove Ambulance would like to place Dana Goodman on the Council in place of Joyce Schnabel, and Battle Creek Ambulance would like to place Claire Sohm on the council to fill a vacancy. Motion by Beth Schossow, seconded by Deb Ulrich to approve those changes, all voting aye. The permanent changes will be sent to the Board of Supervisors for approval.

Discussion was held regarding the building bid process. The building will be going out to bid for renovations publicly on December 5. Bids will be received at 3pm on January 7, 2024 at the Ida County Board of Supervisors' room. A joint EMSAC and Board of Supervisors meeting will be scheduled for 5:30pm on January 7 to review bids.

Corey reported that he has been discussing temporary accommodations for EMS employees and that EMS employees will be utilizing the meeting room across from the Communications Center while the building is being renovated. The Sheriff has agreed to allow EMS to use the garage (sally port) to store the EMS response vehicle with the understanding that EMS employees will have to move the vehicle any time the Sheriff's Office needs to use it.

Corey reported that Ida County EMS day is scheduled for March 1, 2025. There was discussion about having a meet and greet/social hour for volunteers to meet the new EMS employees. Corey will schedule a meet and greet immediately following training on March 1.

Motion to adjourn by Dana Goodman, seconded by Larry Folk, all voting aye. Meeting adjourned at 6:24pm.

/s/ Larry Folk, Chair

/s/ Corey Trucke, Secretary