



## MINUTES

Eau Claire County

EMS Study Committee

Monday, November 4, 2024, at 3:00 p.m.

Eau Claire County Courthouse

721 Oxford Ave., Eau Claire, WI 54703 • Room 3312

Present: Joe Alf, Jake Brunette, Tyler Esh, Rod Eslinger, Kirk Dahl, Allen Myren, Larry Hoekstra

Others: Heidi Pederson – Acting Committee Clerk, Kathryn Schauf, Bill Oemichen (remote), Garret Zastoupil, Kerry Parker, Kirk Gunderson, Matt Jagggar, Jon Schultz, Jason Szymanski, Mike Golat, Mark Renderman, Jennifer Meyer (remote) Jen Meyer (remote), Kitzie Winters (remote)

### Call to Order and confirmation of meeting notice

Chair Myren called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and confirmed meeting notice.

### Roll call

The roll is indicated above.

### Public Comment

No members of the public wished to make comment.

### Review/approval of meeting minutes

Motion by Rod Eslinger to approve the minutes as presented from October 7, 2024. All in favor, motion carried.

### County Authority to Levy for EMS

Jake Brunette confirmed that the county has authority per chapter 59 to provide EMS by directly providing the service or by contracting for it. The county has authority to levy for it and is unique to the county per Chapter 66. Jake also provided information regarding a new DOR law that took effect in July. Jason Szymanski provided additional information regarding the new DOR law. Discussion followed regarding levy and tax implications.

### Municipal and EMS Transport Agency Interview Summaries

Rod Eslinger provided update on the interviews of the 18 municipalities and 5 transport agencies that were performed the week of October 14. Interviews were for gathering information. Introducing a model would be Phase 2. Tyler Esh, Bill Oemichen and Garrett Zastoupil provided their experience with the interviews. Committee was provided summary of the interviews.

### Initial tax levy estimate

Rod Eslinger and Tyler Esh provided overview on the initial tax levy estimate results.

### File No. 24-25/086 Resolution Authorizing the extension of the EMS Committee and Development of Countywide EMS Program

Jake Brunette provided committee with list of pros and cons from a county perspective of taking on countywide EMS program. Committee will expire on 12/31/2024 unless renewed. Discussion to change core group with the decision to keep same group. Committee reviewed 24-25/086 draft resolution. Modifications were suggested and handouts will accompany the resolution.

Motion recommended by Supervisor Hoekstra to recommend resolution with revisions. On roll call, all in favor.



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### Draft EMS Levy Resolution

Agenda item #9 was included in resolution 24-25/086 Discussion.

### Future Agenda Items

Will wait until resolution goes to County Board meetings in December to schedule next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Heidi Pederson – Acting Committee Clerk  
*Administrative Specialist II*

ATTEST:

  
Supervisor Allen Myren, Chair

**From:** [Allen Myren](#)  
**To:** [Samantha Kraegenbrink](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Final EMS Study Committee Minutes  
**Date:** Monday, November 25, 2024 11:00:38 AM

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Looks great, Samantha, thank you.

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**From:** Samantha Kraegenbrink <Samantha.Kraegenbrink@eauclairecounty.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 25, 2024 7:50:57 AM  
**To:** Allen Myren <Allen.Myren@eauclairecounty.gov>  
**Subject:** Final EMS Study Committee Minutes

Hi Allen –

Because the EMS Study Committee is being disbanding, the chair has the responsibility to review and attest to the attached minutes.

Please let me know if you approve or if you feel there should be changes.

Thanks!



*Samantha Kraegenbrink*

*Executive Office Administrator*

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