

Minutes of Meeting
Kootenai County Emergency Medical Services System (KCEMSS)
Fiscal Year 2017 Budget Discussion
June 17, 2016
9:00 a.m.

The Kootenai County Board of Commissioners: Chairman Dan Green and Commissioner Marc Eberlein met to discuss the following agenda items. Also present were Clerk Jim Brannon, Chief Deputy Clerk Pat Raffee, Finance Director Dena Darrow, Senior Staff Accountant Kimberli Price, and Deputy Clerks Alicia Lynch and Randi Davis. Also present were KCEMSS Chief Christopher Way and Director of Administration Tracy Abrahamson. Commissioner David Stewart was excused.

- A. Call to Order:** Chairman Dan Green called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
- B. Introductions:** There were no introductions.
- C. Changes to the Agenda:** There were no changes to the agenda.
- D. Old Business:** There was no old business discussed.
- E. New Business:**

**Discussion with Chief Way and the Auditor's staff regarding Fiscal Year (FY) 2017
KCEMSS Budget Requests**

Commissioner Marc Eberlein reported that the Joint Powers Board had voted to tentatively approve the proposed KCEMSS FY2017 Budget.

KCEMSS Chief Christopher Way and Director of Administration Tracy Abrahamson presented and discussed with the Board the KCEMSS FY2017 Budget Requests. Chief Way said that the budget was still tentative. He answered questions regarding the FY2017 Personnel Request for Division Chief of Logistics.

Clerk Jim Brannon asked Chief Way and Ms. Abrahamson about the Bad Debt Expense line item included in the proposed FY2017 KCEMSS Budget. Ms. Abrahamson explained that a small portion of KCEMSS' clients were unable to pay despite being offered payment plans; but the largest contributor to Bad Dept Expense was due to writing off the portions not covered by Medicare, Medicaid, and Veteran Services. Chief Way noted that the Medicare rates had not been adjusted since the late 1990s or early 2000s.

Clerk Brannon informed the Board that the Auditor's office would update the FY2017 County Budget to reflect the proposed KCEMSS FY2017 Budget. Ms. Abrahamson reported that KCEMSS would hold a Public Hearing on July 21, 2016. Clerk Brannon asked KCEMSS to represent their portion of the budget at the County's FY2017 Public Hearing on August 31, 2016, since KCEMSS was a component unit of the County. Chief Way replied that KCEMSS would be present at the Hearing.

Chief Way, Ms. Abrahamson, and Commissioner Eberlein exited the meeting at 9:29 a.m.

Chairman Green recessed the meeting at 9:29 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

Deferred Decisions

Finance Director Dena Darrow updated the Commissioners on the Hayden Patrol Cost Share deferred decision.

No decisions were made.

- F. Public Comment:** This section is reserved for citizens wishing to address the Board regarding a County related issue. Idaho Law prohibits Board action on items brought under this section except in an emergency circumstance. Comments related to future public hearings should be held for that public hearing. There were no public comments.

Chairman Green adjourned the meeting at 9:37 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JIM BRANNON, CLERK

DANIEL H. GREEN, CHAIRMAN

BY: _____
Alicia Lynch, Deputy Clerk
