

# COMMUNITY EMERGENCY SERVICE – MEDIC 1

## Minutes of Meeting February 26, 2026

### BOARD MEMBERS ATTENDING:

	Present	Absent
Baroda Twp., - Dennis Krottzer	<u>  X  </u>	
Benton Twp., - Cathy Yates	<u>  X  </u>	
Berrien Twp., - Bruce Stover		<u>  X  </u>
Chikaming Twp., - Allen Weich	<u>  X  </u>	
Lake Twp., - Zach Carson	<u>  X  </u>	
Lincoln Twp., - Kacey Dominquez	<u>  X  </u>	
New Buffalo Twp., - Michelle Heit	<u>  X  </u>	
Oronoko Twp., - Mike Hildbrand	<u>  X  </u>	
Royalton Twp., - Steve Tilly	<u>  X  </u>	
Sodus Twp., - Dave Chandler	<u>  X  </u>	
St. Joseph Twp., - Ed Meny	<u>  X  </u>	
Weesaw Twp.,		<u>  X  </u>
Benton Harbor City, - Alex Little	<u>  X  </u>	
Bridgman City, - Jan Trapani	<u>  X  </u>	
St. Joseph City, - Mike Phelps (Steve Newbecker)	<u>  X  </u>	
New Buffalo City, - Darwin Watson	<u>  X  </u>	
Berrien Springs Village, - Rachel Kuzda	<u>  X  </u>	

### CONTRACTED SERVICE AREA REPRESENTATIVES:

Bainbridge Twp., - Samantha Droskie	<u>  X  </u>
Coloma City, Coloma Twp., - Wes Smigielski	<u>  X  </u>
Hagar Twp., Izzy Dimaggio, Wade Arends	<u>  X  </u>
Watervliet, Maryann Pater	<u>  X  </u>
Pipestone Twp. Mike Haskin	<u>  X  </u>

### MEDIC 1 EMPLOYEES:

Jason Wiley, Director	<u>  X  </u>
Tony Perkins, Operations Supervisor	<u>  X  </u>
Mike Schultz, Supervisor	<u>  X  </u>
Jason Russell, Dispatch	<u>  X  </u>
Carlos Luna, Supervisor	<u>  X  </u>
Cody Phillips, Supervisor	<u>  X  </u>
Laura White, Dispatcher	<u>  X  </u>
Kristin Patterson, Education	<u>  X  </u>
Crystal White, education	<u>  X  </u>

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### COREWELL HEALTH SOUTH EMPLOYEES:

None

### PUBLIC:

### ROLL CALL AND MINUTES:

- The meeting was called to order by Chairman Darwin Watson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. The roll was called, and the above-listed quorum was present.
- A motion was made by Dave Chandler seconded by Cathy Yates to approve the January 22, 2026 meeting minutes with a correction of 2026 not 2025 in heading. Motion carried.
- Financial Report – was explained by Jason page 5 was negative not positive on the profit and loss page 8, RFP for outsourcing Billing and for new dispatch software are being created and page 5 prepaid insurance has not been cleared out since 2014 we are working on correcting.

### PAYMENT OF BILLS:

- The list of bills for the month of January 2026 was presented and a motion to approve the bills was made by Michelle Heit and seconded by Dave Chandler totaling \$1,005,404.47. Motion carried.

### EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT:

Mike made his report

### DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- Jason made his report, Matt Zavadsky will be present on March 16 & 17 to present the findings of possible merger with SMACS & Medic I

### OPERATIONS REPORT:

- Tony made his report for January which was on page 16 of the agenda packet.

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## **DISPATCH**

No report Jason Russell

## **EDUCATION:**

Crystal White reported said the changes in the education dept. has had a positive effect as not classes are filling up, pass rates are good and advanced EMT classes are full.

## **CONTRACTED SERVICE AREA**

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## **OLD BUSINESS:**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Subsidy and the new budget presented and discussed. A motion by Steve Tilly, supported by Michelle Heit to approve the 2026-2027 budget, motion carried.

At 9:02 a.m. the meeting was recessed and the Special meeting was called to order with township and city members present to discuss the possible new funding model. Discussion followed, to be reviewed by the member boards and a recommendation by returned to the Medic I Board.

The special meeting was closed at 9:57 a.m.

## **GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

Next meeting will be March 26, 2026

A motion was made by Zac Carson, seconded by Dave Chandler to adjourn at 9:59 am. Motion carried

Respectfully Submitted-

Steve Tilly

Medic 1 Board Secretary/Treasurer