



County of
Essex



**Essex Windsor EMS
Joint Health and Safety Committee Meeting Minutes**

Monday, March 26, 2018

Location of Meeting

Leamington Station

10 Wilkinson Drive, Leamington

0900

Regular Quarterly Meeting - Q1

1. Call to Order

Moved by: Dan Suvajdzin

Seconded by: John Fast

2. Recording of Attendance

Union Committee Members Present:

Dan Suvajdzin, Co-chair

Miguel Restrepo

Brad Hart

Dustin Anderson

Renee Murray

Management Committee Members Present:

David Jacobs, Co-chair

John Fast

Tyson Brohman

Sarah Bezaire

Micheline Cornellier

Absent:

Denis McFarlane

Jean Pierre Bacon

David Kfrerer

Others Present:

Chris Grant, Management oversight
Ian Nash, Union oversight
Crystal Sylvestre, Recording secretary

3. Adoption of the Minutes

Moved by John Fast
Seconded by Miguel Restrepo
That the Thursday, December 21, 2017 minutes of the EWEMS Joint Health and Safety Committee be adopted as presented.- **Carried**

4. New and Returning Members

The Committee welcomes new members Sarah Bezaire, Dustin Anderson and Brad Hart.
Welcome back David Jacobs and Renee Murray.

5. Station Inspection Schedule for New and Returning members

New and returning members will need to get in touch with David Jacobs to be placed into the Station Inspection schedule for 2018. The number of members should allow each member an opportunity twice per year to do base inspections.

ACTION: Members contact David Jacobs to be placed into the schedule.

6. Pelee Island Inspection Review

Miguel and JP inspected the Pelee Island station and found the following issues:

- A) Emergency lighting in the garage was broken and replaced but it isn't connected to the two lights in other rooms.
- B) Windows that do not close need to be cleaned.
- C) Township of Pelee is getting a grant for a generator.

ACTION: Prepare a cleaning schedule for the Island station.

7. Station Inspections – March 2018

Tyson and Dustin performed inspections and found few intermittent items. The most common concern is chemicals in the wrong bottles. This is an ongoing concern for the Committee and members are asked to be vigilant and remedy any bottles they encounter that are mislabeled.

It is recommended that to test Emergency lights, shut the breaker to the light at the beginning of the inspection, the lights should be on for the duration of the inspection. If not, then needs to be inspected further.

8. Health and Safety Focus – April 2018

During the month of April 2018, management will be focusing on checking load security.

ACTION: Send reminder about load security from Committee to staff.

ACTION: Send video from Ian Nash re: load shift in a collision.

9. JHSC Monthly Messaging

The JHSC can send out Monthly Safety messages through the email account.

April – load security

May – sharps

June – chemicals

ACTION: Add to Q2 agenda to develop the next three topics to be mentioned.

10. Fit Testing Group

A group of people from the Union and Management have been trained to do Fit Testing at Spring training. Everyone will be required to be clean shaven in order to be fit tested.

11. PPE Bags to Spring Training

PPE bags will be inspected at Spring training and any items missing will be replaced.

12. County Road 11 and 12 Post

Add this location to base inspection rounds. Keep in mind it is not a full station so it does not include all of the components such as showers etc. a full station would include.

13. Sector 21 Updates – Ian Nash

- A) MOL Blitz for March and April is Equipment Security, all members are asked to message this and educate wherever possible.
- B) Eye wash stations in Ambulances. Are they required? Source sensible adapters.

- C) A section specific to Healthcare is being considered for OHSA.
- D) Confined space. EMS do not go into confined space. Some FD will enter some areas but large construction projects are responsible to have a confined space plan in place.
- E) No light and sirens are to be used for US transfers. Do our cell phones work over the border? Will need to be checked.
- F) Safe at Work – Healthcare for Jan 2018 re: flagging, radio procedures, base pagers. Ian will send notes to JHSC.
- G) Base Pager Pilot Project has been completed with Peel and it is finished. WFRS has a nice paging system.

14. Portable battery chargers for Hospital

Portable radios do not belong to EWEMS nor do the batteries. There are no chargers or extra batteries to put in chargers. All extra batteries have been taken and not returned.

15. Next Meeting Date

Thursday, June 14, 2018
0900
EMS Training Room Civic Centre.

16. Adjournment

Moved by Sarah Bezaire
Seconded by Ian Nash

That the meeting of Monday, March 26, 2018 adjourn at 1023 –**Carried**

Approval of Minutes:



David Jacobs
Management CoChair



Dan Suvajdzin
Union CoChair