

**MEETING SUMMARY**  
**March 20, 2018**  
**Suffolk County EMS Office, Yaphank, New York 11980**

***NOTE: This summary is a draft summary until approved at the May 8, 2018 meeting.***

Members Present: See attendance list, provided as attachment 1. NOTE that the regularly scheduled meeting was postponed by one (1) week due to a winter storm occurring on March 13, 2018

Meeting opened at 7:05 PM. Chairman Cammann presiding, with webcasting in progress. Vice Chair Pellicone led the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence for departed members of the 106<sup>th</sup> Air Rescue Wing, Chairman read the following into the record:

*“ Please remain standing as we show our support for the men and women of the 106th Rescue Wing and their families. Let us bow our heads in silence in remembrance of Capt. Christopher Zanetis, age 37, a resident of Long Island City; Capt. Andreas O’Keefe, age 37, a resident of Center Moriches; Master Sgt. Christopher Raguso, age 39, a resident of Commack; and Staff Sgt. Dashan Briggs, age 30, a resident of Port Jefferson Station.”*

CPR Life Saving Award presented to the Wading River FD. Three (3) additional agencies could not be present to accept their awards, but were recognized by the Chair.

Motion approved to accept the January Meeting Summary as posted, with one (1) clarification by Mr. Franz; on page 5 under Legislative Committee report, the correct term should be “defined Benefit” and not defined contribution. Mr. Delagi stated that he would make the change.

**Executive Committee – P. Cammann**

- Mr. Cammann distributed the 2018 Committee List, encouraging all members to remain active.

**Budget – M. Zender**

- In Mr. Zender’s absence, the Chair reported that all finances were in order and that the January – March 2018 Quarterly Voucher was being prepared.

**Correspondence – Distributed**

**Incoming – date; from whom; subject**

12/22/17; North Shore Ambulance & Oxygen Service, Inc. (O. Serrano); Expansion of Operating Authority (EOA) Application.

12/26/17; Infrastructure Solutions, Inc.; Invoice 17803; monthly payment.

1/1/18; Infrastructure Solutions, Inc.; Invoice 17829; monthly payment.

1/2/18; Infrastructure Solutions, Inc.; Invoice 17832; ALS Protocol Update Registrations.

1/11/18; Suffolk County Fire District Officers Assn; designating John Manzi as their Delegate to the REMSCO, with Ray Reilly as the Alternate.

1/11/18; Language Line Invoice 4227470; for services rendered (np payment due).

1/11/18; H. Rosenblum; advising that FILSEC has re-appointed Ian Levine as their Delegate to the REMSCO.

1/12/18; NY City REMSCO (M. Diglio); copy of letter to D. Leibowitz (Hunter Ambulance); suspending ALS Operating Authority pending renewal of Class 3C Controlled Substances License.

1/12/18; Infrastructure Solutions, Inc.; Invoice 17833; ALS Protocol Update Registrations.

1/12/18; Suffolk County EMS (Klug); copy of letter to D. Leibowitz (Hunter Ambulance); suspending ALS Operating Authority pending renewal of Class 3C Controlled Substances License.

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**Correspondence – Distributed – continued.**

**Incoming – date; from whom; subject**

2/1/18; Port Jefferson EMS Course Sponsor; EMT-B Original Course Applications for June 4-August 23 2018 (M-W); June 4-August 23 2018 (Tues-Wed-Th), and June 5-August 23 2018 (Tu-Th).  
2/1/18; Infrastructure Solutions, Inc.; Invoice 17866; monthly payment.  
2/1/18; Infrastructure Solutions, Inc.; Invoice 17838; Domain Name Renewal.  
2/1/18; Infrastructure Solutions, Inc.; Invoice 17842; ALS Protocol Update Registrations.  
2/2/18; All Ambulance Services and Interested Parties; 2017 EMS Awards Application Process.  
2/6/18; Language Line Services; Invoice 4248030 for services rendered (no payment due).  
2/15/18; SCPD Course Sponsor; EMT-B Original Course Application for March 19 – May 17, 2018  
2/19/18; Infrastructure Solutions, Inc.; Invoice 17874; ALS Protocol Update Registrations.  
2/22/18; North Shore Ambulance & Oxygen Service, Inc. (O. Serrano); Revised Expansion of Operating Authority (EOA) Application.  
2/22/18; Huntington Community First Aid Squad; Installation Invite for the Chair.  
2/28/18; Suffolk County Volunteer Firefighters Burn Center Fund; solicitation for their annual “dollar for member” campaign.  
3/6/18; Language Line Services; Invoice 4268386; for February Services rendered (no payment due).  
3/8/18; Orlando Serrano (North Shore Ambulance & Oxygen Service, Inc.); acknowledging notification of Public Hearing Date and Location.  
3/12/18; Newsday; proof for approval; Legal Ad for Notice of Public Hearing reference EOA Application, along with Invoice 0021364260 for payment.  
3/12/18; 5Star Reporting; confirmation for stenographer appearances for April 5 and May 8 appearances.  
3/12/18; C. Ortiz; email stating he will be absent from meeting, alternate will attend.  
3/15/18; I. Levine; email transmittal of a February 15<sup>th</sup> letter from FILSEC nominating him for the 2018 term.  
3/20/18; Mike’s rag Time Pizza, Invoice for March Meeting Expenses

**Outgoing – date; to whom; subject**

1/5/18; North Shore Ambulance & Oxygen Service, Inc. (O. Serrano); email advising EOA Application reviewed, not complete, requesting additional information.  
1/9/18; Mike’s ragtime Pizza; check 951 for January meeting expenses.  
2/3/18; Sayville United Methodist Church (S. Stica); PAD Program Changes Notification.  
2/5/18; REMSCO Members; 2018 Committee Assignment Table.  
2/22/18; North Shore Ambulance & Oxygen Service, Inc. (O. Serrano); confirming receipt of two (2) original applications, one (1) electronic copy, and the application fee.  
2/22/18; Chair p. Cammann; Huntington Community First Aid Squad; Installation Invite.  
2/26/18; NYSDOH (D. Jonas); Upload of EOA Application submitted by North Shore Ambulance & Oxygen Service, Inc, with a request that the DOH perform the required Fitness & Competency on the CEO and the COO.  
3/1/18; Infrastructure Solutions, Inc.; Check 959; for Invoice 17874; ALS Protocol Update Registrations.  
3/1/18; Infrastructure Solutions, Inc.; Check 958 for Invoice 17866; monthly payment.  
3/1/18; Infrastructure Solutions, Inc.; Check 957 for Invoice 17838; Domain Name Renewal.  
3/1/18; Infrastructure Solutions, Inc.; Check 956 for Invoice 17842; ALS Protocol Update Registrations.  
3/1/18; Infrastructure Solutions, Inc.; Check 955 for Invoice 17833; ALS Protocol Update Registrations.  
3/1/18; Infrastructure Solutions, Inc.; Check 954 for Invoice 17832; ALS Protocol Update Registrations.  
3/1/18; Infrastructure Solutions, Inc.; Check 953; for Invoice 17829; monthly payment.  
3/1/18; Infrastructure Solutions, Inc.; Check 952; for Invoice 17803; monthly payment.  
3/7/18; Orlando Serrano (North Shore Ambulance & Oxygen Service, Inc.); notification of Public Hearing Date and Location.

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**Outgoing – date; from whom; subject**

3/8/18; Newsday; placement of Legal Ad for Notice of Public Hearing reference EOA Application.

3/12/18; Newsday; authorizing proof and payment information; Legal Ad for Notice of Public Hearing reference EOA Application.

3/12/18; REMSCO Members; email announcing postponement / rescheduling of March 13 REMSCO meeting due to impending winter storm.

3/15/18; P. Cammann and H. Rosenblum, email acknowledging receipt of I. Levins'a re-appointment letter from FILSEC for the 2018 term.

- Mr. Delagi stated that there was one correspondence on the distributed list requiring REMSCO action, submitted by the Suffolk County Volunteer Firefighters Burn Center, transmitting their annual "Dollar-Per-Member" fund raising campaign. Motion made by Mr. Boyd, seconded and passed to send \$250.00 donation.

End of March, 2018 Correspondence

**Education & Training – Dr. Pigott**

- Dr. Pigott reported on several Quality Improvement initiatives that he and Mr. Masterton were working on. This included several cases regarding STEMI 12 lead EKGs and pre-notifications, ETI cases and RSI cases. He continued by advising the REMSCO that cases are referred to the Division by Medical Control, receiving hospitals, and Ambulance Service QI Coordinators or Administrators. Each of the Division's QI endeavors is closely linked to educating EMS providers and ensuring that ongoing training opportunities are available to maintain competencies.

**Communications & Technology – I. Levine**

- In Mr. Levine's absence, Mr. Delagi stated that the on-line protocol update was very well received and the technology performed as expected, with favorable comments from EMS providers. Mr. Delagi continued by referencing the new webcasting equipment now in service, including some unexpected delays due to new technology and hardware interfaces for live audio-video streaming. The webcasting for this meeting was successful due to the Division borrowing equipment from staff. Mr. Delagi made a motion to approve up to \$375.00 for the purchase of needed equipment, seconded and approved.

**Nominations Committee – H. Rosenblum**

- Ms. Rosenblum advised that the only order of business before the committee was to approve FILSEC's just-received nomination of Mr. Levine to continue as their representative. Motion (Delagi), seconded and approved.

**Performance Improvement – A. Pellicone / B. Talmage**

- Mr. Pellicone led a discussion on the anticipated issuance of a "Transfer Summary Sheet" under development by the EMS Division to assist ambulance services using ePCR in complying with NY State DOH Policy that pertinent clinical information be left at the patient's bedside at time of ED transfer, pending the transmission of the completed ePCR record, asking Mr. Delagi to elaborate further. Mr. Delagi continued by advising that the ePCR approval process recognizes that, while its preferable to complete the ePCR and leave a complete written record at the hospital, there are times when that is not possible, and NY State Policy allows an agency to leave a written summary at time of transfer, and transmit the complete record, within a specific time frame.

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- The Division, in conjunction with the REMAC, worked on creating a document that contains limited information that the ED physicians felt most important to have at time of transfer, also citing concerns with accepting two (2) records that may contain different information. The Division will be releasing the form with instruction on its use shortly.

**Resource Needs – E. Boyd**

- Mr. Boyd reminded the REMSCO that the Public Hearing for the EOA Application submitted by North Shore Ambulance & Oxygen Service, Inc. has been scheduled for April 5, 2018, commencing 2:00 PM in the EMS Office Auditorium. Mr. Cammann reminded the REMSCO that the Determination Vote will take place at the May 8<sup>th</sup> meeting, and that all members, or their alternates, need to attend to ensure our voting quorum requirements are met.

**REMAC – Dr. Minnerop**

- Dr. Minnerop informed the REMSCO that there was robust discussion at the last meeting regarding hospital destination policy for patients suffering from large vessel occlusion stroke. The discussion centers on validity of EMS assessment, and physician-directed transport to a hospital capable of administering thrombolytic medication (Primary Stroke Center) or mechanical thrombectomy (Comprehensive Stroke Center). No policy changes are released at this time, and this remains a work-in-progress. Dr. Minnerop also briefly summarized the discussion and actions of the REMAC regarding the SCPD MedCat operations.

**Legislative – R. Franz**

- Mr. Franz stated that the Governor's Proposed Budget contains a revision to the Public Health Law. Section 2805-z, entitled Community Paramedicine Collaborative. This can be found on page 114 of Part 2, Subpart A. If passed, this would allow EMS providers to operate with specific controls in place, in a non-emergency environment. Mr. Delagi stated that this initiative is necessary, as is currently written in the Public Health Law, EMS providers may only provide direct patient care services in an emergency environment, on duty status with an ambulance service. The initiative is supported by SEMAC and SEMSCO, is permissive, not required, and will allow certified EMS providers to perform services, within their respective scope of practice, to prevent emergency department visits. This discussion is not new, however, the first necessary step in paving the way to expand EMS opportunities, is to change the law to allow non-emergency engagement. There are many more issues to overcome, including local policies for strict Ambulance Service Medical Director oversight, and collaborative agreements between hospitals, patients' primary physicians, and ambulance services throughout the community.

**PIO – E. Komosinski**

- As Mrs. Komosinski departed early due to a work assignment, Mr. Cammann reported on her behalf that all EMS Award Nominations have been collected and turned over to Mrs. McCormack and Mrs. Montrose for processing with the Executive Committee. Mrs. McCormack stated that there will be an Executive Committee meeting on April 10<sup>th</sup> scheduled to review applications and put forth regional nominations and honorable mention recipients consistent with the NY State submission deadlines. She advised the REMSCO that twenty seven (27) nominations were received, with at least two (2) nominations in each category, except for two (2), with no nominations.

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**State Council Delegate’s Report – R. Delagi**

- Mr. Delagi reported that there were no meetings since the January meeting, that he was prepared to attend the next series of meetings scheduled for May 14-16, 2018, and as customary, a written report will be provided.

**EMS DIVISION STAFF REPORT – R. Delagi, Dr. Pigott, Mike Masterton**

- Mr. Delagi introduced EMS Officer/Dep Chief James Deutsch, new addition to the Division staff, filling the position vacancy due to Mr. Masterton’s promotion, acknowledging his experiences in the system and with the Division as a per diem educator, as an asset to the Division’s mission. He continued by advising REMSCO that the position vacated by Marty Matuza’s January retirement, and the vacant temporary clerk/typist position have not yet been filled.
- Reported on recent Division activity, including: three (3) storm related EOC activations; ongoing planning with the USGA and Southampton Town regarding the US Open 2018 to be held at Shinnecock Hills Golf Course; and ongoing planning efforts with Peconic Bay Medical Center and multiple stakeholders for their active shooter full scale exercise and preparatory training offerings.
- Mr. Delagi continued by informing the REMSCO that the Division, FRES, Suffolk County Fire Academy, and the SCPD have expanded their long standing partnership to provide baseline active shooter training, ensuring consistency across EMS, fire service, and law enforcement communities, utilizing a standardized training presentation.
- Mr. Delagi stated he was pleased to report a new initiative, in partnership with Stony Brook University Hospital to test the utility of telemedicine, which uses real-time video links between field providers and Medical Control physicians. This is a small pilot project to start, with focus on patients with signs/symptoms of stroke in areas that are equidistant between primary stroke centers and hospitals capable of performing mechanical thrombectomy. He cited that there are EMS systems across the country that have implemented telemedicine capabilities, with implications that could streamline approach to burn care, RMAs, and for cases where patients may not need transportation to an emergency department.
- Mr. Delagi concluded his portion of the report by advising the REMSCO that the Health Department is conducting its required annual Medical Counter Measures Point of Dispensing functional exercise on May 9 between 1130 AM-130 PM, and was looking for volunteers to play the role of clients in need of medication, as a valuable opportunity to show the process that would be implemented in a localized or large scale public health emergency.
- In Mr. Masterton’s absence, alternate Dina Wayrich provide additional staff report, including: an overview of the progress and successes of the BLS 12 lead EKG program; and the additional of several new agencies into the BLS CPAP program.
- Mrs. Wayrich continued by advertising the annual Autism Awareness class, in partnership with Southampton Hospital and the Flying Point Foundation, scheduled for April 21<sup>st</sup>; and a summary of the recently completed EMT-B Core Content Preconference Workshop, in conjunction with FASNY’s annual downstate EMS Conference.

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- The report continued with a summary of the on-line ALS protocol Update Program, with additional update opportunities through one (1) face-to-face protocol update session occurring in January, with another planned for April 10<sup>th</sup>. The report concluded with announcement that the Division is completing one (1) EMT-CC refresher Course testing in April, maintaining two (2) EMT-CC Original Courses in progress now, and opening one (1) EMT-Paramedic Refresher course in April.
- She reminded all that per NY State policy, this is the last EMT-CC Original course, and there will be no more EMT-CC Refresher Courses after June 2019. For clarity, Mr. Delagi added that while these traditional classroom courses will end, currently practicing and active EMT-CCs will be able to refresh thorough Continuing Medical Education (CME) process indefinitely.

**Old Business**

- Mrs. McCormack began discussion on the progress thus far, made with the Thomas Lateulere Memorial Educational Conference, asking REMSCO members for feedback regarding four (4) critical areas, focusing on gaining consensus on: location; size; cost; and content. She emphasized that she was not looking for motions or a vote, but rather, lively discussion to gauge the sense of the REMSCO with the hopes of moving the project forward. Significant discussion yielded many good ideas and she'll work with the committee and report back.
- Switching to her role as Regional Trauma Coordinator, Mrs. McCormack showed a laminated card, developed with the use of grant money, for distribution to ambulance services and providers. The card acts as a quick reference guide focusing providers on the critical data elements of MVIT and 30 second trauma time out for bedside transfer, and is available to ambulance services by contacting the Regional Trauma Advisory Committee (RTAC) at Stony Brook University Hospital. The guide is provided as **attachment 2**.

**New Business**

There being no further business to come before the council, the Chair called for a motion to adjourn at 8:00 PM.

**Next meeting of the Suffolk Regional EMS Council will be on**  
**Tuesday, May 8, 2018**  
**7:00 PM**  
**Suffolk County EMS Offices**  
**360 Yaphank Avenue, Yaphank, NY 11980**

**ATTACHMENTS TO FOLLOW**

**Prepared for the Suffolk Regional EMS Council by Robert Delagi, Program Agency Director**

**SUFFOLK REGIONAL EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL**

**MEETING ATTENDANCE LIST**

Date: 3/20/18

Location: YAPHANK EMS OFFICE

Constituency	Representative / Alternate	Signature
UCP of Greater Suffolk	Robin Sadowski <i>LANE</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>
	Patricia Caso	
Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council	Linda Wenze, PhD.	<i>[Signature]</i>
	Wendy Darwell	
Commercial Transport Sector	Joe Micheels	<i>[Signature]</i>
East End Ambulance Coalition	Phillip Cammann	<i>[Signature]</i>
Fire Island Law Enforcement and Safety Coalition	Ian Levine	<i>Excused</i>
North Fork Volunteer Rescue Association	Helen Rosenblum, Esq	<i>[Signature]</i>
NYS Society of Physician Assistants	Mark Zender, PA-C	<i>Excused</i>
NYSVARA, District 7	Robert Franz	<i>[Signature]</i>
Hudson River Healthcare	Carlos Ortiz	<i>Excused</i>
	Angelo Viera	
Southampton Town EMS Advisory Committee	Bruce Hoffman	<i>[Signature]</i>
	Danton Kerz	
Suffolk County Ambulance Chiefs Association	Bruce Talmage	<i>Absent</i>
	Bobbi DeBono	<i>Bobbi DeBono</i>
Suffolk County Department of Health Services Commissioner	Mike Masterton	<i>[Signature]</i>
	Dina Wayrich	<i>[Signature]</i>
Suffolk County Community College	Matt Zukosky	<i>Absent</i>
	Jenna Canavan, RN	
Suffolk County EMS Coordinator	Bob Delagi	<i>[Signature]</i>
	Karl Klug	
Suffolk County EMS Medical Director	Gregson Pigott, MD	<i>[Signature]</i>
Suffolk County Emergency Nurses Association	Connie Kraft, RN	<i>Absent</i>
Suffolk County Fire Chiefs Council	Edward Boyd, Esq	<i>[Signature]</i>
Suffolk County Fire District Association	John Manzi	<i>Absent</i>
	Raymond Reilly	
Suffolk County FRES	Gregory Miniutti	<i>Excused</i>
	<del>Robert</del> Steven Januszkiwicz	<i>[Signature]</i>
Suffolk County FRES Commission	Bryan Prosek	<i>[Signature]</i>
	Frank Boneventre	
Suffolk County Legislature	Hon. Robert Calarco	<i>Absent</i>
	Bill Shilling	
Suffolk County Medical Control	Kevin Pesce	<i>Absent</i>
	Steve Slovensky	
Suffolk County Police Department	Scott Coyne, MD	<i>Excused</i>
	Angela Ferrara	





# Trauma Center Pre-Notification

- \_\_\_\_\_ Hospital, this is (EMS Agency) giving a TRAUMA PRE-NOTIFICATION
- Patient is a \_\_\_\_\_ year old male/female.
- ETA is \_\_\_\_\_ minutes. (Pre-notification at least 15 minutes out is ideal)
- Patient meets CDC Box 1 or 2 criteria: (Report all that apply)

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Patients meeting CDC Box 1 and 2 should be transported preferentially to the highest level of care within the trauma system. (2011 CDC Guidelines for Field Triage of Injured Patients)

<input type="checkbox"/> GCS < 13	<input type="checkbox"/> Amputation proximal to wrist or elbow
<input type="checkbox"/> Systolic BP < 90 mmHg	<input type="checkbox"/> Pelvic fracture
<input type="checkbox"/> Respiratory Rate < 10, or >29 or needing ventilator support (< 20 in infant)	<input type="checkbox"/> Open or depressed skull fractures
<input type="checkbox"/> Penetrating injury to head, neck, torso and extremity proximal to elbow or knee	<input type="checkbox"/> Paralysis
<input type="checkbox"/> Chest wall instability or deformity	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: (does not meet CDC criteria, but EMS provider feels that Trauma Pre-Notification is warranted, i.e. patient with tourniquet in place and stable VS, CPR in progress)
<input type="checkbox"/> Two or more proximal long bone fractures	
<input type="checkbox"/> Crushed, degloved, mangled or pulseless extremity	

## BEDSIDE REPORT in MVIT Format

<b>MVIT</b>	
<b>Mechanism</b>	<b>Brief description of MOI (age, gender if not done in trauma notification)</b>
<b>Vitals</b>	Lowest BP and Highest HR Current GCS, pupils
<b>Injury</b>	<b>Suspected or confirmed significant injuries</b>
<b>Treatment &amp; Timing</b>	ETT, IV's, chest decompression, tourniquets, pelvic binder, splints, CPR, etc. Response to treatment Duration of event or injury
<b>Other</b>	Known allergies, PMH, medications (especially anticoagulants or antiplatelet agents), special circumstances
<b>Questions</b>	Any questions? Solicited and answered by EMS provider

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**Trauma Centers to observe "30 seconds of silence" during EMS bedside report, during which time the patient is not touched or moved**