



21 April 2026

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD 21 APRIL 2026 MEETING MINUTES

EMSAB Members: Dave Chenault Laura Gifford Chris Jacks Mike Larson
 Victoria Johnson Jennifer Grinage Serena Tschirgi

EMSAB April 21, 2026, quarterly meeting called to order at 12:05 p.m. EMSAB members in attendance Victoria Johnson, Chris Jacks, Dave Chenault, Jennifer Grinage, and Serena Tschirgi. Mike Larson and Laura Gifford were in attendance as previous members and current applicants. Also present were Staff Liaison Greg Rightmier, and LFD Ambulance Billing Assistant, Amy Paris, who took notes.

Temporary Election of Chairperson made by those in attendance due to board member recertification's pending. Serena Tschirgi appointed by all in favor.

Active Agenda:

- Dave Chenault made a motion to approve the 01-27-2026 minutes, the motion was seconded by Chris Jacks and approved by the board.

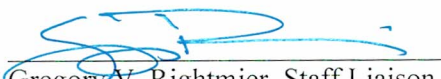



Unfinished & New Business:

- Ambulance Fee discussion for FY27 Budget
 - Fire Chief Rightmier opened up discussions in reference to the Ambulance Fees and the budget process coming up.
 - Fee Study was conducted and concluded by Ambulance Billing, Amy Paris. Results were distributed to the board.
 - Advisory board proposed that we increase all fees by 6.5% across the board to match labor cost increase, additionally round all numbers to whole numbers above 6.5%, and delete extrication fees.
 - Discussion was had as to the reason behind multiple patient fees. Consensus was made to delete this fee and charge both patients the full amount if they receive care.
 - Medical Convenience/Standby Time was discussed, and changes were made to the fee schedule to reflect how they will be charged moving forward. Fees are being based on the Idaho State Mobilization Rate with salary reimbursement either actual for mobilization or a weighted average for event standby.
 - A motion was made by Jennifer Grinage to approve all changes and fee's as presented on the document edited live during the meeting. Chris Jacks seconded and all approved by the board.
 - All fee requests will go to council for approval as part of the city's annual fee resolution.
- All Board members received updated notebook's and inserts for current notebooks.

- Out of Area Transport:
 - Chief Rightmier updated the advisory board on the city council's decision to continue with what we have been doing. We will update our city's procedures and policy SOP's.
 - LFD will continue to do facility education. Chief Rightmier is working with transport agencies that serve other hospitals in the area to handle their own transports to SJRMC
 - We will be exploring the use of ABN's in the near future.
- Staff Report:
 - Chief Rightmier updated the board on the PWW conference attended last week by Chief Lucas, Chief Rightmier and Ambulance Billing Amy Paris. All received their certifications and are looking forward to implementing best practices they have learned.
 - Life Flight Contract is back with them for signature
 - Paramedic program at ISU is doing well and in the final stretch. They are currently looking to have online classes with in person labs for the next years cadre.
 - SJRMC recently sold. They are now owned by Lifepoint who is the parent company for the previous owner, Scion Health.
 - Chief Rightmier reported the OBBB rural healthcare funding that is based per state. LFD will monitor both states for grant opportunities.

Meeting was Adjourned at 1:21 p.m. Motion made by Jennifer Grinage and seconded by Victoria Jackson. All Approved.

**NEXT EMSAB MEETING IS TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2026 AT 12:00 PM
IN THE STATION 1 TRAINING ROOM**

Submitted by:	 <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black;"/> Gregory V. Rightmier, Staff Liaison	 <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black;"/> Date
	 <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black;"/> Amy Paris, Recording Secretary	 <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black;"/> Date

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c: Tanya Brocke, City Clerk
 Dan Johnson, Mayor
 Jim Kleeburg, Council Liaison
 Jennifer Tengono, City Attorney