



**Monroe-Livingston Regional EMS Council  
Meeting Agenda  
November 18, 2024  
Livingston County EMS Base  
5582 Lake Road Avon, NY  
4PM**

Welcome by Chair Sam Tinelli -

- Pledge of Allegiance

Calling of the Roll: 18 Members Present

**Officer / Committee Reports:**

- Chairperson / Legislative Committee Sam Tinelli
  - Awaiting for contracts for both Program Agency and REMSCO;
  - Email from Director Greenberg regarding contract for URM as Program Agency will be effective September 18, 2024, a separate contract with MLREMS as Program Agency from July 1, 2024 to September 17, 2024.
- Vice Chair / NEG Committee Jon Smith :
  - REMAC At Large (Expires 3/31/26) Open Seat Election – Kara LaBarge MD.

Motion that the Secretary cast one vote for Kara LaBarge for the open REMAC seat.

Motion: T. Frost

Second: G. Kleuber

All Ayes

At the January 27, 2025 Council meeting, elections will take place for the following Council and REMAC seats.

Also election for Council Officers for the two year term of April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2027.

Letters of Intent to be sent to Jonathan Smith by January 10, 2025, NEG will meet January 21, 2025 to review and develop the slate of candidates.

- Council Elections
  - Monroe County At Large (Seat 1)
  - Monroe County At Large (Seat 2)
  - Livingston County At Large (Seat 1)

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- Livingston County At Large (Seat 3)
- Monroe County CON (Seat 1)
- REMAC Representative
- At Large EMS Agency (Seat 1)
- At Large EMS Agency (Seat 3)
- At Large EMS Agency (Seat 4)
- Monroe County BLSFR (Seat 1)
- Healthcare Representative (Seat 2)
- Healthcare Representative (Seat 3)
- REMAC Elections:
  - Voting Members
    - Noyes Hospital
    - Highland Hospital
    - Unity Hospital
    - URMC – Strong
    - At Large
  - Non-Voting Members
    - ALS Representative
    - BLS Representative
    - EMS Course Sponsor
    - At Large NYS Certified (Seat 2)
    - At Large NYS Certified (Seat 4)
    - At Large Open (Seat 1)
- Treasurer / Finance Committee Alex Cook: -
  - Review and motion for approval September, 2024 Finance Report  
Motion: J. Cushman                      Second: J. Smith                      All Ayes
  - Review and motion for approval October, 2024 Finance Report;  
Motion: J. Cushman                      Second: J. Smith                      All Ayes
  - We have received two payments from NYS for Program Agency open vouchers.
  - Another voucher is being processed this week;
  - NYS turnaround for payment on the first two vouchers has been very fast.
  - The audit for 2023/2024 fiscal year is now complete, no issues were identified.
  - The appropriate forms have been filed.
  - Alex to send to all Council members an updated breakdown on the balance and payments to date from NYS.

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- Secretary / Membership Committee James Cassin:
  - Motion to approve September 16, 2024 Council minutes;

Motion: T. Hutchings

Second: T. Kirchoff All Ayes

October 23, 2024, met with Mindy Cannuli and Ben Sensenbach to review the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2024/2025 Program Agency and REMSCO reports for NYS. Once we have contract numbers, we can send these to NYS for processing.

- Regional Medical Director – Jeremy Cushman
  - Pulsara Project is moving forward, will be implemented system wide vs one hospital at a time. 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2025.
  - QA Stroke and Falls Projects ongoing;
  - Pediatric Sub-Committee has been meeting regularly;
  - Airway Town meetings were well attended, especially the Friday evening session;
- SEMAC Representative Maia Dorset:
  - Will be the MLREMS representative going forward;
  - Her first meeting will be the December 3 & 4, 2024 in Troy, NY.
- SEMSCO Representative – Sam Tinelli:
  - Will be attending my first meeting will be the December 3 & 4, 2024 in Troy, NY.
- REMAC Aaron Farney:
  - Next meeting is December 16, 2025 at the PSTF.
- Training & Ed Chair Tim Hutchings:
  - For those that took the NEMSE course, please contact Tim for assistance with paperwork and internships;
  - November 20, 2024 will be a NYS Educator Town Hall meeting via webex;
  - Next T&E meeting is December 3, 2024;
- Systems Operations Chair Jon Smith:
  - Still awaiting clearance from Monroe County Legal on their feedback to the Draft Mutual Aid Plan, once that has occurred the Committee will work through that feedback;
- PIER Chair Geordie Klueber :

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- Received a request from John VanAucker from Finger Lakes REMSCO if MLREMS would be will to share our updated Awards criteria document. Council was supported in sharing documents with other REMSCO's.
- Livingston County EMS Coordinator Karen Dewar :
  - Radio update project is ongoing;
- Monroe County EMS Coordinator Tim Czapranski:
  - Excused, no report.
- E-PCR Committee – Ben Sensenbach & Jim Cassin
  - Update on proposed Regional Outcomes updates;
  - Committee members spoke on how and why the Committee make suggestions;
  - To help make better for EMS providers with simplification;
  - Discussion that since the Data Dictionary was implemented, not all agencies are participating;
  - Council does not authority to make mandatory;
  - Committee should be recognized for the work that they have been doing;

Motion: To rescind the current Pre-Hospital Data Policy of 2016 and going forward to be a Best Practice document for agencies to utilize to capture EMS Data.

Motion: J. Smith

Second: T. Kirchoff All Ayes

- Program Agency Ben Sensenbach:
  - No Program Agency statewide;
  - Per Director Greenberg, no changes in the deliverables in year 1 of the Program Agency Contracts;
  - Recording of MLREMS Committee meetings except for REMAC, this work has been done by PA staff, with the availability of AI with Zoom, there is the ability to have a transcript available quickly, also committee Chairpersons can have the ability to record, also screen share capabilities so PA staff would not have to attend all meetings, this gives great use of all people time to accomplish as much as possible. Council agreed with this process for greater benefits of meetings;
- State Actions;  
Wayne Allen
  - Certification summarily suspended pending a hearing on 11/14/24.
  - For alleged violations of 10 NYCRR Part 800.16(a)(10).

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- "...has misappropriated any money or any property from any source during the course of any EMS duty and/or practice, irrespective of whether such misappropriation is prosecuted as a crime..."

#### Davin Eshelman

- Certification suspended for one year effective 9/12/24. The suspension is stayed pending successful completion of three years' probation without further violations.
- Assessed a civil penalty of \$8,000. \$6,000 is suspended pending successful probation.
- Medical Director reports required 12/24, 12/25 and 12/26.
- For violations of 10 NYCRR Part 800.16(a)(13).
- "...has held him/herself out as being certified at a higher level than actually certified, or has exceeded his/her authorized scope of practice, as that term is defined in Section 800.3 of this Part..."

#### Tyler Fending

- Certification suspended for one year effective 9/10/24. The suspension is stayed pending three years successful probation.
- Assessed a civil penalty of \$2,000. \$1,000 is stayed pending successful probation.
- For violations of 10 NYCRR Part 800.15(a)(1), 800.15(a)(2), 800.15(a)(3), 800.16(a)(1) and 800.16(a)(13).
- "...comply with prehospital practice standards, applicable for the geographic region of the State in which the individual is practicing as established by National Emergency Medical Services Education Standards (2021), as published by the U.S. Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, which have been incorporated by reference in this section, a copy of which can be found online at EMS.gov - EMS Education Standards 2021. This publication is also available for public inspection and copying at the Regulatory Affairs Unit, New York State Department of Health, Corning Tower, Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12237..."
- "...other State-approved training curricula, and State-approved training standards, in accordance with section 800.20 of this Part ..."
- "...State-approved protocols developed by State and/or Regional Medical Advisory Committees pursuant to sections 3002-a and 3004-a of the Public Health Law ...:

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- "...has failed to comply with the requirements of Section 800.15 of this Part..."
- "...has held him/herself out as being certified at a higher level than actually certified, or has exceeded his/her authorized scope of practice, as that term is defined in Section 800.3 of this Part..."

➤ MLREMS items to be surplus;

Motion:

Second:

- Bureau of EMS – Brian Wiedman
  - No updates from the BEMS;
- Old Business – None
- New Business –
  - Website Discussion – this is an area of the budget that we might be able to reduce the cost by as much as 50% monthly. The needs of our website have lessened, as an example we no longer host the on-line training and tracking. Committee of Alex Cook and Geordie Kleuber to review and bring back recommendations to the Council.
  - Lauren Pierson brought forth a potential issue with providers calling URMC on phone lines that are not taped. Issue to be directed to REMAC Patient Safety for review.

Motion at 17:08 hours Council to go to executive session for discussion on the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation;

Motion: J. Smith

Second: J. Lindskoog

All Ayes

J. Cassin, B.Sensenbach and B. Wiedman excused from Executive session due to any perceived or potential conflict of interest.

17:20 Hours – B.Sensenbach and J.Cassin were asked to join the Executive Session.

Motion at 17:21 hours for Council to return to open session, with no action taken by Council in Executive session.

Motion: J. Smith

Second: J. Merdak

All Ayes

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- NYS DOH and Other Important Dates –
  - SEMAC and SEMSCO December 3 & 4, 2024 at the Hilton Garden Inn, Troy, NY.
- Next Council Meeting – Monday January 27, 2025 16:00 Hours at Livingston County EMS Base 5582 Lake Road Avon, NY.

Adjournment – at 17:22 hours

Motion: J. Smith

Second: T. Frost

All Ayes

Link to meeting video: <https://youtu.be/ZDw9ItBPGow>

Submitted'

James Cassin  
Secretary

Attachments:

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## 2024 MLREMS Meeting Attendance Record

Category	Name	Term Expires	2024-01	2024-03	2024-05	2024-06 #1	2024-06 #2	2024-07	2024-9	2024-11
Monroe County At Large - Seat 1	Arnold, William	3/31/25	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	E
At Large EMS Agency - Seat 4	Cassin, James	3/31/25	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Livingston County At Large - Seat 2	Cook, Alex	3/31/26	P	E	P	E	P	P	P	P
Monroe County CON - Seat 1	Coyle Thomas	3/31/25	P	E	P	P	P	P	E	E
Regional Medical Director	Cushman, Jeremy	Ex-Officio	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	P
Monroe County EMS Coordinator	Czapranski, Timothy	Ex-Officio	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	E
Livingston County EMS Coordinator	Dewar, Karen	Ex-Officio	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P
REMAC Representative	Farney, Aaron	3/31/25	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
At Large EMS Agency - Seat 3	Frost, Timothy	3/31/26	E	E	P	A	A	P	E	P
Monroe County At Large - Seat 2	Hutchings, Timothy	3/31/25	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P
Monroe County At Large - Seat 3	Kirchoff, Thomas	3/31/25	P	A	P	P	P	E	E	P
Livingston County - BLSFR	Klueber, Geordie	3/31/26	P	P	P	P	E	P	E	P
Livingston County At Large - Seat 1	Lindskoog, Jonathan	3/31/25	P	P	E	E	P	E	E	P
EMS Training / Education	Martin, Amanda	3/31/28	P	A	V	V	V	V	P	E
Monroe County At Large - Seat 4	Merdak, Jessee	3/34/28	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Healthcare Representative - Seat 3	Nugent, Brandon	3/31/25	V	P	E	P	E	P	E	P
Monroe County CON - Seat 2	Perez, Andrew	3/31/28	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P
Healthcare Representative - Seat 1	Pierson, Lauren	3/31/26	P	P	P	A	A	P	E	P
Law Enforcement	Rathfelder, Eric	3/31/26	E	P	P	P	E	E	P	A
Livingston County At Large - Seat 3	Rose, Meghann	3/31/25	E	V	V	V	V	V	P	P
At Large EMS Agency - Seat 2`	Smith, Jonathan	3/31/26	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Livingston County CON -	Tinelli, Samuel	3/31/26	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
At Large EMS Agency - Seat 1	Witkowski, Michael	3/31/25	V	V	V	V	V	V	P	P
Healthcare Representative - Seat 2	Vacant	3/31/28	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V
Community Representative	Vacant	3/31/28	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V
Monroe County - BLSFR	Vacant	3/31/28	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V

**Attendance Legend :**      **Present = P**                  **Absent = A**                  **Excused = E**                  **Vacant = V**

**Attendance for Quorum:**      **Quorum = 13 Members**                  **Super Majority = 17 Members**