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June 11, 2026 - Zoom Meeting Minutes (recorded)

The meeting was called to order by Chair Nick Walsh at 10:03am.

It was announced that a quorum was present.

Attendees: Beck Stermer, Bill Harris, Brian Nevi, Brook Moser, Chad Fransson, Connor Smith, Dawn Stobaugh, Debbie Ries, Josh Pelonio, Kelly Pearson, Kim Royer, Paul Williams, Robin Stimac, Ryan Keay, Sarah Brouwer, Scott Williams, Shawneri Guzman, Stephanie Bullard.

NREMS STAFF: Greg Perry

NREMS COUNCIL BUSINESS

Approve: 6/11/26 Draft Council Agenda: Motion to approve the draft agenda was made by Paul Williams and seconded by Shawneri Guzman. There were no objections or changes and the motion passed unanimously.

Approve: 3/12/26 Council Meeting Minutes: Motion to approve was made by Paul Williams and second by Kim Royer. There were no objections or changes and the motion passed unanimously.

Finance Budget and Audit Review

The council approved the financial packet after Greg Perry reported a \$64,887 favorable year-to-date variance, noted a \$70,000 transfer to a new Key Bank account, and confirmed the financial report by motion. Greg presented a draft FY27 budget and estimated retained earnings/carryforward of approximately \$7,765. He highlighted administrative line items and program grant balances, including \$18,729 paid and \$6,271 remaining owed to West Whidbey for an EMS class. Members discussed whether to continue external bookkeeping; Greg recommended keeping the bookkeeper to satisfy audit requirements and limit risk despite low transaction volume. Scott Williams (DOH) cautioned that proposed administrative expenses exceed the Department of Health administrative allocation and reminded the council that program funds cannot be used for administration under the contract. He offered assistance interpreting the contract or meeting with the council. The council agreed to return the budget and admin/program split to the board for further work and coordinate with Scott on options, including prior-year admin reserves or seeking a DOH waiver or allocation change. Shawneri Guzman motioned to approve all finances except for the FY27 budget, and it was seconded by Dr. Keay. The motion passed unanimously without opposition.

NEW BUSINESS

Strategic Plan: Since the presenter was unable to make this meeting, his report will be given at the next meeting.

IVP Grants: The council approved publishing an RFP for FY27 injury and prevention grants on the council website for approximately six weeks once finalized. Greg reviewed new DOH 50-50 grant guidance, explained funding mechanics with a helmet example, and stated finalized DOH waiver and in-kind waiver



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documents will be attached to the RFP. The RFP schedule was set: proposals due July 30, grant review committee evaluation mid-August, council recommendations early September, and applicant notifications by September 11, 2026. Debbie Ries motioned to approve the RFP and it was seconded by Shawneri Guzman. The motion carried without objection. Greg will post on the website by end of next week.

Bylaw changes and revisions: Greg presented some bylaws changes and revisions since the last review was in 2011. He proposed a membership matrix expanding voting positions to 36. All positions were reviewed and approved with adjustments. Specific membership changes were recorded (e.g., Chief Harris moved to an Island County pre-hospital voting seat; Shawneri Guzman onboarded for Snohomish pre-hospital; Ginette Washington replaced by Brook Mosier). The matrix showed 24 of 36 voting positions filled (67%), below the ~70% strategic target. Josh Polenio suggested we increase emergency management and other by one additional slot. The council agreed. Paul Williams motioned to approve the new bylaws and it was seconded by Kelly Pearson. The motion passed unanimously without objection.

Announcements/Assignments/Adjournment:

The next meeting is scheduled for September 10, 2026 @ 10:00am.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:48am.