

**JEFFERSON COUNTY EMS WORKING GROUP  
MINUTES**

**April 8th, 2026**

**Jefferson County Courthouse**

**311 S Center Ave Rm C2063**

**Jefferson, WI 53549**

**1. Call To Order**

Bruce Degner called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

**2. Roll Call**

**EMS Working Group Members Present in Person:** Bruce Degner, Jenifer Quimby, Bruce Peterson, Travis Maze, Kim Cheney, Drake Daily, Laura Payne, Ron Wegner, and John Kannard

**Absent:** Dwayne Morris

**EMS Working Group Members Present via Teams:** Tanya Reynen, Dr. Chris Wistrom, Kyle Ellefson, Kim Cheney

**Others Present via Teams:** Danielle Thompson and Spokes Person from Town of Palmyra

**Others Present:** Michael Luckey, Rebecca Houseman, Megan McBride, Abigail Karbusicky, Rebecca Houseman, and Jess Holmes

**3. Certification of compliance to open meeting law**

Luckey certified compliance

**4. Review Agenda**

Motion by Kannard, Seconded by Quimby to approve agenda as written. Motion passed

**5. Public Comment**

None

**6. Communications**

None

**7. Approval of March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2026, Meeting**

Draft minutes were provided for review

Motion by Kannard to approve, seconded by Daily. Motion carried.

**8. UniverCity Alliance Update**

Megan McBride presented updates from Master of Business students. She shared dashboard graphs that were created to measure call volumes, response times, department breakdowns, financials and staffing models. Final student presentations will be April 28<sup>th</sup> or 30<sup>th</sup> and May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2026

**9. Discussion on Mill Rate Calculation and Population/Equalized Value**

Luckey prepared handouts that charted EMS Payment by Service Provider based on population and equalized value in addition to EMS Payment by Municipality based on population and equalized value

**10. Open Discussion: Community and Department Profile and Future Outlook**

Luckey spoke of long-range planning and supplemental needs moving forward and will research Innovation/Supplemental Grant options. McBride offered to have the MSBA students refine a scenario for a funding and analysis tool in addition to investigating overtime cost data points

**11. Case Study: Shared & Contracted Service (Luckey)**

No Discussion

**12. Discussion on Next Steps, Timeline, and Other Miscellaneous Matters**

Luckey made mention of how a possible levy could be presented to County taxpayers if approved. Wegner communicated that the current MABAS radio systems be updated in the future.

**The Next Meeting on May 13th, 2026 Will Be Rescheduled: Date to Come**

**13. Adjourn**

Motion by Kannard, seconded by Wegner. Meeting adjourned at 10:43 a.m.