TOOELE COUNTY RESOLUTION 2019-16

A RESOLUTION REORGANIZING THE TOOELE COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) COUNCIL

WHEREAS, Tooele County has previously established the Tooele County Emergency Medical Services Council; and

WHEREAS, it has been recommended that the Tooele County EMS Council be reorganized to establish a more diverse membership for the Council; and

WHEREAS, these changes are deemed to be in the best interest of the emergency medical services within Tooele County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOOELE COUNTY COMMISSION AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I. REORGANIZATION OF THE TOOELE COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) COUNCIL. The Tooele County Emergency Medical Services Council (hereafter "EMS Council" or "Council") is hereby reorganized and from the effective date hereof shall consist of the members designated in Section II below. The Tooele County Commission recognizes the reorganized Tooele County EMS Council as the legitimate entity within Tooele County that has authority to formulate policy for the provision of emergency medical services. This resolution shall supersede the previously designated or appointed members of the EMS Council under Resolution 93-20, Resolution 2002-01, and Resolution 2014-17.

SECTION II. COMPOSITION AND APPOINTMENT OF EMS COUNCIL MEMBERS. The Tooele County EMS Council shall have the following representation, which members shall be appointed as follows:

- a. One medical director representative.
- b. One hospital administrator appointed by each resource hospital.
- c. One emergency room nurse/clinical representative.
- d. One representative from each licensed ground and air EMS provider agency.
- e. One public safety representative appointed by the Tooele County Law Enforcement Executive Directors (LEEDS) association to represent all public safety agencies in Tooele County.
- f. One representative appointed by the Tooele County Fire Chief's Association to represent all fire agencies in Tooele County.
- g. One representative appointed by the Tooele County Emergency Management Department.
- h. One representative from the Tooele County Health Department appointed by the Tooele County Health Officer.
 - i. One Tooele County designee appointed by the Tooele County Commission.
 - j. One EMS dispatch representative appointed by the Sheriff.
 - k. One at-large member from the local community appointed by the Council.

Voting membership in the Council may be petitioned by any agency or association involved in EMS upon approval of the Council. Voting membership may be withdrawn by a similar vote by the Council.

The following appointees shall serve as Advisory Members:

a. One behavioral health representative chosen by providing agencies.

b. The Tooele County Lead Case Investigator appointed by the State Medical Examiner's Office.

Appointees shall serve at the will of the appointing authority and until such time as they may be replaced by the appointment of another person to fill their position.

Appointments shall be verified in writing by the appointing authority.

SECTION III. ORGANIZATION OF EMS COUNCIL. The Tooele County EMS Council shall be presided over by a chairperson who shall serve a term of two (2) years. The Council shall biannually elect a chairperson-elect from its council members who shall serve a term of four (4) years. The first two (2) years shall be served as chairperson-elect, and the second two (2) years shall be served as chairperson. The chairperson-elect shall preside in the absence of the chairperson.

If a chairperson resigns prior to the fulfillment of their two-year term, the chairpersonelect shall immediately begin their two-year term as chairperson and a new chairperson-elect shall be elected by the Council.

The Tooele County EMS Council may elect such other officers from its members as it deems necessary and shall establish its own rules of procedure, bylaws, and regular meeting schedule in order to carry out its purposes and authority, provided that said rules or bylaws are not in conflict with the provisions of this resolution or State rules or regulations. Copies of all proposed rules and bylaws shall be submitted to the Tooele County Commission for comment prior to adoption and shall, after adoption, be provided to the Tooele County Commission and the State Bureau of Emergency Medical Services. The Council shall provide minutes of all meetings and a brief annual report to the Tooele County Commission and State Emergency

Medical Services Committee. The Tooele County EMS Council shall also provide on an annual basis a roster of members and their meeting schedule to the Tooele County Commission and the State Bureau of Emergency Medical Services.

SECTION IV. AUTHORITY OF EMS COUNCIL. The Tooele County EMS Council shall:

- a. Serve as a focal point for discussion of emergency medical service issues in Tooele County;
- b. Evaluate, in cooperation with the State Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, the availability and quality of emergency medical services in Tooele County;
- c. Prepare a Tooele County EMS plan based upon State EMS rules and recommendations of the State Bureau of Emergency Medical Services for appropriate codification in Tooele County ordinances;
- d. Evaluate the need for proposed new services or upgrading of existing services and make recommendations to the State EMS Committee;
- e. Establish appropriate rules and best practices in compliance with the State EMS rules for agencies operating within Tooele County;
- f. Provide opportunity for interagency conflict resolution and/or mediation between Tooele County EMS agencies;
- g. Review and prioritize all State EMS competitive grant program applications originating within Tooele County;
- h. Exercise any authority or responsibility delegated to it by the State Department of Health or State Emergency Medical Services Committee; and

i. Appropriately recognize outstanding achievements, events, and personnel within Tooele County.

SECTION V. VOTING PROCEDURES OF EMS COUNCIL. All voting members may cast only one vote on any given issue regardless of multiple affiliations. Written proxy authorizations are acceptable for voting purposes. All matters brought before the Tooele County EMS Council require a simple majority approval of all voting members present.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Tooele County, State of Utah, this 29 day of October 2019.

ATTEST:

TOOELE COUNTY COMMISSION:

TOM TRIPP, Chairman

Commissioner Milne voted

Commissioner Thomas voted

Commissioner Tripp voted

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Tooele County Attorney