



AMHERST COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES COUNCIL

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EMERGENCY DIAL 911

MEETING MINUTES APRIL 14, 2021

Location: County Administration Building @1900

In attendance:

Monelison Fire -	Jason Friend, Jamie Ayers, Steve Owen
Monelison Rescue-	Jim Fontaine
Pedlar Fire -	George Napier
Amherst Fire-	Steve Drummond
Amherst Life Saving-	Charlsea Goodin
Public Safety -	Sam Bryant
911 Communications-	Debbie Campbell, Bill Hardwick
Board of Supervisors	Jimmy Ayers

I. The ESC Meeting was called to order at 1900 hours by Steve Drummond

II. Invocation - Jason Friend
Pledge of Allegiance - All

III. Approval of Minutes of January 13, 2021 Meeting:

Motion made to approve minutes of January 13, 2021– Jason Friend
Motion seconded by Sam Bryant

Unanimous Vote to approve.

There was no public citizen comment.

IV. New Business:

- a.** Jamie Ayers would like to get with all departments and try to set a monthly training schedule for all departments to get together and train.
Per Steve Drummond, Amherst Fire Department trains every month
Per Jaimie Ayers, quarterly training together
Motion made by Jason Friend to nominate Jamie Ayers to be a County Coordinator for training (county wide training). Motion seconded by Sam Bryant.
Unanimous Vote to approve.

- b. Budget for turnout gear need to be raised.

At end of budget schedule. This would be for the following year (2021-2022). Discussion on new gear and to have extra gear for a new member. Jason friend would like to up amount to pay for three (3 sets). Sam Bryant will ask Stacey Wilkes if **Resume or Rescue ? America Funding** .

- c. ESC minutes being distributed to department heads within a timeframe after meeting. (I know Marcia is out so may be after she returns)

Minutes are posted on-line. Get with Sam Bryant for directions to find.

- d. RIT what do we have to do to implement this in Amherst County? There is a lot to do to get this ready not just talk about it. Training, dispatching,

Per Steve Owen, people need to be trained. May day? Need to provide baseline vitals for all members. Each agency can do at meeting. Members can stop by to have career staff to vitals if miss meeting.

- e. Social Media

Need to be careful – can be sued. Need guidelines.

- f. Recreational Marijuana

Cannot use marijuana when on duty. Can do random testing.

- g. Station 3 EMS unit

MVFD – onboard to move forward

MOU – being worked on – 24-hour station

Discussion of needs for building

V. **Old Business:**

- a. Election of officers 2021
- b. Meeting Schedule 2021 – Next meeting July 14, 2021
- c. Mountain bikes status on training
Sam Bryant communicating with Outback Motor for training.

VI. **Matters from the floor:**

- a. Per Steve Owens-

190 Phelps Road-Call for smoke in building. Residents not aware. Person on 3rd floor in wheelchair. Elevator not working. What can be done? Owner has changed. Sam Bryant to discuss with Nate Young in AC Building & Inspections.

Action plan to shut down highway. Problems with people trying to go through or around. Block road with fire truck.

b. Membership at Monelison ask:

500 gallon diesel tank at Monelison. Monelison to pay for tank. County still pay for fuel. Sam Bryant to ask Wayne.

MFD – Front apron needs to be replaced as well as back area.

Bay doors need replacing.

Pavement - \$36,000

Bay Doors- \$15,000

Cost - \$51,000

Asking for money from ATL funding

\$13,618 – from ESC

Motion to allocate \$13618 from ESC to replace bay doors. Seconded by Steve Drummond.

c. Lift Assist:

Fire need to ask EMS if they can help. EMS needs to evaluate patient and complete run report

d. Per Sam Bryant – 130,000 immunizations given in area. If need, do it now. This will end in May.

e. Mentor young members.

f. Turn out gear needs- Let Sam Bryant know.

g. BREMS – state employees now – looking for a new place.

h. Jason Friend-commended 911 Communications for job well done.

VII. Upcoming Training:

- a. Airport Exercise – April 24, 2021 – 8:00 am
- b. EVOG – VAVRS
- c. Airport – April 22, 2021 Firefighting at night

VIII. Adjournment:

Motion to Adjourn-Jason Friend
Seconded -