















AMHERST COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES COUNCIL

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MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 12, 2022

Location: County Administration Building @1900

In attendance:

Monelison Fire - Joey Malott Monelison Rescue- R.W. Woody

Jim Fontaine

Pedlar Fire - George Napier
Amherst Fire- Steve Drummond
Amherst Life Saving- Charlsea Goodin
Public Safety - Sam Bryant
Board of SupervisorVA Dept of Forestry- Gary Hall-Matson

- I. The ESC Meeting was called to order at 1900 hours by Joey Malott
- II. Pledge of Allegiance All Invocation Sam Bryant
- **III.** Approval of Minutes of October 12, 2021:

Motion made to approve minutes of October 12, 2021– R.W Woody Motion seconded by Steve Drummond Unanimous Vote to approve.

There was no public citizen comment.

IV. New Business:

1. Election of Chair and Vice Chair for 2022

Joey Malott nominated for Chair position by R. W. Woody Seconded by Sam Bryant Unanimous Vote to approve.

Steve Drummond nominated for Vice Chair position by R. W Woody Seconded by Charlsea Goodin.
Unanimous vote to approve.

2. Butch Shaw, Liaison US Forestry Service and Gary Hall- Matson Forestry Technician, James River Work Area spoke of their capabilities. Area still classified as "Abnormal Drought to Moderate Drought". Burn Ban upcoming February 15 – April 30, 2022. Working to educate residences to be Fire Wise and to prepare home sites. Example given that on Tobacco Road Mountain there are now 24 private residences. Preplan for potential fires in effect for Wintergreen.

Training:

January 20 @ 6:30 pm -Pedlar Fire Dept. February 24 @ 6:30 pm-Amherst Fire Department

3. Status of Monelison Station #3

Per J. Fontaine: Awaiting quotes for painting the bays. To date, expenditures (~\$55,000) still within the budgeted amount of \$63,000.

New windows and doors ordered. Expected about 1st part of February.

V. Matters from the floor:

- 1. R. W. Woody, Medic 50 in need of extensive repairs to cost \$4200. R.W. requests that a request to be submitted for payment from the Emergency Fund for this repair. Seconded by Sam Bryant. Unanimous approval.
- 2. Charlsea Goodin would like to see more EMS Training for the Volunteers. Use to have free on-line training for people but becoming less and less. Certification is the responsibility of the individual.

EMT Instructors are: Charlsea Goodin, Joey Greer, Sarah Mullins and Part-time Sean Wood.

Gretna Fire and Rescue is holding a "Super Weekend" in February.

Danville is holding a "Super Weekend" in March.

Suggested that a Wildlife Class S130 & S190 be added to Fire Academy.

Public Safety giving two (2) radios to be installed into 2 Forestry Trucks.

Fire Academy – Fire Fighter I Class nearing completion. Will be a break in class schedule. No classes scheduled now until Fall of 2022.

- 3. New Medic 3 due to Amelia on January 17, 2022.
- 4. New Board of Supervisor Member Drew Wade.
- 5. Apparatus Replacement Schedule:

Pedlar Fire Department – Squad Engine Amherst Fire Department-Tanker

Annierst Fire Department-Tanker

Monelison Fire Department-Engine

VI. Adjournment:

Motion to Adjourn- R. W. Woody Seconded – Steve Drummond

Unanimous Vote to adjourn

Possible December Meeting to be discussed later. If held, it would be December 8, 2021.