



AMHERST COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES COUNCIL

**119 Taylor Street
Amherst, Virginia 24521
(434) 946-9307
EMERGENCY DIAL 911
MEETING MINUTES
January 11, 2023**

Location: County Administration Building @ 1800

In attendance:

Monelison Fire -	Joey Malott
Amherst Fire-	Steve Drummond
Pedlar Fire -	George Napier
Amherst Life Saving-	Charlsea Goodin
Public Safety -	Brad Beam
	Jarred Scott
	Ben Bond
Board of Supervisors-	Jimmy Ayers
VA Dept. of Forestry-	Gary Hall-Matson

- I. The ESC Meeting was called to order at 18:03 hours by Joey Malott.
- II. Invocation – Jimmy Ayers
Pledge of Allegiance – All Attendees
- III. Approval of October 2022 and December 2022 Meeting Minutes

Motion made to approve minutes of October 2022 and December 2022 Meeting Minutes by Steve Drummond. Seconded by Charlsea Goodin.
Motion carried.

- IV. Old Business:
 - a. Steve Drummond and Gary Hall-Matson reminded everyone of the upcoming Area Command class being hosted at Amherst Fire Department on January 18, 2023.
- V. New Business:
 - a. Election of Chair and Vice Chair for 2023

Joey Malott made motion for Steve Drummond for Chair position. Motion seconded by Brad Beam. Motion carried.

George Napier made motion for Joey Malott to be Vice Chair. Motion seconded by Steve Drummond. Motion carried.

- b. Motion by Joey Malott to request 10 SCBA bottles from Public Safety. Seconded by Steve Drummond. Motion carried.
- c. Motion by Steve Drummond for Brad Beam to send an email to the Fire chiefs to set up a meeting to begin the process of a countywide SOC team with a focus on swift water and search and rescue. Motion seconded by Steve Drummond.
- d. A request was made to discuss a collaborative approach to this year's Forestry Grant. Motion carried.

VI. Matters from the floor:

- a. Charlse Goodin asked the ESC to refund Amherst Life Saving Crew for work on their generator to include a new fuel system at a cost of \$6,396.58. Carter Cat will do the work. Motion made by Steve Drummond and second by Joey Malott to refund amount. Motion carried.
- b. Gary Hall-Matson reminded everyone that fire session starts on February 15th and runs until April 30th.
- c. Gary Hall- Matson plans to do a forestry review course for the county in the next month.
- d. Gary reminded everyone that Longwood Forestry Training registration will open soon.

VII. Adjournment:

Motion made to adjourn made by Steve Drummond.

Motion seconded by Joey Malott.

Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 19:07.

Next meeting – Wednesday, April 12, 2023 at 1800.



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**119 Taylor Street
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SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
February 28, 2023**

Location: County Administration Building @ 1800

In attendance:

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| Monelison Fire - | Joey Malott, Chief |
| Amherst Fire- | Steve Drummond |
| Pedlar Fire - | George Napier, Chief |
| Amherst Life Saving- | Charlsea Goodin |
| Public Safety - | Brad Beam |
| | Jarred Scott |
| | Ben Bond |
| Guest- | Jamie Ayers |

- I. The Special Meeting of the Emergency Services Council was called to order by Chair Steve Drummond.
- II. Guest Jamie Ayers led prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Discussion was brought up by Amherst Fire Department Assistant Chief, Steve Drummond to ask the County for \$325,000 from the ESC Capital Fund carryover to use for the construction of a Fire Training Facility that would be located on land already owned by Amherst County. Each Fire Department and Amherst Rescue discussed their support and the reasons this would be great for Fire/EMS in Amherst County.
- IV. Steve Drummond made the motion and Joey Malott seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- V. Adjournment:
Motion made to adjourn at 18:33 by Joey Malott and seconded by Steve Drummond.
Motion carried unanimously.