

# Hartsville/Trousdale County Government Emergency Services Committee

## Minutes

March 9, 2021 / 6:00 P.M. / Trousdale County Courthouse

The Emergency Services Committee met Mar. 9, 2021 in the second floor courtroom conducting the meeting virtually with the option of up to 10 people at 6:00 P.M.

### Members Present:

David Nollner, Chairman

Bill Ferguson, Vice Chairman

Rachel Jones, Secretary

Matthew Batey, EMS/EMA Director

Gary Walsh, Commissioner

Ken Buckmaster, Commissioner

Dwight Jewell, Chairman Commission ( Virtual )

Mary Ann Baker, Commissioner

Jay Woodard, Fire Chief

Bill Hunt

Chris Gregory, Editor, Hartsville Vidette

Joe Mirasadshanow, Citizen

Bryan King, Citizen

Mayor Stephen Chambers

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Nollner and roll was called. A motion was made to agree to hold the meeting virtually due to the COVID-19 pandemic by Vice Chair Bill Ferguson. Seconded by Comm. Jones. Motion carried.

1. Minutes from the previous Emergency Services Committee meeting were reviewed and seeing no corrections to be made a motion to approve the minutes as written was made by Joe Mirasadshanow. Seconded by Bill Hunt. Minutes approved.
2. Fire Chief Jay Woodard discussed the progress in purchasing a new Brush Truck for the Fire Department. Chief Woodard stated he had talked to 3 vendors about bids for the new Brush truck. All 3 vendors fit within the HGAC guidelines. Chief Woodard is waiting for the vendors to contact him with numbers for the bid.  
Chief Woodard also discussed the new updated training schedule with tentative dates for the Fire Department. All the training would be in Trousdale County except for the live burns. With the proposed training, all of the Fire Department could test for and become Fire Fighter 1 certified by December, 2021. Vice Chair Ferguson asked if there were state funding to help compensate the Fire Department with their training. Chief Woodard stated that there may be some available.
3. EMS Director Matt Batey discussed that he was still looking at vehicles for the new ambulance and that he was leaning towards the GMC. Estimated cost is still between \$190,000 and \$200,000 but he would have more information in 2 weeks.
4. Mayor Chambers stated that there would likely be a Budget Amendment coming forthwith for radios for the Fire Department. Money from the Local Government Support Group would be used for most of the purchase.
5. Public Comments

The public was asked if there was anyone who wanted to make any public comments.

Chief Jay Woodard took this time as an opportunity to invite the public to the Fire Department's training scheduled for 3/11/2021. Chief Woodard stated this meeting was to kick off the training schedule. He also stated that the Fire Department meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month at 6:30 and the public is always welcome. Chief Woodard stated that he had 2 new recruitments Alex Smith and Steven Staggs. Also, that the Fire Department did have a loss of Danny Sullins. Mr. Sullins had been a part of the Hartsville Fire Department for 18 years and would be missed.

6. Seeing and hearing no further business or comments, Comm. Gary Walsh made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Comm. Jones. The meeting adjourned at 6:41 P.M.