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GEORGIA TRAUMA COMMISSION

Georgia Trauma Commission EMS Committee Meeting Minutes

November 12, 2025, 11:00 A.M.

Virtual Meeting

Zoom

Recording: <https://youtu.be/bpU-5fKldAc>

Attachments: trauma.ga.gov

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT	COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT
Courtney Terwilliger, Chair, GTC Member	Allen Owens, Region Eight
Lee Oliver, Vice-Chair, Region Five	Brian Hendrix, Region Nine
Scott Stephens, Region One	Terry Cobb, GTC Member
Jeff Adams, Region Two	
Pete Quinones, Region Three GTC Member	
Scott Roberts, Region Four	
John Smith, Region Six	
Duane Montgomery, Region Seven	
Huey Atkins, Region Ten	
Dr. James "J" Smith, GTC Member	

STAFF & OTHER ATTENDEES PRESENT	REPRESENTING
Liz Atkins	Georgia Trauma Commission
Katie Vaughan	Georgia Trauma Commission
Gabriela Saye	Georgia Trauma Commission
Gina Solomon	Georgia Trauma Commission
Crystal Shelnutt	Georgia Trauma Commission
Rachel Hand	Region 4 RTAC
Heather Morgan	Piedmont Athens Regional
Thomas Tucker	Representation Unknown

CALLED AGENDA ITEMS

CALL TO ORDER

Courtney Terwilliger called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM on Thursday, September 18, 2025, with 10 members present.

EMS EQUIPMENT GRANTS- SPECIAL REQUESTS

Presented By Courtney Terwilliger

The chair noted that this special meeting was called to address a single agenda item, reviewing and voting on special requests related to the EMS equipment grant. Gabby had previously distributed the applications (**Attachment A**) and a spreadsheet summary (**Attachment B**), and the workgroup agreed to review each variance request individually, allowing for a motion, a second, discussion, and a final decision for each item. The group also determined that if the Ring Rescue Kit was approved for one agency, identical requests from other agencies would not require separate consideration, as the approval would apply broadly. It was further clarified that approving an item during this meeting did not automatically add it to the pre-approved equipment list; any updates to that list would need to be addressed in a full committee meeting.

MOTION GTCNC EMS COMMITTEE 2025-11-01:

Motion to approve the Houston County EMS request for Meret Omni Pro X Jump Bag

MOTION BY: Scott Roberts

SECOND BY: Jeff Adams

VOTING: All members are in favor of the motion.

ACTION: The motion ***PASSED*** with no objections nor abstentions

OUTCOME: Houston County's request to purchase jump bags was approved.

MOTION GTCNC EMS COMMITTEE 2025-11-02:

Motion to approve the Henry County Fire Rescue request for the Ring Rescue Kit

MOTION BY: Scott Roberts

SECOND BY: John Smith

VOTING: All members are in favor of the motion.

ACTION: The motion ***PASSED*** with no objections nor abstentions

OUTCOME: Henry County Fire Rescue's request to purchase the ring rescue kit was approved

NOTE: This establishes approval for the same item requested later by the City of Morrow.

MOTION GTCNC EMS COMMITTEE 2025-11-03:

Motion to deny the Wayne County EMS request for the Axom Body Camera

MOTION BY: Scott Roberts

SECOND BY: Jeff Adams

VOTING: All members are in favor of the motion.

ACTION: The motion ***PASSED*** with no objections nor abstentions

OUTCOME: Wayne County's request to purchase body cameras was not approved.

MOTION GTCNC EMS COMMITTEE 2025-11-04:

Motion to deny the Clayton County Fire & Emergency Services request for the 4-Year Transport Ventilator Service Agreement

MOTION BY: Scott Roberts

SECOND BY: Jeff Adams

VOTING: All members are in favor of the motion.

ACTION: The motion ***PASSED*** with no objections nor abstentions

OUTCOME: Clayton County's Fire & Emergency Services' request to pay for the ventilator service agreement was not approved.

MOTION GTCNC EMS COMMITTEE 2025-11-05:

Motion to approve the AmeriPro EMS (Cook County) request for the Super Handy GoRise 500lb Patient Lift

MOTION BY: Scott Roberts

SECOND BY: none offered

VOTING:

ACTION: The motion **FAILED** for lack of a second, request considered not approved

OUTCOME: AmeriPro (Cook County) request to purchase the patient lift was not approved.

MOTION GTCNC EMS COMMITTEE 2025-11-06:

Motion to deny the Dooly County EMS request for disposable wound care supplies

MOTION BY: Lee Oliver

SECOND BY: Scott Roberts

VOTING: All members are in favor of the motion.

ACTION: The motion **PASSED** with no objections nor abstentions

OUTCOME: Dooly County's request to purchase wound care supplies was not approved.

MOTION GTCNC EMS COMMITTEE 2025-11-07:

Motion to deny the Dooly County EMS request for disposable intravenous supplies

MOTION BY: Scott Roberts

SECOND BY: Jeff Adams

VOTING: All members are in favor of the motion.

ACTION: The motion **PASSED** with no objections nor abstentions

OUTCOME: Dooly County's request to purchase intravenous supplies was not approved.

Clarification: application referenced prior purchase of I.O. guns/equipment but current request was for IV supplies (catheters, extension sets, start packs), not I.O. needles. It was noted that I.O. needles are an approved item and could be purchased through regular grant funding if desired. Motion to deny was upheld after discussion; no objections.

MOTION GTCNC EMS COMMITTEE 2025-11-08:

Motion to deny the Evans County EMS request for mega movers, stretcher batteries, IV supplies, ET tubes, etc.

MOTION BY: Jeff Adams

SECOND BY: Scott Roberts

VOTING: All members are in favor of the motion.

ACTION: The motion **PASSED** with no objections nor abstentions

OUTCOME: Evans County's request to purchase mega movers, batteries, IV supplies, and ET tubes was not approved.

MOTION GTCNC EMS COMMITTEE 2025-11-09:

Motion to approve the Hancock County EMS request for binder transfer sheets and blanket warmers

MOTION BY: Scott Roberts

SECOND BY: Duane Montgomery

VOTING: All members are in favor of the motion.

ACTION: The motion ***PASSED*** with no objections nor abstentions

OUTCOME: Hancock County's request to purchase binder transfer sheets and blanket warmers was approved.

MOTION GTCNC EMS COMMITTEE 2025-11-010:

Motion to approve the Liberty County EMS request for CPR Manikins & Feedback devices

MOTION BY: Scott Roberts

SECOND BY: none offered

VOTING:

ACTION: The motion ***FAILED*** for lack of a second, request considered not approved

OUTCOME: Liberty County's request to purchase CPR Manikins & feedback devices was not approved.

MOTION GTCNC EMS COMMITTEE 2025-11-011:

Motion to approve the Marion County EMS request for two Panasonic Toughbooks

MOTION BY: Scott Roberts

SECOND BY: Duane Montgomery

VOTING: Roll call vote required

Yes: Scott Roberts, Duane Montgomery, Dr. J. Smith

No: Lee Oliver, Scott Roberts, Jeff Adams, John Smith, Huey Atkins, Pete Quinones

ACTION: The motion ***FAILED*** with a 3-6 vote, Request was denied.

Substantial discussion followed the motion regarding: (1) whether laptops should be funded since electronic medical records are now a basic operational requirement; (2) whether this was a routine replacement vs. a catastrophic loss; and (3) the financial impact on a small, rural service. Due to mixed opinions, the chair requested a roll-call vote.

The chair noted that agencies would be notified within a day or two whether their requests had been approved or denied. Agencies whose variance requests were denied may still be able to purchase already-approved items (e.g., I.O. needles) through standard equipment grant processes.

MOTION GTCNC EMS COMMITTEE 2025-11-12:

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION BY: John Smith

SECOND BY: Huey Atkins

Chair Courtney Terwilliger adjourned the meeting with thanks to the members and to Gabby for preparing the materials and spreadsheet that facilitated review.

Minutes by C. Shelnett