

EMERGENCY READINESS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

March 18, 2019

The Emergency Readiness Committee met in the County Board Conference Room. The Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Robert Allen.

Members Present:

Robert Allen, Jr., Chairman
C. Rick Vernier, Asst. Chairman
Willie Dancy
Ken Easterley
Susan Gruberman
Jana A. Moll
Robert Trentman

Members Excused:

Others Present:

Mark Kern, St. Clair County Board Chairman
Herb Simmons, EMA Dept.
Chris Jundt, SCSESA
June Chartrand, County Board
Lonnie Mosley, County Board
Paul Seibert, County Board
John West, County Board
Don Feher, County Board

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

There were no Public Comments or Questions asked at this Meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Easterley and seconded by Mr. Dancy to approve the Minutes from the February 18, 2019 Meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Director Simmons reported that the months of February/March were routine, and all tests were completed.

Director Simmons distributed a letter dated March 14, 2019 that was sent out to community leaders throughout the county concerning potential flooding this spring along all major rivers. Multiple meetings have been held with the Army Corp of Engineers as well as the National Weather Service. A discussion was held about the County's effort to fill and deploy multiple sandbags throughout key areas of the county. Director Simmons reported on the additional sandbagging machine received from STARRS.

Director Simmons also distributed a Spring Flooding Briefing to committee members.

A motion to approve the EMA report was made by Mrs. Moll and seconded by Mr. Vernier. Motion passed unanimously. ATTACHED IS A COPY OF THE EMA REPORT.

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Mr. Chris Jundt, SCSESA, presented the quarterly report of the team. The report included Call out from the time period of December 2018 through March 2019. Mr. Jundt reported on all upcoming events as well as all training events for the quarter.

Mr. Jundt reported that SCSESA will be hosting the St. Clair County Fire Chief's meeting on May 23, 2019 at their building in Sauget.

Don Ferher, Director of the LEPC, reported that SCSESA has applied for a \$3,000 grant from the A&S railroad. Mr. Ferher also reported that the team is an all-volunteer department.

Mr. Trentman inquired how the team was dispatched to calls.

Upon no further business, motion was made by Mr. Easterly and seconded by Ms. Gruberman to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Allen, Chairman
Emergency Readiness Committee



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Herbert Simmons
EMA Director

Report of Activities
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1. All monthly radio test were conducted no problems reported.
2. Statewide Outdoor warning sirens test conducted. Issues were reported by Mascoutah and they were having the service provider look into the problem. These sirens aren't owned by the county.
3. Attended the East-West Gateway board meeting
4. Conducted meeting with lead Telecommunicators shift leaders
5. Attended the awards ceremony at the Sheriff's department, County 9-11 Telecommunicator Sharon Davis was given the Telecommunicator of the year award.
6. Attended Meeting at Swansea Metro link
7. Opened warming center at the East Carondelet Community center, provided cots and supplies to twenty individuals over the two day it was in operation during the below zero wind chill. The group "Moms on a Mission" provided around the clock volunteers along with the Sheriff Department and the East Carondelet Police.
8. Attended meeting with Deputy Director of IEMA, NWS regarding the flooding for this year

Sincerely;
Herb Simmons
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Director