

**EMERGENCY READINESS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
**November 21, 2022**

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

**Members Present:**

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

**Members Absent**

**Others Present:**

Mark Kern, County Board Chairman  
Herb Simmons, Director 911/EMA  
Brian Donley, Deputy Chief

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

A motion was made by Mr. Easterly and seconded by Mr. Dancy to approve the Minutes from the October 17, 2022 meeting. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Ms. Moll and seconded by Mr. Vernier to approve the 2023 Meeting Schedules. Motion passed.

The monthly EMA report was distributed to members to review. Director Simmons gave an overview of The FEMA Federal Disaster Declaration that was received for the July 2022 Flooding. Disaster Resource Centers have opened in East St. Louis and Caseyville. The Deadline to apply is December 16, 2022. To date, more than 4,500 have applied and 12.9 million dollars of assistance has been provided.

A motion was made by Ms. Gruberman and seconded by Mr. Easterly to approve the EMA report. Motion passed.

Deputy Chief Brian Donley gave the report of activities for SCSESA.

Upon no further business, motion was made by Mr. Vernier and seconded by Ms. Gruberman to adjourn the meeting at 6:11 p.m. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Robert Allen, Chairman  
Emergency Readiness Committee

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**Herbert Simmons  
EMA Director**

**St. Clair County  
Emergency Management Agency (EMA)**

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**Report of Activities  
Emergency Readiness / Public Safety Committee  
October 2022 / November 2022**

1. All monthly radio tests were conducted, and no problems were noted.
2. Monthly tests of the outdoor warning sirens were completed with no new reported problems.
3. Continue to attend the monthly Hospital/EMS COVID 19 Conference Calls
4. Attend the bi-weekly Conference call with IEMA Director regarding COVID-19
5. Attended the Monthly Starcom 21 Committee Meeting
6. Conducted monthly informational briefing on Facebook.
7. Attended the STARRS Board Meeting.
8. Attended the Statewide Interoperable Executive Committee Meeting.
9. Attended the Statewide 9-1-1 Next Generation 9-1-1 planning meeting.
10. Attended meeting of the Statewide 9-1-1 Advisory Board..
11. Attended the monthly meeting of the St. Clair Special Emergency Services.
12. The FEMA Federal Disaster Declaration was received for the July 2022 Flooding. Disaster Resource Centers have opened in East St Louis and Caseyville. The Deadline to apply is December 16, 2022. To date, more than 4,500 have applied and 12.9 million dollars of assistance has been provided.
13. A kickoff meeting was held with the selected vendor for the outdoor warning sirens along with the Community and Public Safety leaders.