

EMERGENCY READINESS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

September 12, 2022

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

Members Present:

C. Rick Vernier
Susan Gruberman
Ken Easterly
Robert Trentman
Jana A. Moll

Members Absent

Bob Allen, Chairman
Willie Dancy

Others Present:

Mark Kern, Chairman
Lonnie Mosley, County Board
Herb Simmons

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

A motion was made by Ms. Moll and seconded by Mr. Easterly to approve the Minutes from the August 22, 2022 meeting. Motion passed.

Director Simmons presented the monthly EMA report. Additional information presented stated that a kick off meeting was hosted for the creation of a St. Clair County COAD Group (Community Organizations Active in a Disaster). This group can also be utilized to assist with Long Term Recovery efforts from the recent flooding throughout the county.

The final proposals were received for the Countywide Outdoor Warning Siren System and interviews with the two finalists are occurring on Monday September 12, 2022.

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

Mr. Trentman asked about the FEMA grant. If awarded, Mr. Simmons responded EMA would work closely to administrate and try to get people as whole as possible.

Upon no further business, motion was made by Ms. Moll and seconded by Ms. Gruberman to adjourn the meeting at 6:09 p.m. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Allen, Chairman
Emergency Readiness Committee

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Report of Activities Emergency Readiness / Public Safety Committee August 2022 / September 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 statewide mental health planning meeting.
12. Attended the monthly meeting of the St. Clair Special Emergency Services.
13. The request for a Federal Disaster Declaration was filed with FEMA and is awaiting a final decision.
14. EMA Staff attended the 2022 IEMA Training Summit and Director's Briefing
15. Hosted a kick off meeting for the creation of a St. Clair County COAD Group (Community Organizations Active in a Disaster). This group can also be utilized to assist with Long Term Recovery efforts from the recent flooding throughout the county.
16. Received the final proposals for the Countywide Outdoor Warning Siren System and interviews with the two finalists are occurring on Monday September 12, 2022.
17. Staff attended the executive board meeting of IL Association of Public Safety Communications Officials (IL APCO).
18. Attended the quarterly meeting of the HOPE Coalition