

EMERGENCY READINESS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
November 18, 2024

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. Richard Vernier, Asst. Chairman
Susan Gruberman
Ken Easterley
Jana A. Moll
G.W. Scott, Jr.
Robert Trentman

Members Absent

Others Present:

Herb Simmons, Director 911/EMA
Mark Kern, Chairman, County Board
Steve Gomric, County Board
Lonnie Mosley, County Board
Brian Donley, Deputy Chief, SCSES

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call was taken.

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

A motion was made by Mr. Easterley and seconded by Mrs. Moll to approve the Minutes from the October 21, 2024 meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Vernier and seconded by Mr. G.W. Scott, Jr. to approve the EMA report. Motion passed unanimously.

In other business Brian Donley updated the committee on special equipment they use to detect chemicals and their rescue boats. Mr. Donley explained that the chemical detection was used at election polling places.

A motion was made by Mr. G.W. Scott, Jr. and seconded by Ms. Gruberman to adjourn the meeting at 6:16 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Allen, Chairman
Emergency Readiness Committee

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Herbert Simmons
EMA Director

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Report of Activities
Emergency Readiness / Public Safety Committee
October 2024 / November 2024

1. All monthly radio tests were conducted, and no problems were noted.
2. Monthly tests of the outdoor warning sirens were completed.
3. Attend the monthly Conference call with IEMA Director regarding COVID-19
4. Attended the Monthly Starcom 21 Committee Meeting
5. Attended the STARRS Board Meeting.
6. Attended the Statewide Interoperable Executive Committee Meeting.
7. Attended meeting of the Statewide 9-1-1 Advisory Board.
8. Attended the monthly meeting of the St. Clair Special Emergency Services.
9. Siren Vendor Engineer will be in St. Clair County on 11/20-11/21 beginning the final punch list to complete the siren project. St Clair County staff and Installer staff will be meeting with them to review any final items that need to be completed along with visual review of all sirens for warranty start.
10. Bi-weekly meetings continue with the FEMA BRIC Staff to develop the project application for St. Clair County and the 11 eligible communities. The application deadline is January 2025.
11. Attend monthly meeting of the Long Term Recovery Division of our County COAD (Community Organization Active in Disaster).
12. Working with IEMA and FEMA to continue the buyout program. Awaiting the next step of the process. IEMA has determined 37 of the homes that applied for buyout are located in a "special flood hazard area" which will allow expediting their process and that is underway.
13. Federal Disaster recovery centers remain open in Cahokia and East St Louis. As of 11/15/2024 below is a summary of assistance provided in St. Clair County:
 - a. 8,946 residents registered for assistance
 - b. 8,466 property inspections scheduled
 - c. 6,493 property inspections completed
 - d. \$23,241,692.29 awarded in Individual Assistance
 - e. \$11,596,474.40 awarded in Housing Assistance
 - f. \$11,645,217.89 awarded in Other Needs Assistance