

EMERGENCY READINESS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
September 23, 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, County Board Chairman
Lexi Cortez, News Democrat

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. Vernier and seconded by Mr. G.W. Scott Jr. to approve the Minutes from the August 19, 2024 meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

The monthly EMA report was distributed to members to review. Herb Simmons explained EMA will be setting up sites to assist residents with FEMA applications in Belleville and Cahokia Heights.

A motion was made by Mr. Easterley and seconded by Mrs. Moll to approve the EMA report. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. G.W. Scott Jr. and seconded by Mrs. Moll to adjourn the meeting at 6:05 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Allen, Chairman
Emergency Readiness Committee

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Herbert Simmons
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Report of Activities
Emergency Readiness / Public Safety Committee
August 2024 / September 2024

1. All monthly radio tests were conducted, and no problems were noted.
2. Monthly tests of the outdoor warning sirens were completed. Report of a siren malfunction in Shiloh that was investigated by the vendor and fixed.
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. Finalizing the remaining 7 warning siren installations.
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 advises FEMA has been placed in Immediate Needs Funding due to too many active disasters and therefore anything not related to an ongoing disaster is placed on hold.
13. EMA staff participated in the INDY Race Series at World Wide Technology Raceway.
14. Command Post was deployed to assist at O'Fallon City Fest and Belleville Oktoberfest.
15. EMA Staff attended the annual IEMA Training Summit.