



COUNTY OF ST. CLAIR

HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT



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MEETING OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE March 31, 2025

The meeting was called to order by the Public Safety Chairman G.W. Scott Jr., at 6:30 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: Chairman G.W. Scott Jr., Asst. Chairman Steve Gomric, CJ Baricevic, Jerry Dinges, Sue Gruberman.

Members Excused: Roy Mosley Jr. and Mike O'Donnell.

Others Present: Chairman Mark Kern, Dr. Moore, Robert Allen Jr., John Coers, Ken Easterley, James Gomric, Scott Greenwald, Phil Henning, Harry Hollingsworth, Thomas Knapp, Lonnie Mosley Jr., Ken Sharkey, Matt Smallheer, Robert Wilhelm, Ann Barnum, Norm Etling, Lisa Brennan-Fleming, Herb Simmons, Anne Markezich, and Lexi Cortez.

There were no comments from the public regarding the agenda for the Public Safety Meeting.

Chairman G.W. Scott Jr. asked for approval of February 24, 2025, Public Safety Committee Meeting's Minutes.

It was moved by Asst. Chairman Steve Gomric and seconded by Sue Gruberman.

There being no questions, Motion Carried, was approved to place on file.

New Business: None

ST. CLAIR COUNTY JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER

Per the St. Clair County Juvenile Detention Report, Lisa Brennan-Fleming presented Superintendent Lawrence Brazil's Population Report, which it did not exceed the D.O.C rate capacity of 38 for the reporting period of February 07, 2025, through March 06, 2025. The population report for Boys 413, Girls 1 grand total of 414.

If you have any questions about this report, please contact Lawrence Brazil Superintendent.

It was moved by Asst. Chairman Steve Gomric and seconded by Jerry Dinges.

There being no question, Motion Carried, was approved to place on file.

It was moved by Jerry Dinges and seconded by Asst. Chairman Steve Gomric
There being no questions, motion carried, was approved to place on file.

ST. CLAIR COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT

Lt. Colonel Thomas Knapp reported the following for the month of February 01, 2025, ending February 28, 2025, which included the following data: Average Daily Population was 427, inmates admitted 624 of those 184 were females, 440 were males, 240 misdemeanors, 262 felons, 12 Federal, 71 fugitives, and 3 Transcor. Sentence Weekend Bookings 11, Sentence County Bookings 7, D.O.C. 12 and Other 6. There were 133 traffic citations, 85 traffic warnings, 54 felony/misdemeanors/warrant arrests, 424 park patrols, 1131 business checks, and 36 courthouse checks, for a total of 849 points of contact with the general public.

It was moved by Asst. Chairman Steve Gomric and seconded by Steve Gomric. There being no questions, motion carried, were approved to place on file.

ST. CLAIR COUNTY CLAIMS

Per the St. Clair County Claims Report Ann Barnum reported for February 2025.

- Personal Injury Claims, six (6)
- Auto property liability, two (2)
- Property claims, four (4)
- General Liability, one (1)

It was moved by Asst. Chairman Steve Gomric and seconded by CJ Baricevic.

There being no questions, motion carried, were approved to place on file.

Chairman G.W. Scott Jr. asked if there were any comments.

It was moved by Sue Gruberman and seconded by Jerry Dinges to adjourn.

There being no questions. Motion carried, were approved to place on file.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ann Barnum

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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** **February 2025 / March 2025**

Per the St. Clair County EMA Report Herb Simmons presented the following,

1. All monthly radio tests were conducted, and no problems were noted.
2. Monthly tests of the outdoor warning sirens were completed, and one siren had a problem in Fairview Heights, and it was fixed by the manufacturer.
3. Attended the Monthly Starcom 21 Committee Meeting
4. Attended the STARRS Board Meeting.
5. Attended the Statewide Interoperable Executive Committee Meeting.
6. Attended meeting of the Statewide 9-1-1 Advisory Board.
7. Attended the monthly meeting of the St. Clair Special Emergency Services.
8. Siren vendor continues to work on punch list items and change order. Progress continued slowly this month due to the weather.
9. The BRIC Application was filed by the deadline of 2/28/25.
10. Attend monthly meetings of the Long-Term Recovery Division of our County COAD (Community Organization Active in Disaster).
11. Three tornados struck St. Clair County on Friday 3/14/2025. An EF-1 tornado began in Monroe County and continued into rural Millstadt before lifting near Lower Saxtown Rd. An EF-1 tornado began in Northern O'Fallon and did substantial damage to the Parkview Trailer Park on Scott Troy Rd. An EF-2 tornado began in northern Mascoutah and continued into Clinton County and did substantial damage to farm properties in the area. All the areas were surveyed by EMA staff and information was relayed to IEMA regarding damage assessment. The greatest majority of properties were insured and repairs are underway. The new outdoor warning siren system functioned as designed and activated for 3 different warnings during the period and only activated those sirens within the polygon system. Substantial outreach was done prior to the storm striking utilizing social media along with the County Code RED system. This pre-warning allowed residents to be prepared to act upon the arrival of the storm. More than 1,500,000 people were reached utilizing the social media platforms.