

EMERGENCY READINESS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
November 17, 2025

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
Steve Gomric, 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 Ms. Gruberman, to approve the Minutes from the October 20, 2025 meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mrs. Moll and seconded by Mr. Vernier, to approve the 2026 Meeting Schedule.

The monthly EMA report was distributed to members to review.

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

Chief Brian Donley provided a special services update.

A motion was made by Mrs. Moll and seconded by Ms. Gruberman, to adjourn the meeting at 6:06 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Allen, Chairman
Emergency Readiness Committee

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Report of Activities
Emergency Readiness / Public Safety Committee
October 2025 / November 2025

1. All monthly radio tests were conducted, and no problems were noted.
2. Monthly tests of the outdoor warning sirens were completed and no problems were observed.
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. Staff attended the quarterly regional meeting for Illinois Emergency Management.
9. Attend monthly meeting of the Long Term Recovery Division of our County COAD (Community Organization Active in Disaster).
10. Conducted the bi-monthly meeting of the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC).
11. Continue to work with IEMA/FEMA on the Belleville and East Carondelet Flood Studies along with the Flood Buyout Program which is currently awaiting the appraisal process.
12. St. Clair County 9-1-1 sent 16 Telecommunicators to the Illinois Public Safety Telecommunications Association training conference in Springfield where each got to attend one day of training related to 9-1-1 and visit with multiple vendors providing services in the 9-1-1 field.
13. Continue to conduct the Monday Morning Spotlight St Clair Episodes. Have had segments with Animal Control, Intergovernmental Grants Dept, St Clair County Fairgrounds, Highway Dept, Health Dept, St Clair County Transit District and Illinois Emergency Management. These weekly shows have achieved greater than 70,000 total views in the various segments.