

ST. CLAIR COUNTY 9-1-1 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

Minutes of the July 15, 2026 Meeting

In Attendance:

Board Members:

Sheriff Richard Watson, Chairman
Mr. Kevin Elbe, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Ken Easterley
Mr. G.W. Scott, Sr.
Mr. Michael Leopold

Absent:

Chief Kendall Perry
Dr. James Wade

Staff:

Herbert Simmons, ETSB Executive Director
Teresa Klucker, 9-1-1 ETSB Assistant

Others In Attendance:

Erik Mensen, MECOMM Supervisor

Sheriff Richard Watson called the meeting of the Emergency Telephone System Board to order at 9:00 a.m. on July 15, 2026 in the ETSB Administrative Office, 101 South 1st Street Belleville, IL 62220.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Richard Watson- present
Kevin Elbe- present
Ken Easterley- present
Kendall Perry- absent
G.W. Scott, Sr.- present
James Wade- absent
Michael Leopold- present

Public Comments:

Approval of Minutes: Sheriff Watson asked for a motion to approve the minutes for the June 9, 2026 meeting. A motion was made by Ken Easterley and seconded by Mike Leopold. The motion passed unanimously.

Attorney's Report: ETSB Attorney David Schneidewind was unable to attend today's meeting; therefore, Director Simmons updated the Board on current FOIA activity on his behalf. No action is necessary by the ETSB at this time.

Director's Report:

Items For Information:

Monthly Call Statistics: Director Simmons referred to the call statistics for review.

Statewide 9-1-1 Advisory Board: Director Simmons informed the ETSB that the monthly meeting was postponed until later this month when the subcommittees for the Strategic Plan will begin meeting on the various topics for inclusion in the final plan.

Director Simmons led a discussion regarding St. Clair County participating in a one-year pilot program of the Motorola Drone Project.

Items For Action: None

Consideration of Resolution 26-07 Regarding Approval of Financial Reports: Sheriff Watson asked for a motion to approve Resolution 26-07, regarding approval of financial reports.

A motion was made by Kevin Elbe and seconded by G.W. Scott to approve Resolution 26-07, which includes the June 2026 Audit Trail and Surcharge Report and the May 2026 Fund Summary. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

New Business:

Executive Session:

Adjournment: Sheriff Watson asked for a motion to adjourn. At 9:07 a.m., a motion to adjourn was made by Kevin Elbe and seconded by Ken Easterley. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
Teresa Klucker

NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2026