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

Minutes of the October 13, 2026 Meeting

In Attendance:

Board Members:
Mr. Kevin Elbe, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Ken Easterley
Chief Kendall Perry
Mr. G.W. Scott, Sr.
Mr. Michael Leopold

Absent:
Sheriff Richard Watson, Chairman
Dr. James Wade

Staff:
Herbert Simmons, ETSB Executive Director
David Schneidewind, ETSB Attorney
Bryan Whitaker, ETSB Assistant Director
Teresa Klucker, 9-1-1 ETSB Assistant

Others In Attendance:
Erik Mensen, MECOMM Supervisor

Vice-Chairman Kevin Elbe called the meeting of the Emergency Telephone System Board to order at 9:00 a.m. on October 13, 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- absent
Kevin Elbe- present
Ken Easterley- present
Kendall Perry- present
G.W. Scott, Sr.- present
James Wade- absent
Michael Leopold- present

Public Comments:

Approval of Minutes: Vice-Chairman Kevin Elbe asked for a motion to approve the minutes for the September 8, 2026 meeting. A motion was made by Ken Easterley and seconded by Michael Leopold. The motion passed unanimously.

Attorney's Report: ETSB Attorney David Schneidewind updated the Board on current FOIA activity. 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 final draft of the Strategic Plan was approved and is being forwarded to the General Assembly to be used as a template for planning efforts moving forward. A copy has been made available for review.

Items For Action:

Consideration of Resolution 26-12 Regarding Approval of Motorola Encryption Project:
Director Simmons requested the Board's consideration in approving Resolution 26-12, regarding the approval of the updated Motorola Encryption Project Contract for the encryption of all law enforcement radios operating on the St. Clair County Radio System.
Vice-Chairman Elbe asked for a motion to approve Resolution 26-12, regarding the updated Motorola Encryption Project Contract at a total cost of $1,748,483.71.
A motion was made by Mike Leopold and seconded by Kendall Perry. The motion passed unanimously.
Roll Call Vote:
Richard Watson- absent
Kevin Elbe- yes
Ken Easterley- yes
Kendall Perry- yes
G.W. Scott, Sr.- yes
James Wade- absent
Michael Leopold- yes

Consideration of Resolution 26-11 Regarding Approval of Financial Reports: Vice-Chairman Elbe asked for a motion to approve Resolution 26-11, regarding approval of financial reports.
A motion was made by Mike Leopold and seconded by Ken Easterley to approve Resolution 26-11, which includes the September 2026 Audit Trail and Surcharge Report and the August 2026 Fund Summary. The motion passed unanimously.
Roll Call Vote:
Richard Watson- absent
Kevin Elbe- yes
Ken Easterley- yes
Kendall Perry- yes
G.W. Scott, Sr.- yes
James Wade- absent
Michael Leopold- yes

Old Business:

New Business:

Executive Session:

Adjournment: Vice-Chairman Kevin Elbe asked for a motion to adjourn.
At 9:04 a.m., a motion to adjourn was made by Kendall Perry and seconded by Mike Leopold. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
Teresa Klucker

NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2026