

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

Minutes of the August 11, 2026 Meeting

In Attendance:

Board Members:

Sheriff Richard Watson, Chairman
Mr. Kevin Elbe, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Ken Easterley
Chief Kendall Perry
Mr. G.W. Scott, Sr.
Dr. James Wade
Mr. Michael Leopold

Absent:

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

Sheriff Richard Watson called the meeting of the Emergency Telephone System Board to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 11, 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- present
G.W. Scott, Sr.- present
James Wade- present
Michael Leopold- present

Public Comments:

Approval of Minutes: Sheriff Watson asked for a motion to approve the minutes for the July 15, 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 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 monthly meeting was held and involved discussions on the draft of the final strategic plan that was to be submitted. Multiple sections of the plan still require modifications as subcommittee meetings continue.

Items For Action: None

Consideration of Resolution 26-08 Regarding Approval of Financial Reports: Sheriff Watson asked for a motion to approve Resolution 26-08, regarding approval of financial reports.

A motion was made by Kevin Elbe and seconded by G.W. Scott to approve Resolution 26-08, which includes the July 2026 Audit Trail and Surcharge Report and the June 2026 Fund Summary. The motion passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote:

Richard Watson- yes

Kevin Elbe- yes

Ken Easterley- yes

Kendall Perry- yes

G.W. Scott, Sr.- yes

James Wade- yes

Michael Leopold- yes

Old Business:

New Business:

Executive Session:

Adjournment: Sheriff Watson asked for a motion to adjourn. At 9:02 a.m., a motion to adjourn was made by Kevin Elbe and seconded by Kendall Perry. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Teresa Klucker

NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2026