

EMERGENCY READINESS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
June 22, 2026

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
Susan Gruberman
Ken Easterley
Robert Trentman
G.W. Scott, Jr.

Members Absent

C. Richard Vernier, Asst. Chairman, Excused
Jana A. Moll, Excused

Others Present:

Mark Kern, County Board Chairman
Chris Allen, State's Attorney's Office
Ken Sharkey, Member, County Board
Lonnie Mosley, Member, County Board
Ann Barnum, Manager, Human Resources
Chief Corey Ellis, SCSSES
Mae Brown, Citizen

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 Mr. G.W. Scott, Jr., to approve the Minutes from the May 18, 2026 meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

The monthly EMA report was distributed to members to review.

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

In other business Chief Ellis reported that it was a quiet quarter. They have done training and received a grant from BGC to fix their roof.

A motion was made by Mr. G.W. Scott, Jr., and seconded by Mr. Easterley, to adjourn the meeting at 6:07 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
May 2026 / June 2026

1. All monthly radio tests were conducted, and no problems were noted.
2. Monthly tests of the outdoor warning sirens were completed. The vendor identified two sirens that were having continuous communications issues and sent replacement parts that were installed by the local technician. Those sirens have then successfully began have regular communications with the system. Additional reviews of other sirens continue.
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. The first 35 appraisals have now been approved by FEMA and the county contractor will begin working on Fair Market Value Purchase Offers to these home owners as the next step of the process.
12. Continue to conduct the Monday Morning Spotlight St Clair Episodes. These weekly shows have achieved greater than 900,000 total views in the various segments.
13. EMA staff continues to attend planning meetings for Fair St. Clair.
14. EMA staff attended assisted with site safety for the Indy Car Race series at Worldwide Technology Raceway.