



AGENDA

ST. LOUIS AREA REGIONAL RESPONSE SYSTEM BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Tuesday, January 9, 2024– 9:00 A.M.

**St. Louis Co PD, Office of Emergency Management
1150 Hanna Rd
Ballwin, MO 63021**

Due to the potential for severe winter weather on this date, STARRS will notify the Board by email if the meeting will be cancelled or postponed by Monday. At this time the meeting will still occur as planned but is subject to change

1. CALL TO ORDER BY CAPTAIN CHRIS HUNT
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES, FROM THE OCTOBER 2023 MEETING
3. DISCUSSION ITEMS
 - a. Program Updates SAMANTHA LEWIS
 - b. 2024 STARRS Programs Outline SAMANTHA LEWIS
 - c. Subcommittee Reports SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRS
4. ACTION ITEMS
 - a. Approval of Subcommittee Nominations Memo MICHELE RYAN
5. OTHER BUSINESS
6. NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT

February 13, 2024, at the St. Louis Fire Department Headquarters.

Saint Louis
COUNTY
PARKS

Ohlendorf West Park
1150 Hanna Rd.
StLouisCo.com/Parks
314-615-4FUN

Hanna Rd.

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Ball Pit



Park Entrance



PARK HERE

MEETING HERE

**NO PARKING
HERE
SECURE LOT**

Crescent Rd.



Playground



Restroom



Parking

..... 0.73 mi. Nature and Fitness Trail



**STARRS BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES
October 12, 2023**

The meeting of the STARRS Board of Directors was called to via in-person & virtual conference call, with those in attendance check-marked:

CATEGORY A

- Abe Cook
- Frederick Patterson
- Herb Simmons
- Jeff McCreary
- Joann Leykam
- Ryan Weber

CATEGORY B

- Bryan Whitaker
- Chris Hunt
- George Koranyi
- Kevin Scheibe
- Michele Ryan
- Sarah Russell
- Warren Robinson

VOTING CAT. C

- Ben Perrin
- Brian Gettemeier
- Dennis Jenkerson
- Derek Rieger
- Greg Brown
- Jeremy Hollrah
- Kurt Frisz
- Nick Allen
- Zach Koch

FUSION CENTER

- Benjamin Granda

SPECIAL VOTING

- Nick Kohlberg
- Roger Smith

NON-VOTING CAT. C

- Jerry Lohr
- Jocelyn Evans
- John Nowak
- Josh Wilderson
- Matt Tobben
- Mike Arras
- Kyle Foerst
- Tina Davis

EXOFFICIO

- Jim Wild

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ATTENDANCE:

Also in attendance were East-West Gateway Council of Governments & STARRS staff including Samantha Lewis, Staci Alvarez, Leah Watkins, Himmer Soberanis, Kristen Capps-Jones, & Brad Zoref, as well as Jason Campbell (BJC/BJH).

Members excused in advance from this month's Board meeting include: Brian Gettemeier (Cottleville FPD).

CALL TO ORDER

Chris Hunt called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. Attendance was recorded by sign-in and virtual meeting attendance list. A quorum was confirmed by Staci Alvarez.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chris Hunt requested approval of the September 2023 minutes which was motioned to approve by Joann Leykam and was seconded by Bryan Whitaker. The motion was carried

unanimously and was approved at 9:04 AM.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

PROGRAM UPDATES

Samantha Lewis provided STARRS program updates, sharing that Brian Marler had already reached out to all agencies required to participate in the Nationwide Cybersecurity Review (NCSR) process. Participation in that process is a requirement of the Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP), of which the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) is a component. The deadline to complete that process is December 1, 2023. The Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant (RCPG) program core planning team and Kristen Capps-Jones are reaching out to agencies seeking additional representation from participating agencies. The goal of the group is to have a draft document out by December. STARRS is also doing a review of the STARRS By-Laws, and will be seeking a group for input on updates to them.

Also, Sam shared that the dates of the 2024 STARRS Board of Directors meeting are being set and to expect a full agenda for the January meeting. Chris Hunt shared that he believes the STARRS Board meeting should be moved to Tuesday, and that the meeting should be moved around throughout the region to generate better attendance. The suggestion was made to host the meetings at the St. Louis County OEM facility.

Sam shared an update related to the FY2024 UASI grant, sharing that the project application process was being moved to an annual/all-year process. Starting in 2023, project applications will always be due in December and will make use of a standard template application. Once the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) drops later in the winter, STARRS may need to open up a special application period for new requirements or National Priority changes/additions.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

Jeremy Hollrah reported that the EMS subcommittee will meet next Wednesday for their next regularly scheduled meeting. Nick Kohlberg shared that the Healthcare Coalition next meets Friday October 20th at 9:00AM and that they will be discussing the upcoming November 9th Healthcare Summit. Speakers from the State of Missouri and within the region will speak at the event. They will also be preparing their annual report for 2023. Kyle Foerst shared that the Healthcare Subcommittee next meets November 8th, and that they are assisting with the Healthcare Summit and that they are waiting to hear back from DHS on intel components for the event. Roger Smith shared that the Mass Fatality subcommittee would meet October 25th at 1:00PM. Nick Allen shared that the Public Health subcommittee met on September 18th. Ben Perrin shared that the SLARCC chairperson has stepped down and they are looking at the process to get a new chairperson in place. Derek Rieger shared that the Training & Exercise subcommittee met Tuesday but lacked a quorum and that they are looking at that issue. Franklin County will be hosting two virtual tabletop exercises in November, including exercises on river flooding and on structural collapse.

ACTION ITEMS

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Michele Ryan shared information related to STARRS subcommittee membership additions and removals as described in the nomination memo. A motion and a second occurred. Joann Leykam motion and was seconded. The motion carried and was approved.

REGIONAL EXPENDITURES

Samantha Lewis provided a summary of regional expenditures for the month. The first procurement is for a FirstNET MiniCRD for the Fusion Center to assist with first responder communications issues often seen during incidents and events. The second expenditure is for tactical vests for special teams law enforcement and EMS personnel. Staff recommended approval of the two procurements for a total UASI expenditure not to exceed \$570,500. Michele Ryan motioned to accept the proposed expenditures, which was seconded by Joann Leykam. The motion passed.

OTHER BUSINESS

No other business was presented.

NEXT MEETING & ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the STARRS Board of Directors is Thursday, November 9, 2023. A motion to adjourn was made by Roger Smith and was seconded. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 9:19 AM.

Captain Chris Hunt



Memo to: Board of Directors
From: STARRS
Subject: Nomination of Committee Appointments
Date: January 9, 2024

The Nominating Committee has approved the following subcommittee nominations & removals and offers the following for Board consideration and approval.

The Nominating Committee recommends the following additions to STARRS subcommittees:

- **Emergency Management Subcommittee** – Matt Gabrian, St. Louis Co Office of Emergency Mgmt
- **Emergency Management Subcommittee** – Jen Smith, St. Charles Co Emergency Management Agency
- **EMS Subcommittee** – John Herr, Clayton Fire Department
- **Law Enforcement Subcommittee** – Kyle Davidson, Franklin County Sheriff’s Office
- **Mass Fatality Subcommittee** – Sarah Russell, City Emergency Management Agency (CEMA)
- **Public Health Subcommittee** – Miranda Fleschert, St. Charles Co Dept. of Public Health
- **SLARCC Subcommittee** – Katelind Hosie, United Way of Greater St. Louis
- **St. Louis Area Regional Coalition of COADs** – Stephanie Norton, Franklin Co EMA
- **St. Louis Area Regional Coalition of COADs** – Fred Patterson, Madison Co EMA
- **St. Louis Area Regional Coalition of COADs** – Michele Ryan, St. Louis Co OEM

The Nominating Committee recommends the following removals from STARRS subcommittees:

- **EMS Subcommittee** – Brody Eller, South City Hospital
- **EMS Subcommittee** – Nick Harper, Monarch Fire Protection District
- **Healthcare Subcommittee** – Ntasiah (Tay) Shaw, Louis County Dept. of Public Health
- **Law Enforcement Subcommittee** – Brad Kelling, St. Louis County Police Department
- **Law Enforcement Subcommittee** – Sean Mazzola, St. Louis Metropolitan Police Dept.
- **St. Louis Area Regional Coalition of COADs** - Nick O’Hanlon, American Red Cross

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends the Board of Directors approve the Nominating Committee recommendations.