



Region C RHSOC Meeting Minutes
 Friday, October 24, 2025, 10:00 a.m.
 Perryville Fire Department Station 2
 650 N. Perryville Blvd.
 Perryville, MO 63775
 573-547-2200

Chair: Ron MacKnight - 636-745-2262
 Vice Chair: Shelly Alcorn - 636-433-5262
 RPC Planner: Annie Sprick - Office 636-456-3473 Ext. 101

Call to Order and Opening Comments: RHSOC Chairperson, Ron MacKnight called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Roll Call: RHSOC Planner, Annie Sprick called the roll.

Voting Members Present

<u>Discipline</u>	<u>Seat</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>In Attendance</u>
911	Primary	Kassandra LaFave	Yes
	Alternate	Greg Houdyshell	No
County Commissioner	Primary	Matt Flake	No
	Alternate	Randy Ruzicka	Yes
Cybersecurity	Primary	Jim Sharp	No
	Alternate	Nick Jones	Yes
Emergency Management	Primary	Quentin Laws	Yes
	Alternate	Josh McAtee	Yes
Emergency Medical Services	Primary	Shelly Alcorn	Yes
	Alternate	Darren Lenk	No
Fire Chief	Primary	Ken Steiger	Yes
	Alternate	Larry LaFave	Yes
Public Health	Primary	Daniel Mattheiss	No
	Alternate	Meghan Ellis	Yes
Hospital	Primary	Christopher Chamberlain	No
	Alternate	Reesa Vanhooser	No
Mayor / City Administrator	Primary	Michelle Heiliger	Yes
	Alternate	Open	
Police Chief	Primary	Tom Canavan	No
	Alternate	Dustyn Tienter	Yes
Public Utilities	Primary	Pat Schroeder	No

	Alternate	Emma Cherry	Yes
Public Works	Primary	Jeff Layton	Yes
	Alternate	OPEN	N/A
School District/Education	Primary	OPEN	N/A
	Alternate	OPEN	N/A
Sheriff	Primary	Jason Kelley	Yes
	Alternate	Stephen Korte	Yes
Volunteer Organization	Primary	Tina Davis	No
	Alternate	Open	N/A
Homeland Security Regional Response System	Primary	Jeremy Mantz	Yes
	Alternate	Felix Meyer	Yes
RHSOC Officers	Chair	Ron MacKnight	Yes
	Vice Chair	Shelly Alcorn	Yes

State Agencies Present

State Agencies	Name
OHS/DPS	Kristin Kayser
SEMA	Hank Voelker
Dept. of Agriculture	Bill Pittenger
MOSWIN	
Chair of Chairs	Ron MacKnight

Motion to Accept Agenda: Chairperson MacKnight asked for a motion to accept the agenda. Jeremy Mantz made the motion, Jason Kelley seconded. Motion passed.

Motion to Approve Minutes: Chairperson MacKnight asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the April 01, 2025, meeting. Jason Kelly made the motion, Jeremy Mantz seconded. Motion passed.

State Agency Reports:

DPS/OHS - Kristin Kayser

- DHS/FEMA released guidance indicating extensions will no longer be approved as a matter of routine and will apply increased scrutiny to all requests to extend the period of performance. Payment process to receive funds from DHS/FEMA will be different in FY2025. DHS/FEMA will review all payment request and has 30 days to approve/deny the request. If a request is sent back for additional information, the 30-day clock resets. FY2025 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) funding opportunity will be opening soon. 2025.FY2025 Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP) will be opening soon.

SEMA - Hank Voelker

- AI presentation during SEMA conference covered topics of cybersecurity concerns. MIAC may be doing follow ups regarding AI at RHSOC meetings and/or Regional Coordinators meetings. Working on setting a date for Regional Coordinators meeting. Region C coroner's and emergency management agencies will be invited to see presentation by the Missouri Mortuary Team.

Department of Agriculture - Bill Pittenger

- In the last 30 days, there have been 30 detections of High Pathogen Avian Influenza (HPAI) in commercial poultry flocks and 23 detections in backyard poultry flocks in the country with 6.37 million birds affected. There have been no detections in commercial or backyard flocks in Missouri. HPAI has been detected in wild waterfowl in Dunklin, Shelby, and St. Louis counties.

MOSWIN - Roger Strobe

- No report.

Chair of Chairs Report

- Summary from Vice Chair Shelly Alcorn as Chairperson MacKnight was not able to attend. Law enforcement seems to be a big priority for funding from the Federal Government. There was a cybersecurity presentation on AI. It was alarming to learn how vulnerable the United States is. No other updates due to government shutdown.

Discipline Chair Reports

- 911 - Kassandra LaFave - No report.
- County Commissioner Randy Ruzicka - No report.
- Cybersecurity - No Report
- Emergency Management - Quintin Laws - No report.
- Fire Chief - No Report
- Public Health - Meghan Ellis, Perry County Coroner's Office – No report.
- Hospital - No Report
- Mayor/City Administrator - No Report.
- Police Chief - No Report.
- Public Utilities - No report.
- Public Works - Jeff Layton - Winter weather - Make sure city and county road clearing contracts are in place. Make sure salt is ordered and stocked. Prepare in advance.
- School District/Education - No Report
- Sheriff - No Report
- Volunteer Organization - No Report
- Homeland Security - No Report

Old Business

- Project Status Report – BRPC Planner, Annie Sprick
 - FY2021 and FY2022 – 2 projects in closeout phase.
 - FY2023 – 4 projects complete and 1 in procurement phase.
 - FY2024 – 4 projects complete and 1 in procurement phase.

New Business

- FY2025 Funding Vote
 - 3 applications were fully funded.
 - Perry County Sheriff's Office was awarded \$31,860.00 for a Mobile Data Terminal (MDT) project.
 - Ste. Genevieve County Emergency Management Agency was awarded \$12,200.00 for the Salamander annual subscription.
 - Lincoln County Coroner's Office was awarded \$2,646.78 for communications equipment.
 - 4 applications were partially funded.
 - Bowling Green Fire Department was awarded \$53,527.25 for interoperable communications equipment.

- Eolia Community Fire Protection District was awarded \$60,444.24 for interoperable communications equipment.
- Perry County Emergency Management Agency was awarded \$25,899.08 for MOSWIN radio equipment.
- Wright City Fire Protection District was awarded \$36,239.39 for NFPA 1971 Compliant PPE
- o 2 applications were denied.
 - St. Francois County Emergency Management Agency thermal drone project was denied due to the high cost of USA made drones.
 - City of Bonne Terre mobile radio upgrade was denied due having less than 50% of the funding needed for this project.
- o 4 applications were not considered due to no funding remaining.
 - Ste. Genevieve Police Department Operation Connected Response project.
 - City of Louisiana Police & Fire Departments FY25 SHSP Application
 - Troy Police Department Region C Drone Program
 - Washington County Sheriff's Office Radio Grant
- Committee Member Term Vote
 - o Tina Davis was reelected as the Volunteer Organization Primary
 - o Jeff Layton was reelected as the Public Works Primary
 - o Al Slusser was elected as the School District/Education Primary
 - o Amy Salvo was elected as the School District/Education Alternate
- Equipment Disposition
 - o Tabled until the January 2026 meeting.

Future Events

- RHSOC Quarterly Meeting - January 6, 2026, 10 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at the Lincoln County Emergency Management Agency Office

Motion to Adjourn: Chairperson MacKnight asked for a motion to adjourn. Randy Ruzicka made the motion. Jeff Layton seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Annie Sprick

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Boonslick Regional Planning Commission