

KenCom Finance Committee Meeting Minutes
November 20th, 2025
9:06 a.m.
KenCom Public Safety Center
1100 Cornell Lane, Yorkville
Conference Room

Member	Agency	Present	Absent
Josh Flanders	Oswego Fire	X	
Brian DeBolt	Kendall County Board		X
Dwight Baird	KCSO	X	
Zoila Gomez	City of Plano		X
Shane Yackley	Oswego Police	X	
Fred Kreinbrink	Little Rock Fox Fire		X
James Jensen	Yorkville PD	X	

Others present: Pamela Hurtig, KenCom Director; Jenny Haske, KenCom Assistant Director; Sarah Jenkins, KenCom, KenCom Operations Manager; Amber Reyes, KenCom Administrative Assistant.

Josh Flanders called the meeting to order and requested a roll call of the membership. A roll call was taken, with four of the seven members present, resulting in a quorum for voting purposes.

Flanders called for a motion to approve the agenda. Jensen made a motion to approve the agenda as written, seconded by Baird. Discussion. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Public Comment – None

Flanders called for Correspondence – None.

Staff Report – Hurtig gave a Personnel Report as follows: Madison Gunter was promoted to KenCom’s third supervisor position. We are down three telecommunicator positions and will be hiring seven which includes the two new positions approved in the FY 25-26 budget and the plus two allotted by our boards. Last Monday, November 10th we held our brief orientation, speed interviews, and typing test. Additional information was given on the testing and results. Training as follows: November’s monthly skills training will pick back up with the IPAWS that was halted due to the government shutdown, finishing up on the SFVEMSS quarterly training and active shooter training through PowerPhone. Project Updates as follows: DFSI— Overall the move to digital encryption was a success. There was an issue while using the scanning feature causing garbled radio traffic. ABeep has found the fix and is currently in the process of reprogramming all radios again. Motorola has also finished updating the consoles in dispatch. CESSA— SFVEMSS Region 9 has started their sub-committee meetings again due to the recent changes in the move to CESSA. The last meeting was 10/29 and we should be meeting again in December. AID has been meeting with Kendall agencies looking to form a Kendall sub-committee meetings. HipLink - pending IPAWS implementation after TC training is complete. Phoenix G2—We are still on standby due to testing needed since the cutover to digital is complete. Session Border Controller – Cutover still planned for November 20th. CommsCoach – The project kick-off meeting was held last Friday, November 14th. Next meeting is a tech call this week. NIU- CGS Strategic Plan Project – Final action planning meeting is set for December 3rd with KenCom Leadership to review short-and long-term goals. Space Analysis – In the process of using the Architect Kendall County is utilizing. Text to 9-1-1 totals for October were 7.

Closed Session Minutes but do not release – None.

Consent Agenda – Flanders called for approval of the consent agenda. Jensen made a motion, seconded by Baird to approve the consent agenda, which includes approval of the October 2025 Treasurer’s Reports for the Surcharge and

Operating Funds and the October 16th, 2025 Finance Committee Minutes. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Flanders called for the Standing Committee Reports:

Personnel Committee Report – No Report.

Strategic Planning Committee Report – Hurtig stated that they met and discussed interoperability. Hurtig informed the Committee that they started the space needs analysis, which was recommended to start right away.

Operations Board Report – Hurtig stated they discussed some policy changes due to the police encryption and moved the radio infrastructure & interoperability forward to the Finance Committee. Discussion ensued.

Finance Committee Report:

Operation Fund Bills – Baird made a motion to approve the November 2025 Operation bills, in the amount of \$173,246.08 seconded by Jensen. Discussion. A roll call was taken with all four members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Surcharge Fund Bills – Baird made a motion to approve the November 2025 Surcharge bills, in the amount of \$88,916.14, seconded by Yackley. Discussion. A roll call was taken with all four members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Anticipated Expenses – Hurtig reviewed the anticipated expenses contained in the packet. Baird made a motion to approve the invoice from ABeep for a fix on the Nice Recording System due to going digital, in the amount not to exceed \$16,165.90 seconded by Jensen. A roll call was taken with all four members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Flanders called for Old Business:

Future KenCom Expansion – Hurtig stated they have been having meetings with Dean Richards and he is going to start coming out and having meetings with staff.

Tyler Negotiations – Hurtig mentioned that they are going to talk to Angi Ostrom from Tyler Technologies about starting negotiations. Discussion ensued.

KenCom Second Tower – No Report.

Finance Committee Closed Session Audio Destruction – None

Any other Old Business – None

Flanders called for New Business:

Finance Committee Closed Session Audio Destruction – None

Radio Infrastructure & Interoperability – Hurtig stated ABeep came to the Operations Board and made a plan to switch the radios to digital encrypted. Now that it is encrypted, the main problem is that there is no interoperability, and others around are not able to communicate. Hurtig continued that it was discussed that an 800 MHZ system is the best option. Discussion ensued.

Other New Business – None

Other Business – None

Closed Session – None

Action after Closed Session – None

Flanders stated the next Finance Committee meeting is Thursday, December 18th, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. KenCom Public Safety Building, Lower Level Emergency Operations Center. Jensen made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Baird. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

Respectively submitted,

Bonnie Walters
Recording Secretary