St. Mary’s County Commissioners

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Commissioners:

As a member of the St. Mary’s county Fire and EMS system I am urging you as my elected officials to hear my voice. My personal safety and the safety of my family, my community and my colleagues have been compromised since your predecessors combined the county IT department with Emergency Services. I urge you to take immediate action to address the ongoing issues with the management at ES&T that have been brought to your attention many times privately and publicly. In addition to that I am personally calling for an outside investigation of the Department of Emergency Services and Technology and full audit of the following:

1. The selection process for the current radio system
2. The protocols and procedures for managing the radio system
3. The specific actions of ES&T staff before, during and after the events on 10/24/2017
4. The organizational structure and effectiveness of ES&T
5. The fitness of Bob Kelly to lead ES&T

I am confident that the only way to make our system the best it can be is by an honest and through outside investigation and evaluation of our system. I appreciate your support of emergency services volunteers who provide vital services in our communities at a huge cost savings to you and our constituents. I also recognize that the growth of our county requires we adapt to changing needs. I will continue to support my local department and serve my community with pride. I ask that you support your emergency services volunteers.

Sincerely,