



Board Meeting
April 28, 2011
1701 E. Main- Urbana, Illinois

Meeting called to order: Board Vice President Dave Snyders called the meeting to order at 11:06 a.m.

Attendance was taken:

Chief Mark Beckwith	Absent
Sheriff Dave Snyders	Present
Sheriff Roger Scott	Present
Chief Bill Feithen	Present
Sheriff John Zaruba	Absent
Chief Jeff Chudwin	Absent
Sheriff Mike McCoy***	Absent
Chief Robert Williams***	Absent
Sheriff Derek Hagen	Present
Chief James Kuchenbecker	Absent
Sheriff Jim Vazzi	Present
Chief David Hayes	Absent
Sheriff Andrew Hires	Present
Chief Larry Evans	Present
Chief Todd Sigler	Present
Sheriff Keith Brown	Present
Chief Tim Swanson	Absent
Sheriff Tom Schneider	Present
Deputy Chief Wayne Gulliford	Present
Deputy Director ISP Rob Haley	Absent
Chief Von Young	Present

***Bob Markovic is present as a representative for Chief Robert Williams and Dave Briggs is present as a representative for Sheriff Mike McCoy. Out of **21** Board Members **12** Board Members were present with two Board Member delegate present.

Also in attendance were: ILEAS Executive Director, James Page, ILEAS contractors, Nancy Crossman, Richard Huston, Jim Luecking and Pete Smith.

Previous Minutes: The minutes of March 8, 2011 were discussed. Motion made by Feithen and seconded by Hires to approve the minutes of March 8, 2011 as presented. Voice vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report:

- **Current Budget Status** Dick Huston gave a brief update of our current financial budget. Huston stated that we have enough money on hand to pay contractors for 3 months.

Motion made by Hagan and seconded by Evans to accept the financial reports as submitted. Voice vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Federal Funding** Page gave a brief update regarding the current budget for FY11. At this point we don't know what the plan is for 2011. Page stated that we need to come up with a plan to develop alternative funding resources. Page also gave a brief update of the FY2011 Federal Emergency Management Agency Funding Projections and the 2011 HSGP Maintenance Costs.

Motion made by Scott and seconded by Schneider to pursue projects as originally planned once the Dept. of Homeland Security publishes the guidance for FY11 and the temporary guidelines are lifted. Voice vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

- **American Express** Dick Huston answered questions regarding the proposed use of the American Express credit card to pay our vendors. This discussion was tabled until after lunch so Dick could talk to Mick McAvooy and Ken Swails and get a legal opinion of this process. Both Mick and Ken agreed that it would be a conflict of interest to give their opinion and said that they should seek outside legal advice regarding this. Dick stated that they would seek outside advice, but would like to tentatively get the board's approval before hand. Roger Scott asks that there be at least one officer be a part of the chain to approve the use of the credit card. .

Motion was made by Schneider and seconded by Feithen to approve the use of the American Express credit card for vendor payments when appropriate and when it financially benefits ILEAS with the contingency that we get approval from an outside attorney and to have 1 officer included in the process. Voice vote taken. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Feithen and seconded by Hagan to approve that the Reward points be directed towards the ILEAS Foundation with the caveat that one half of each rebate check the Foundation receives will be directed back to ILEAS toward the repayment of the initial loan of ILEAS to the Foundation voice Vote taken. Motion passed unanimously.

Current Issues and Updates for Board:

- **Flooding:** Pete Smith gave a brief update of the current flooding that is going in the Southern Region of the state.
- **Mike Chamness** Jim Page stated that Mike has retired and that his last day is Friday April 29th. He has taken a job with the IL Superintendents Association. We wish him well.
- **Cook County Mobile Command Post Upgrades** Page stated that ILEAS has received grants from the Cook County UASI for upgrades to mobile command posts in Cook County that were originally purchased with UASI funds which total \$291,622.

Motion made by Schneider and seconded by Hires to approve the signing of these grant agreements and the expenditures of approximately \$291,622. Voice vote taken. Motion passed unanimously.

- **PD2 Project** Jim Page is looking into testing wireless tablets with our local law enforcement. The PD2 was approved for \$50,000.00 for a pilot project in 2010. Feithen questioned whether or not we should be looking for other uses for this money given the current funding situation. He also stated that this sounds like a great idea when we have a lot of money. Page stated that with the \$2 million local grant budget ILEAS could buy 307 MDC's or 2,000 tablets. It would also save local agencies tens of thousands of 'downhill' costs. Larry Evans explained that the Board voted for MDC's because it fit the interoperability requirement, In-Car Cameras do not. It is at least worth the effort to see this along. Page stated that this is not dependent with Verizon. Feithen asked if alternate equipment, i.e. in-car cameras could be made available for agencies that can't afford the monthly MDC fees.

Motion made by Feithen and seconded by Scott for authorization to continue with the pilot program. Voice vote taken. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Intermodal Grant Update** Jim Page gave a brief update regarding the Intermodal Grant. Page stated that the second phase opened on Monday, April 18 and will end on Friday, May 13, at the close of business. A grant peer review group will score the applications and award sub-grants in the last two weeks of May. The group is made up of 5 individuals from the following disciplines: law enforcement, fire service, emergency management and the Illinois Commerce Commission. A member of the Board will be on the Review Committee. Successful applicants will have through May 31, 2012 to implement and complete the project plan.
- **Intel. Liaison Program Update** Per Jim Page, the Illinois State Police would like to table this until the next Board Meeting due to the flooding issues going on at this time. Jim asked that everyone read the information that was given to them.
- **Resource Management Project** Jim Page is looking to fill the vacancy of Jeff Regan's position in the Springfield area. Trent Thompson met with Jim Page about developing a resource management capability in an attempt to capitalize on the changes to improve our system of managing resources.
 - **EM-COM** Related to this issue and as part of the re-adjusting of call center resources is the establishment of the Emergency Management Communications Center – Known as EM-COM. It is located at Logan County 911.
- **Credentialing** After being discussed with Mike Chamness and Kirk Lonbom, who has been the manager for credentialing since its inception, it has been agreed on that ILEAS would take over the management of the credentialing project and get it started again and start issuing credentials. The current budget for credentialing is \$582,000. Enough to pay a contractor \$24.00 per hour for a full two years.
- **Radiation Detectors** After the earthquake/tsunami in Japan, ILEAS was contacted by David Brown, President of Berkeley Nucleonics Corporation (BNC) to inquire about personal radiation detectors for government workers, public health staff and first responders. It was determined by the Governor's Office that the state of Illinois was going to donate 2,000 personal radiation detectors that had been purchased by ILEAS. These personal radiation detectors have been shipped by Nippon Airlines and the

entire cost of shipping (\$100,000) was being borne by Caterpillar. ILEAS has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with IEMA authorizing the shipment. The MOU obligates the State of Illinois to use its best efforts to compensate ILEAS for the loss of the detectors.

- **Conference Feedback** Jim Page stated that this was the largest conference that ILEAS has ever held with over 600 attendees. Of the 476 ratings that we received by the attendees, 230 of them strongly agree that this was a very successful conference. 97% rated the Conference positive overall as well. Jim Page also apologized for having to leave the Conference due to the health issues with his son Will.
 - **Focus Group** Every two years, ILEAS has formed a focus group of a fairly random selection of over 30 attendees who volunteer to spend one breakout session time with the Executive Director and the President providing candid comments, criticisms and suggestions for ILEAS.
- **Training Center/ALARM Report** As stated by Jim Page the growth here at the training center has been phenomenal! We have a lot of paying customers, as well as around \$150,000 on subleases.

Old Business: Roger Scott asked if anyone has heard of anything new regarding anthrax, which nobody had any knowledge of.

New Business:

- **Narrowbanding Update-** A \$2 million Narrowbanding Grant will be available shortly. The application will be available on-line. Page to send out an e-mail when the application is functional.
- **IMERT** Jim Page stated that IMERT used to be administered by Illinois College of Physicians and now being administered by ILEAS. IMERT also had 2 million dollars of equipment that was separated and distributed between the two parties. Among the equipment was 5 Silverado trucks and 2 Expeditions, one of which was offered to ILEAS at not cost, which we kindly accepted one of the Silverado Trucks.

Adjournment:

At 1:40 Schneider motioned and Hagen seconded to adjourn the meeting.