

## ILLINOIS LAW ENFORCEMENT ALARM SYSTEM CORPORATION AND CONSORTIUM JOINT ANNUAL MEETING

March 3, 2008 9:50 AM

Crowne Plaza – 3000 S. Dirksen Parkway Springfield, Illinois 62703

## **Meeting Minutes**

- Meeting called to order by President Beckwith at 11:30 AM.
- ➤ Attendance List 500 members were present.
- Meeting Called to order by President Mark Beckwith at 09:50.
- ➤ President Beckwith welcomes attendees to the annual conference followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation, and a moment of silence for fallen officers and military personnel.
- > President Beckwith recognized each distinguished guest.
- > Remarks by Sheriff Craig Webre, President of the National Sheriffs Association.
  - O Sheriff Webre discussed Illinois' response to Hurricane Katrina and the life changing event that it was for the entire country. Sheriff Webre believes that disaster response should remain a local and state function and that ILEAS serves as a valuable model to accomplish this goal. Sheriff Webre believes that disaster will strike again and he and other officials want to learn about ILEAS to aid in future responses.
- Remarks by Chief Charles "Rick" Dinse, Law Enforcement representative to FEMA.
  - O Chief Dinse indicates that FEMA has recognized a need for law enforcement input in the disaster planning and response planning process. Studying ILEAS' Katrina response has led to plans study the need for nation response law enforcement deployment teams. Chief Dinse will soon be reporting to Congress on the feasibility of national response scenarios.
- President Beckwith introduced and recognized Chuck Eaneff.
- Remarks by Mike Chamness, Illinois Terrorism Task Force.
  - Chamness is pleased with the growth and development of ILEAS. Thanks were extended to the staff and specifically President Beckwith and Director Page for their work. ILEAS has been involved in every major event and response within

the State of Illinois. Chamness recommends that due to the importance of ILEAS to the State of Illinois, all efforts should be expended to convince legislators of the need for continued funding.

- > President Beckwith introduced each of the current ILEAS Executive Board Members for recognition.
- ➤ Motion was made to accept the board meeting minutes from the March, 2007 Annual Meeting.
  - Motion from the Floor to approve the minutes
  - Second from the floor
  - Motion Passed by Voice Vote
- > Treasurer's report made by Don Bennett.
  - o Don Bennett covered the account balances for ILEAS funds.
  - o Motion from the Floor to approve the financial report.
  - o Second from the Floor
  - o Motion Passed by Voice Vote.
- ➤ Old Business None
- ➤ New Business None
- Motion from the Floor to adjourn the meeting at 10:20
  - o Seconded by the Floor
  - o Meeting Adjourned.
- ➤ Minutes submitted by Secretary Larry Evans