

# Governing Board Meeting July 23, 2020 @ 1100 **ILEAS Training Center** 1701 E. Main St, Urbana, Illinois 61802

# **Governing Board Meeting**

### Meeting called to order

Board President Dave Snyders called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m.

#### Attendance

Sheriff Dave Snyders/President Present Chief David Summer/Secretary Present Chief Mike Metzler/Vice President Present Chief Sean Reynolds/Sqt. at Arms Present Sheriff Brian VanVickle/Treasurer Absent Present Chief Todd Murray Sheriff Dwight Baird Present Chief Bill Kushner Present **Sheriff James Mendrick** Absent Sheriff Jeff Standard Absent Present Chief Ken Winslow Sheriff Jeff Lower Present Sheriff Rick Robbins Absent Lieutenant Chris Conrad Absent Absent Sheriff Andrew Hires Chief Harold Masse Absent Sheriff Robert Burns\*

Present Kilguist/ Delegate

**Chief Bradley Potts** Present

Present Phillips/ Delegate ISP Mark Pevton \* Major Trent Phillips

Deputy Chief Eric Carter \* Absent Commander Sean Loughran \* Absent

Out of 21 members 12 members were present with 2 delegates.

Also in attendance: Jim Page, Executive Director, Larry Evans, Chief of Staff, Nancy Crossman, Jan Plotner, Skip Frost, Mick McAvoy, Calvin Stearns and Pete Smith.

o Introductions & Guests

#### > Public Comments

## > Approval of Minutes of May 28, 2020 Meeting

Motion made by **Baird** and seconded by **Kushner** to approve the minutes of the May 28, 2020 Board meeting. Voice vote taken. Motion passed unanimously.

#### > Financial

## Fiscal Reports

Jan Plotner gave a brief overview of ILEAS' financial reports, including Balance Sheet summary, Business Account summary, Grant Reports and Grant Adjustment report. Motion made by *Potts* and seconded by *Kushner* to accept and adopt the ILEAS financial reports including Balance Sheet summary, Business Account summary, Grant reports and Grant Adjustment report. Voice vote taken. *Motion passed unanimously.* 

# State FY21 Preparedness and Response Grant (PAR)

ITTF has approved and IEMA has issued ILEAS a portion of the \$5 million State FY21 PAR grant. See issues document for items that ILEAS received. Motion made by **Lower** and seconded by **Kushner** to authorize staff to accept the State FY21 PAR grants and to formally add it to the ILEAS budget, to authorize staff to issue a purchase order to acquire an additional 4<sup>th</sup> Bearcat for capital replacement and approve the acquisition of the following special teams' equipment to include LION Suits, SCBA Bottles and Mobile Field Force trucks. Voice vote taken. **Motion passed unanimously.** 

## Line of Credit Expansion Approval

ILEAS has had a line of credit of \$250,000 for the last few years. With the increase in State Preparedness and Response grant funds available to ILEAS, the cash flow situation has worsened. Because of the recent purchase of two Bearcats, ILEAS will have to come up with \$700,000 at one time to take physical possession of them. There is a grant Catch-22:

- 1. We cannot have the Bearcat in our possession until we pay the vendor approximately \$700,000.
- 2. Federal & State Grant Rules prohibit us from submitting an invoice for reimbursement to the State until we have the Bearcats in our possession. PNC ILEAS' primary bank has offered an increase in our Line of Credit from \$250,000 to \$800,000 with an approximate 1% lesser interest rate than we are currently paying. It will be reviewed by the bank and the Governing Board a year from now. Motion made by *Metzler* and seconded by *Lower* to approve the authorization of the expansion of the Line of Credit from \$250,000 to \$800,000 as described above. Voice vote taken. *Motion passed unanimously*.

#### Financial Policies

- Investment
- Others

As per Federal Grant guidance for Federal Awards, ILEAS is required to document internal controls for any area of compliance that is applicable for federal programs. This is part of internal control.

Motion made by **Summer** and seconded by **Reynolds** to approve the policies as proposed. Voice vote taken. **Motion passed unanimously.** 

#### Staff Raises

On July 25, 2019, The Governing Board adopted the Federal FY2019 budget. In that budget as proposed and accepted was a 2% increase for ILEAS staff that would take effect on July 1, 2020 when the FFY19 grant started. See issues document for the table that

outlines a history of staff pay increases and salary schedule adjustments over the last seven years.

Motion made by *Metzler* and seconded by *Murray* to approve the new salary as presented. Voice vote taken. *Motion passed unanimously.* 

## > Current Issues & Updates for Board

# o COVID19 7 Civil Unrest Update

To date at least 54 events have been cancelled based on the ILETSB funding issue and COVID19 cancellations. On June 26, 2020, the Governor issued an Executive Order, initiating Phase 4 of the Restore Illinois Plan. As part of that reopening, the ILEAS Training Center is now scheduling events again. However, there are restrictions and guidance that ILEAS must follow. See the issues document for details. So far, there are 39 events scheduled between now and when the Board meets next September.

#### **Joint Operational Command**

Statewide law enforcement activities with regard to COVID19 are being coordinated through the Law Enforcement Joint Operation Command (JOC). The JOC has been stood down for the moment.

### **Law Enforcement Support Centers**

The three Law Enforcement Support Centers have been stood down.

#### Info to Agencies

Information about COVID19 issues, procedures, guidelines, executive orders, links and many documents are available to law enforcement on their ILEAS web page. It is updated daily. ILEAS has begun the process of archiving old material. However, the resources will stay up as long as Illinois is in phase 4.

## **Special Teams**

During the civil disorder in June, all ILEAS special teams were active to one degree or another. Staffer Mike Cahill tracked the deployments daily.

## o Bearcat Purchase and Status Update

#### To-Date Summary of Bearcat Capital Replacement

The Board approved the inter-fund movement of money to order two new Bearcats. Because of the ongoing COVID19 restrictions, more funds became available and the Board approved the acquisition of a third Bearcat. All three Bearcats have been ordered with delivery dates in August 2020 for the first two and May 2021 for the third one.

#### NIPAS Bear

NIPAS Special Response team will be receiving a new Bearcat to replace their full sized Bear. ILEAS has \$189,000 remaining in the budget in 18UAILESRT. NIPAS and ILEAS have agreed to an arrangement for those funds and the Bear. ILEAS issued purchase orders for equipment for the NIPAS Special Response Team. In consideration of that, NIPAS will cede their Bear to ILEAS for redistribution. It is estimated that the NIPAS Bearcat will arrive in January 2021 and the transfer of the Bear to ILEAS will take place shortly thereafter.

#### Replacement Strategy

When the two new Bearcats arrive in August, one will be assigned to WMD Special Response Team Region 9/11. The other will be assigned to WMD Special Response Team Region 6/7. Region 9/11 will retain their current Bearcat. Adding a shared Bearcat to the three regions will lessen mileage build up which will lengthen its useful life. The Region 6/7/ Bearcat, however, will be surplused. In January of 2021, the Bear from NIPAS and the surplus Bearcat from 6/7 will be available to be reassigned. In June, two more surplused Bearcats (the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> orders) will also be available. See issues document to see the plan as agreed to by NIPAS.

The motion to approve the purchase order to acquire an additional Bearcat has been included in the above paragraph of 'State FY21 Preparedness and Response Grant (PAR)'.

# Special Teams Equipment Acquisitions

#### Mobile Field Force Trucks

The last of the three Mobile Field Force Teams' trucks need to be ordered. Using PAR funds for the last two years, we have already replaced six, so these are the last three.

#### Lion Suits

This is the most modern HAZMAT suits that is used in the tactical Special Response Team discipline. In SFY20 we bought 100 of the suits. This year we plan to buy 95 more at a cost of approximately \$201,000.

### SCBA Bottles

The current bottles were bought in 2005 and have reached the certified end of life and need to be replaced. Current pricing is approximately \$1163 per bottle. A third of the bottles are being replaced on a three-year cycle, starting in SFY2021 (125 bottles). This is a first of a three-year capital replacement process as has been ILEAS' practice.

 Motion to approve the acquisition of the following special teams' equipment to include LION Suits, SCBA Bottles and Mobile Field Force trucks as described above has been included in the above paragraph of 'State FY21 Preparedness and Response Grant (PAR)'.

# > Old Business

#### New Business

- o Next Meeting September 24, 2020 ILEAS Training Center
- o Last Meeting of 2020 December 10, 2020 ILEAS Training Center

# Adjournment

Motion made by *Potts* and seconded by *Baird* to adjourn the meeting at 11:52 a.m. Voice vote taken. *Motion passed unanimously* 

Mike Metzler