



**MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
ILLINOIS STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES
March 27, 2020
Conference Call**

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Illinois State Association of Counties (ISACo) was held on Friday, March 27, 2020, at 11:11 a.m. via conference call.

Cook, Commissioner Deborah Sims, President
DuPage, Board Member James Healy, Vice President
Washington, Chairman David Meyer, Secretary
Winnebago, Auditor Bill Crowley, Treasurer

ISACo STAFF

Joe McCoy, Executive Director

GUEST

Kendall, Board Member Matt Prochaska, ISACo Board Member

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Treasurer Crowley and seconded by Vice President Healy to approve the minutes from the February 19, 2020, meeting of the Executive Committee. The minutes were approved.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

President's Report

President Sims reported that the March 13, 2020, meeting of the Cook and Collar County Presidents/Executives/Chairs in Chicago was postponed as a precaution because of COVID-19.

Vice President's Report

No report.

Secretary's Report

Secretary Meyer praised the National Association of Counties (NACo) Legislative Conference (February 29 – March 4).

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Crowley reviewed the financial reports and indicated ISACo's financial condition remains strong. The Committee was asked to review and approve the most recent check detail. A motion was made by Vice President Healy and seconded by President Sims to approve the check detail. The motion was approved. Treasurer Crowley reported that Brenna Metrow is now receiving her compensation via direct deposit. He indicated that obtaining a software upgrade would expedite the direct deposit process. A motion was made by Vice President Healy and seconded by President Sims to purchase the software. The motion was approved.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director McCoy reviewed ISACo's activities in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. He made the decision to close ISACo's office and transition staff to remote work beginning on March 16, 2020. He discussed ISACo's COVID-19 resource page on the website and ISACo's frequent e-mails to county board officials with important information and updates. Director McCoy listed the various topics included within the e-mails. He also discussed ISACo's advocacy efforts to date at the state and federal levels. Director McCoy indicated he is participating in COVID-19 conference calls hosted by the White House, the Governor's Office and NACo.

Director McCoy conveyed that Hamilton County approved a resolution to join ISACo. This brings ISACo's membership to 24 counties.

Director McCoy discussed how the COVID-19 pandemic would likely impact the economy. State and local tax revenues are expected to decline. This decline is likely to affect dues payments to ISACo. Most of ISACo's 2020 dues have been collected because invoices went out in early January 2020. He also indicated ISACo will likely see reduced royalty funds from Nationwide for a few quarters. In anticipation of an unforeseen development, the 2020 ISACo budget was conservative and deliberately included less royalty money than suggested by projection estimates. ISACo also retains healthy reserves. As a precaution, Director McCoy indicated he wants to delay certain planned 2020 major expenditures until 2021 to provide time to reassess the economy and its impact on ISACo. President Sims requested that Director McCoy contact a website service provider he has been working with to determine how the economic slowdown might affect their pricing. Director McCoy acknowledged he would do so.

Director McCoy conveyed that ISACo continues to build out its corporate partner program and is on the precipice of two additional partnerships.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Director McCoy indicated that ISACo's 2020 legislative agenda is on hold as a result of the General Assembly not convening. He also reported that ISACo cancelled our scheduled April 29, 2020, Lobby Day event and received a full refund from the hotel.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Vice President Healy discussed the prospect of ISACo applying for federal Small Business Administration (SBA) funds. He indicated he would investigate the option.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Executive Committee of the Illinois State Association of Counties, a motion was made by Vice President Healy and seconded by Treasurer Crowley to adjourn. The motion was approved and the meeting adjourned at 12:01 p.m.