# MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING ILLINOIS STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES November 16, 2018 Springfield, IL

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Illinois State Association of Counties (ISACo) was held on Friday, November 16, 2018, at 9:37 a.m. at the ISACo Office in Springfield, IL at which the following were in attendance in person or via teleconference:

Cook, Commissioner Deborah Sims – President
DuPage, Commissioner James Healy, Vice President
Washington, Commissioner David Meyer, Secretary
Winnebago, Auditor Bill Crowley, Treasurer
Cook, Commissioner Stanley Moore
Cook, Commissioner Luis Arroyo, Jr.
Tazewell, Chairman David Zimmerman
Will, Commissioner Suzanne Hart

#### **ISACo STAFF**

Joe McCoy, Executive Director

#### **GUESTS**

Cook, Chief of Staff Aeria Charles with Commissioner Sims' Office Cook, Cauren Burns with Commissioner Moody's Office DuPage, Administrator Tom Cucilich Kendall, Commissioner Matt Prochaska Will, Chief of Staff Nick Palmer

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Consideration of the minutes from the September 7, 2018, meeting was held in abeyance until the December meeting.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Bill Crowley reviewed the financial reports provided to the Board. He indicated reports can be generated using different formats. He also updated the Board on newly-received revenues from the National Association of Counties (NACo) and Kane County. The Board discussed the need to acquire a credit or debit card for use by Joe McCoy. Vice President Healy discussed NACo's financial contribution to ISACo. New dues invoices will be sent out after January 1, 2019. The Board discussed the creation of a budget to guide the organization. President Sims asked Joe McCoy to review ISACo's budgetary needs and report back to the Board. At that time, the Board would determine whether a budget committee should be established. Joe stated that he would draft a recommended budget for presentation at the next meeting. Commissioner Moore asked Treasurer Crowley to explain why Winnebago's dues payment was marked "invoice"

rather than "paid." Treasurer Crowley explained the dues were received but not yet deposited. Discussion ensued about how dues are assessed. A motion to accept the report was made by Commissioner Moore and seconded by Chairman Zimmerman. The motion was approved.

# **EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT**

President Sims asked Joe McCoy to present a report. Joe McCoy updated the Board on the progress being made in setting-up ISACo's office as well as with services acquired or pending for office technology needs, insurance coverage and full-time/contractual personnel needs. Vice President Healy discussed the purchase and installation of ISACo's door and indicated the door belongs to ISACo and would travel with the association in the event of an office relocation. Joe McCoy indicated a contract for phone services has been signed with Comcast as part of ISACo's business package. A motion to accept the report was made by Commissioner Hart and seconded by Vice President Healy. The motion was approved.

The Board revisited the Executive Director's Report later during the meeting to discuss membership issues. Vice President Healy asked Commissioner Prochaska to explain how the United Council of Illinois (UCCI) is funding NACO dues on behalf of its members. Approximately 56 new counties have joined NACO as a result of this UCCI funding.

Joe McCoy indicated his first hire would be an administrative assistant. Discussion ensued about the need to also hire someone to assist with recruiting members and corporate sponsors.

## **ISACo SEAL**

Vice President Healy requested that the Board consider the ISACo seal concept included within the meeting materials. The Board supported the logo with a preference for a darker blue. A motion was made by Vice President Healy and seconded by Commissioner Hart to have Joe McCoy to select the final colors. The motion was approved.

## **VETO SESSION UPDATE**

President Sims asked Joe McCoy to provide a Veto Session report. Joe McCoy indicated that action occurred on three issues among the several identified by ISACo as likely to be considered during Veto Session. The issues were as follows: (1) an amendatory veto override in the Senate of legislation to establish a regulatory framework for peer-to-peer car sharing (SB 2641); (2) Senate passage of a bill to expand the use of revenue generated from the Special County Retailers' Occupation Tax (HB 4560); and (3) House defeat of a bill requiring taxing bodies to establish disadvantaged business enterprise programs as a prerequisite for receipt of Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) revenues (SB 2610). The Board held an extended discussion about SB 2610. The Board believes the technical/legal problems inherent within the bill must be addressed. President Sims stated that the issue would not be resolved immediately and ISACo should remain involved with the legislation. A motion was made by Commissioner Hart and seconded by Commissioner Moore that staff draft a "principles and policies" document to guide staff when taking official

legislative positions. The motion was approved. A motion was made by Vice President Healy and seconded by Chairman Zimmerman that ISACo support HB 4560. The motion was approved.

## **LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

A discussion occurred about the formation of an ISACo Legislative Committee. Vice President Healy asked Joe McCoy to discuss initial proposals concerning how to structure the committee. Joe McCoy indicated he prepared five different proposals for review by the Board that can be considered along with any other proposals. Joe indicated he will email the proposals to the Board along with a proposed bill review and position determination protocol. Vice President Healy recommended that ISACo affiliates be involved with the Legislative Committee. The Board will further discuss the Legislative Committee during the December meeting. A motion was made by Commissioner Moore and seconded by Commissioner Hart to accept the report. The motion was approved.

#### **ISACo CAUCUSES**

President Sims requested an update on ISACo caucuses. Vice President Healy indicated the Cook and Collar County Caucus will meet on December 7. Joe McCoy will attend that meeting. The caucus will discuss impending legislation and the hiring of a contract lobbyist. The Large County Board Caucus and Rural Caucus need to select contract lobbyists as well. Vice President Healy stated that ISACo must recruit the larger counties over the next year. While discussing legislation, Joe McCoy inquired about the impact lead pipe mitigation would have on counties and a discussion about the issue ensued. A motion was made to accept the report by Vice President Healy and seconded by Commissioner Hart. The motion was approved.

#### **ISACo COMMITTEES**

President Sims called for a discussion about ISACo committees. Vice President Healy recommended that Joe McCoy determine committee needs. A motion was made by Vice President Healy and seconded by Treasurer Crowley that Joe McCoy hold the conversations necessary to determine ISACo's committee needs.

#### APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President Sims requested a discussion about reappointing Board members. Vice President Healy indicated the bylaws require all Board members to be reappointed in even numbered years. New Board members must be identified by the first meeting in December. A motion was made by Vice President Healy and seconded by Chairman Zimmerman to accept the report. The motion was approved.

## **UPCOMING MEETING**

The Board directed staff to propose possible dates and times for a December meeting in Springfield.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

President Sims asked if there was any old business that required discussion. A discussion ensued concerning opposition to the state administrative fee on locally-imposed sales taxes.

Chairman Zimmerman asked if there will be a legislative breakfast at the NACo conference. Commissioner Healy recommended the breakfast occur. Chairman Zimmerman also raised the issue of Illinois potentially losing representation on the NACo Board based upon electoral circumstances and encouraged future discussion of the issue.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

President Sims asked if there was any new business that required discussion. Vice President Healy requested that Joe McCoy show the Board the e-communication used by the Maryland Association of Counties (MACo). Joe McCoy reviewed the features of the e-communication for the Board. Joe McCoy indicated ISACo will subscribe to Capitol Fax.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Illinois State Association of Counties, a motion was made by Vice President Healy and seconded by Treasurer Crowley to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved, and the meeting was adjourned at 11:27 a.m.