

# MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING ILLINOIS STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES October 10, 2019 828 South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Suite 102 Springfield, IL 62704

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Illinois State Association of Counties (ISACo) was held on Thursday, October 10, 2019, at 4:36 p.m. in Springfield, IL.

Cook, Commissioner Deborah Sims, President DuPage, Board Member James Healy, Vice President Winnebago, Treasurer Bill Crowley

#### ISACo STAFF

Joe McCoy, Executive Director

## **GUEST**

Aeria Charles, Cook County

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Vice President Healy and seconded by Treasurer Crowley to approve the minutes from the September 10, 2019, meeting of the Executive Committee. The minutes were approved.

## **OFFICERS' REPORTS**

President's Report

President Sims discussed ISACo's participation in the Chicago Football Classic.

Vice President's Report

Vice President Healy indicated that he and President Sims will be attending the National Association of Counties' (NACo) Large Urban County Caucus in November. He and President Sims will also attend the NACo Defined Contribution and Retirement Advisory Committee meeting in November.

Secretary's Report

Secretary Meyer was excused from the meeting.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Crowley indicated ISACo's financial reports show the association is in a healthy financial condition. He asked for the Executive Committee's approval of the check detail. A motion was made by Vice President Healy and seconded by Treasurer Crowley to approve the check detail. The motion was approved. Treasurer Crowley reported that he and Executive Director McCoy met with ISACo's outside audit/accounting firm earlier that morning to discuss taxes and ISACo's next audit.

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Executive Director McCoy reported the following:

ISACo will sign a one-year lease to remain in its current office. The lease may be extended based upon ISACo's experience with utility costs following the landlord's installation of a heat pump to reduce heating costs. Several office enhancements would be paid for by ISACo following a multi-year lease.

ISACo presently has 4 corporate partners with 2 additional partners on the verge of joining the program.

The fall *County Quarterly Newsletter* is at the printer and will be mailed to counties in October.

The Board discussed an annual meeting and tentatively scheduled the meeting for December 13 in Chicago. Additional information will be forthcoming.

Executive Director McCoy indicated he is working on a draft amendment to the bylaws. Additional suggested changes are welcome and will be included for consideration at the annual meeting.

Executive Director McCoy reported he will be attending NACo's National Council of County Association Executives (NCCAE) in October and will fund a portion of the trip himself to defray costs to ISACo. The Executive Committee will recommend that the Board approve expenses not to exceed \$2,000 for the conference.

The Committee discussed the issue of legal services provided to county boards.

#### **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

Executive Director McCoy reported that ISACo renewed its contract with Scarabeus for legislative advocacy services in 2020. He also discussed introduced legislation that would remove county appointment authority for position on the Metra Board of Directors (HB 3911).

## **OLD BUSINESS**

The Committee discussed the renewal of ISACo's contract with Hart Solutions for another 6-month period at the current rate of compensation. The matter requires Board approval.

The Committee discussed forthcoming changes to the classification status of an ISACo employee and employee salary/benefit issues. Executive Director McCoy is preparing an employee handbook draft to be reviewed by Vice President Healy.

The Committee discussed the proposed membership expansion plan that would be presented to the Board for its consideration the following day.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Executive Committee of the Illinois State Association of Counties, the Committee adjourned at 6:19 p.m.