

## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING ILLINOIS STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES January 5, 2022 Zoom Video Conference

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Illinois State Association of Counties (ISACo) was held on Wednesday, January 5, 2022, at 2:14 p.m. at which the following were in attendance via Zoom:

Cook, Commissioner Deborah Sims, President Kendall, Circuit Clerk Matt Prochaska, Vice President Winnebago, Treasurer William Crowley Cook, Commissioner Stanley Moore Cook, Commissioner Peter Silvestri DuPage, Chairman Dan Cronin Lake, Chairwoman Sandy Hart Ogle, Chairman John Finfrock Will, Board Member Denise Winfrey

# ISACo STAFF

Joe McCoy, Executive Director

## GUESTS

Cook, Commissioner Dennis Deer

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Treasurer Crowley and seconded by Board Member Winfrey to approve the minutes from the October 8 and October 15, 2021, combined meeting. The motion was approved and the minutes were adopted.

# **OFFICER'S REPORTS**

President's Report

President Sims wished the Board a Happy New Year. She also discussed the February 12-16, 2022, National Association of Counties (NACo) Legislative Conference. President Sims announced that she would be retired as a Cook County Commissioner on December

1, 2022, and that Cook County Commissioner Dennis Deer will be appointed to replace her as a Cook County representative on the Board at that time. A motion was made by Board Member Silvestri and seconded by Board Member Hart to receive and file the report. The motion was approved.

#### Vice President's Report

Vice President Prochaska provided some background on why NACo made a hotel change for the February Legislative Conference. He also discussed efforts to encourage more Illinois counties to join NACo. A motion was made by Board Member Silvestri and seconded by Board Member Hart to receive and file the report. The motion was approved.

#### Secretary's Report No report.

#### Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Crowley discussed the most recent financial report and check detail. He reported that ISACo's financial situation is strong. A motion was made by Board Member Silvestri and seconded by Board Member Hart to receive and file the report. The motion was approved.

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Director McCoy presented a budget for FY2022. A motion was made by Board Member Silvestri and seconded by Treasurer Crowley approve the budget. The motion was approved. Director McCoy requested approval for the following three contracts: (1) Alexander, Borovicka and O'Shea (lobbyist), Scarabaeus (lobbyist) and Hart Solutions (membership and corporate partners). A motion to approve the lobbyists contracts was made by Board Member Hart and seconded by Board Member Moore. The motion was approved. Following a discussion about the Hart Solutions Contract, a motion was made by Member Hart and seconded by Board Member Moore to approve the Hart Solutions Contract. The motion was approved. Director McCoy provided an update about ISACo's partnership with the law firm of Mahoney, Silverman and Cross that will offer educational opportunities for ISACo member counties. He discussed the NACo Legislative Conference and announced that ISACo will partner with the United Counties Council of Illinois (UCCI) to co-sponsor a dinner during the conference. He also informed the Board that he will be transitioning from a contractor to a full-time ISACo employee in 2022.

### **LEGISLATIVE REPORT**

Vice President Prochaska presented the recommendations of the Legislative Committee for ISACo's 2022 Legislative Agenda. A motion was made by Board Member Silvestri and seconded by Board Member Winfrey to approve the agenda. The motion was approved. Vice President Prochaska presented the recommendations of the Legislative Committee to amend ISACo's 2022 *County Platform*. A motion was made by Vice President Prochaska and seconded by Board Member Hart to adopt the amendments to the *County Platform*. The motion was approved. Director McCoy provided a status update on the litigation over the federal vaccine/testing mandate.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Director McCoy conveyed that, following the nomination by President Sims, the Executive Committee recommended the appointment of Tazewell County Board Chairman David Zimmerman to fill one of two new positions on the ISACo Board of Directors. A motion was made by Board Member Silvestri and seconded by Board Member Winfrey to approve the appointment. The motion was unanimously approved to add Chairman Zimmerman to the Board of Directors.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

President Sims invited Board Member Winfrey to provide an update about the NACo Legislative Conference in her capacity as NACo 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President. Board Member Winfrey provided an update.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Illinois State Association of Counties, a motion was made by Board Member Winfrey and seconded by Board Member Silvestri to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved, and the meeting was adjourned at 3:14 pm.