

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING ILLINOIS STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES June 19, 2020 Conference Call

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Illinois State Association of Counties (ISACo) was held on Friday, June 19, 2020, at 10:16 a.m. at which the following were in attendance via teleconference:

DuPage, Board Member James D. Healy, Vice President Winnebago, Auditor Bill Crowley, Treasurer Kendall, Board Member Matt Prochaska Ogle, Chairman John Finfrock Will, Executive Denise Winfrey Tazewell, Chairman David Zimmerman

ISACo STAFF

Joe McCoy, Executive Director

GUESTS

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Vice President Healy and seconded by Board Member Prochaska to approve the minutes from the February 20, 2020, meeting. The motion was approved and the minutes were adopted.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

No report.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Vice President Healy spoke about the difficult times confronting counties as a result of COVID-19 and how counties are having to adapt to change. The Board welcomed its newest member, Ogle County Chairman John Finfrock to the Board of Directors.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

No report.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Crowley reported that ISACo's financial condition remains strong. He provided an overview of the balance sheet and other financial reports. He discussed the check detail document and asked the Board for a motion to approve the document. A motion was made by Board Member Prochaska and seconded by Board Member Zimmerman to approve the check detail document. The motion was approved.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

Executive Director McCoy indicated that, per prior approval of the Executive Committee and Board of Directors, he entered into a contract with LRS to design and build a new website for ISACo.

Director McCoy and Vice President Healy provided an update about ISACo's development of a "cash in lieu" program that will reduce health insurance costs for local governments while generating non-dues revenue for ISACo.

Director McCoy discussed the cancellation of the National Association of Counties (NACo) Annual Conference and the virtual events that will occur instead. These events include a July 13 Townhall and July 20 Annual Business Meeting. He shared information about the delegate registration and voting process associated with the Annual Business Meeting.

He invited ISACo Board Member and candidate for NACo 2nd Vice President, Denise Winfrey, to speak about her candidacy.

He also informed the Board of ISACo staff work that has occurred during the pandemic to date. These activities included advocacy at both the state and federal levels and frequent member communications. ISACo sent out 25 e-communications associated with the COVID-19 emergency response and published 16 "News and Views" e-newsletters for a total of 41 official ISACo communications with county officials during the first 6 months of 2020.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Executive Director McCoy discussed the 2020 spring legislative session and noted that it was an historically unusual legislative session with most session days being cancelled as a result of COVID-19.

He reported on ISACo's advocacy with the House and Senate Local Government Working Groups appointed in preparation for the General Assembly's eventual return for an abbreviated session period in May. ISACo was invited to present our advocacy requests during virtual meetings of the working groups.

He provided an overview of the major legislation approved by the General Assembly during the limited number of session days. Issues discussed included the following:

- State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2021 Budget
- CARES Act Funding
- Local Government Distributive Fund (LGDF) Percentage Increase
- Corporate Personal Property Replacement Tax (CPPRT) Reduction
- Remote Meeting Authority for Public Bodies
- Election Omnibus Bill
- Workers' Compensation
- Property Tax Late Payment Penalty Waiver

Director McCoy discussed an Illinois Supreme Court decision negating a 2016 law that imposed requirements on county boards and individual board members seeking to continue service in the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF).

He invited Board members to suggest issues for possible inclusion within ISACo's 2021 legislative agenda.

	OLD BUSINESS
None.	
	NEW BUSINESS
None.	
	ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Illinois State Association of Counties, a motion was made by Treasurer Crowley and seconded by Board Member Prochaska to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved, and the meeting was adjourned at 11:17 a.m.