

IPLEA MEETING MINUTES APRIL 13, 2005

The April Meeting of the Illinois Park Law Enforcement Association was held at Starved Rock Lodge in Utica, Illinois on April 13, 2005. President Ward Davis called the meeting to order at 11:10 AM.

Present were:

Ward Davis	Decatur Park District
Jeff Diedrick	McHenry County Conservation District
Carolyn Stark	Fox Valley Park District
Brett Davis	PDRMA
Jerry Venable	Rockford Park District
Bob Murphy	Will County Forest Preserve District
Steve Laskowski	DuPage County Forest Preserve District

Treasurer Report:

A motion was made by Jerry Venable and seconded by Carolyn Stark to approve the report as printed. Motion was approved.

Secretary Report:

The Secretary's report from the January meeting was previously approved as amended by Ward Davis via email.

Old Business:

Web Site – Carolyn Stark indicated the problem with the web site had been fixed. She reminded all agencies that have job openings to forward the job notice to Mark Johnson. Additionally, if anyone would like articles posted to the web site, please forward those to Mark Johnson as well.

Newsletter – Carolyn Stark indicated the newsletter had just been recently sent out. There followed some discussion regarding the price of color copies and whether the newsletters are more effective in color or black and white. Brett Davis volunteered PDRMA to print the newsletters in color and return them to Carolyn Stark for distribution.

Membership – Carolyn Stark indicated membership is currently at 54 members.

Not For Profit – Jeff Diedrick indicated all paperwork has been caught up. Jeff turned the paperwork over to Carolyn Stark indicating it needs to be filed with the Clerk's Office in Kane County.

Yearly IPLEA Budget – Jeff Diedrick indicated the budget is not quite finished but will be in the near future.

2005 Fall IPLEA Conference – Carolyn Stark indicated one of the tentative topics for the Fall Conference will be a session presented by the State of Illinois on statistics and mistakes during officer involved shootings. Carolyn indicated there may also be a breakout session for supervisors emphasizing the appropriate training for officers. A preliminary budget will be

presented at the May IPLEA Meeting. Additionally, Carolyn is looking for volunteers to set-up two classes.

Spring Workshop – Carolyn Stark indicated there are currently only a few registrations for the spring workshop.

New Business:

PLEA Newsletter – Ward Davis indicated PLEA is looking for newsletter articles. If anyone has a newsletter article, please forward it to Ward and he will send it to PLEA.

ILEAS – Ward Davis reported ILEAS, a state wide mutual aid program for police, is a program that park law enforcement officers should look into. Ward indicated ILEAS is a source for terrorism grant money and he is working on a session for the fall IPLEA conference.

Other Business:

Jerry Venable reported May 13 – 15, 2005 is Police Memorial Week in Rockford and inquired whether IPLEA would be interested in having a booth. The general consensus was this may be something to consider for next year.

Jeff Diedrick indicated the IPLEA bank account had been changed to Prairie Community Bank in Marengo. Prairie Community Bank is able to offer a third debit card and is providing interest on the checking account.

Ward Davis requested the Treasurer's and Secretary's report be emailed to him one week in advance of the regularly scheduled meeting. Ward will then distribute the reports via email.

The May IPLEA meeting is changed from May 11th to May 9th. The meeting will remain at 11:00 AM at Starved Rock. A motion was made by Carolyn Stark and seconded by Jeff Diedrick to adjourn the meeting at 12:20 PM. Motion was approved.