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Illinois Park Law Enforcement Association

"Dedicated to the Advancement of the Park Law Enforcement Profession"



January 7, 2007
MEETING SUMMARY

The January meeting of the Illinois Park Law Enforcement Association was held at the Eagle Ridge Resort, Galena, Illinois. Jeff Diedrick called the meeting to order at 5:08 PM.

Present were:

Jeff Diedrick	McHenry County Conservation District
Carolyn Stark	Fox Valley Park District
Bob Murphy	Will County Forest Preserve
Reggie McCrary	Will County Forest Preserve
Jerry Venable	Rockford Park District
John Waxweiler, Jr	Lockport Township Park District
Patty Bowker	Kane County Forest Preserve
Pete Stankiewicz	PDRMA

Treasurer Report:

Jeff Diedrick provided a treasurers report from December 2, 2006 through January 5th, 2007. There is a current balance of \$8241.99 with an additional \$3000 in the Death and Disability Escrow account.

Jeff also provided the committee with a complete list of all individual entrees of monies received in 2006. After reviewing this information it was confirmed that the IPLEA finances are in good standing. There was a motion to approve the Treasurers Report made by Carolyn Stark and seconded by Jerry Venable. Motion was approved.

Secretary Report:

Pete Stankiewicz distributed copies of the December 2006 minutes for review. A motion was made by Carolyn Stark and seconded by John Waxweiler, Jr to approve the December 2006 report. Motion was approved.

Old Business:

2007 Winter Retreat

Jeff Diedrick informed the committee that there were a few schedule changes for the conference.

- The speaker for Tuesday morning cancelled. Jeff was able to get Pete Stankiewicz from PDRMA to discuss the proposed changes to the 2007 Loss Control Review in their place.
- Jeff also confirmed that there was going to be a PLEA meeting prior to sessions on Tuesday Morning.

- Lunch and Dinner were going to now be included in the registration fee for the conference. The hotel provided a good price and the lunch meal was going to be served in the training room.
- Everything else for the conference was set.

2007 PLEA Conference

No new information

Website Report

No new information

Annual Conference “Things to Do List”

No new information

Fall Newsletter

The newsletter was sent to all IPLEA members and was posted to the website. No additional information to report.

Membership

Carolyn Stark provided the committee with a list of the currently registered individual members and a list of agency members as of the Friday prior to the winter retreat. She indicated that she had received faxes from agencies but had not received payment. These will be added once payment is received.

Carolyn informed the committee that the registration form is on the website. There was discussion by the group that there were still members that had not registered for 2007. Carolyn was still anticipating more registrations.

Several committee members commented that they had recently contacted or had conversations with agencies that have never been members of IPLEA. They asked the individuals to consider a membership and participation with the Association. The board members indicated that these agencies were interested in more information.

New Business

By-Law Changes

Jeff Diedrick updated the committee on the proposed by-law changes. The proposed changes were e-mailed to the committee the week prior to the meeting for time to review. Additional copies were distributed at the meeting.

The main structural changes to the by-laws were

- Separate the Vice President and Treasurer duties
- Include e-mail options for notice of meetings
- Changed the county which the association resides

There was minimal discussion regarding these updates. There was a motion by Carolyn Stark, IPLEA Director and Seconded by Jerry Venable, IPLEA Director. IPLEA Director, Roy

Johnson was not present and not available by cell phone. The motion was voted on by the directors present and was approved.

Nominations for Officers

The election process for IPLEA Positions needed to take place at the January meeting. The positions can only be voted on by the Directors of IPLEA, however, nomination can be submitted from the committee and general membership.

President: Bob Murphy Nominated Jeff Diedrick for the position of President. The nomination was unanimously approved.

Vice President: Jeff Diedrick Nominated John Waxweiler Jr. for the position of Vice President. The nomination was unanimously approved.

Treasurer: Carolyn Stark Nominated Patty Bowker for the position of Treasurer. The nomination was unanimously approved.

Secretary: Bob Murphy nominated Pete Stankiewicz for the position of Secretary. The nomination was unanimously approved.

Jeff Diedrick thanked the Directors, the committee for their assistance in the nomination and election process. Jeff also thanked all of the officers for stepping into these important positions.

Death and Disability Escrow

Jeff Diedrick gave the committee an overview of the history of the Death and Disability Escrow program and that there is currently \$3000 in the account. Jeff stated that the original plan was to work to build an escrow balance of \$5000 by placing annual deposits/transfer of \$500. Over that last two years the finances have allowed for the deposit/transfer to be \$1000.

There was discussion on what the deposit/transfer should be for 2007 and a motion was made by Pete Stankiewicz to deposit an additional \$1000 to the Death and Disability Escrow Account. John Waxweiler Jr. seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Once the 2007 transfer was approved Jeff Diedrick informed the committee that there were no submissions for withdrawal in 2006.

A discussion then took place regarding where this money should be placed. Jeff Diedrick proposed to the committee to consider investing the funds into an alternate location like a 6 or 12 month CD. Currently the money is in a low interest bearing savings account. Using a CD would allow the escrow to gain additional funds and does not need to be evaluated until January of 2008 for possible distributions.

Bob Murphy made a motion to transfer the \$4000 Death and Disability Escrow funds from the current IPLEA savings account and place it into a 12 month CD. Pete Stankiewicz seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. Jeff was going to work with the bank IPLEA currently has all funds in to make this happen.

Other Business:

Pete Stankiewicz asked the committee if they would be interested in regional training opportunities for their officers. He proposed several topics and the committee discussed. Pete indicated that if there was interest by a number of departments that PDRMA would be willing to coordinate and fund the training. This issue will need to be revisited.

A motion was made by Jerry Venable and seconded by John Waxweiler Jr. to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 6:22 PM. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 14th, Grand Bear Lodge, Utica beginning at 10:30 am. Please refer to the IPLEA website for directions.

2007 IPLEA Meeting Dates

Date	Time	Location
February 14	10:30 am	Grand Bear Lodge / Utica
March 14	11 am	Grand Bear Lodge / Utica
April 11	11 am	Grand Bear Lodge / Utica
May 9	11 am	Grand Bear Lodge / Utica
June 6 – 8	PLEA Conference	Hyatt Lisle
The June Meeting will be held during morning meeting at the PLEA conference		
July	No Meeting	
August 8	11 am	Grand Bear Lodge / Utica
September 12	11 am	Grand Bear Lodge / Utica
October 10	11 am	Grand Bear Lodge / Utica
November 14	11 am	Grand Bear Lodge / Utica
December 12	11 am	Grand Bear Lodge / Utica

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