



**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
ILLINOIS STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES  
October 8, 2021 and October 15, 2021  
Zoom Video Conference**

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Illinois State Association of Counties (ISACo) was held on Friday, October 8, 2021, at 10:06 a.m. and then adjourned and re-convened on Friday, October 15, 2021, at which the following were in attendance via Zoom:

Cook, Commissioner Deborah Sims, President  
Kendall, Circuit Clerk Matt Prochaska, Vice President  
Washington, Secretary David Meyer  
Winnebago, Treasurer William Crowley  
Cook, Commissioner Alma Anaya  
Cook, Commissioner Stanley Moore  
Cook, Commissioner Peter Silvestri  
Lake, Chairwoman Sandy Hart  
Will, Board Member Denise Winfrey

**ISACo STAFF**

Joe McCoy, Executive Director

**GUESTS**

Jim Healy, Lifetime ISACo Member  
Pat Harris, PMA Asset Management  
Erik Stoltz, PMA Asset Management  
Dennis Deer, Cook County Commissioner  
Greg Hart, DuPage County Board Member  
Jason Blumenthal, DuPage County Staff

**GUEST SPEAKERS**

Pat Harris and Erik Stoltz with PMA Asset Management provided a presentation about the company and how ISACo could partner with them to promote and provide public fund investment services for counties.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Board Member Silvestri and seconded by Board Member Winfrey to approve the minutes from the June 17, 2021, meeting. The motion was approved and the minutes were adopted.

## **OFFICER'S REPORTS**

### *President's Report*

President Sims announced her decision not to seek re-election in 2022 and to retire from her service as a Cook County Commissioner at the end of her term. Board members congratulated her on her service to Cook County.

### *Vice President's Report*

Vice President Prochaska indicated that he continues to use his leadership positions with both the National Association of Counties (NACo) and ISACo to conduct outreach and grow the membership in each organization.

### *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. He also recommended that ISACo begin investing a portion of its funds. Director McCoy reported that he had obtained a model investment policy that might be an option for consideration.

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Director McCoy reported that ISACo has 30 member counties, which is almost triple the membership level at the beginning of 2019. ISACo continues to talk with counties about joining the association.

He reported that ISACo now has eight corporate partners. Without objection from the Board, ISACo will enter into an alternative corporate partnership with the law firm of Mahoney, Silverman and Cross to provide webinar opportunities for ISACo member counties. No objections were recorded.

## **LEGISLATIVE REPORT**

Director McCoy conveyed that Governor Pritzker signed the clean energy bill into law on September 15. (P.A. 102-0662). ISACo didn't take a position on the bill.

On September 9, 2021, President Biden announced an emergency rule imposing a vaccine mandate directing employers with 100 or more employees to require that each employee be fully vaccinated or submit to weekly testing. Illinois counties would be impacted by this rule as an OSHA "State Plan" state and ISACo is awaiting publication of the rule for a careful review to confirm how it will affect counties.

Director McCoy reported that the 2022 Spring Legislative Session may have an early adjournment date so legislators can focus on their campaigns ahead of the June primary. Under that scenario it's unlikely the General Assembly will tackle significant legislation in the spring.

Vice President Prochaska has already chaired two meetings of ISACo's Legislative Committee to talk about what bills should be included in the 2022 legislative agenda. Director McCoy requested that the Board make him aware of any proposal ideas that should be considered for the 2022 agenda.

The Fall Veto Session is scheduled for October 19-21 and 26-28 and may be scaled back to less than the six scheduled days.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Director McCoy provided an overview of a proposal to amend ISACo's By-Laws to create two additional seats on the Board of Directors that would allow for the appointment of either two officials from outside of Cook and the Collar Counties OR one of the two officials from any county in the state if that county official serves in a countywide position that isn't the position of county board chair. The proposed changes include increasing the vote necessary for approval of an issue before board from 7 affirmative votes to 8 affirmative votes. There are some technical clean-up changes. These changes have been endorsed by the Executive Committee. He also discussed the process by which the question would be presented to ISACo member counties.

After discussion, a motion was made by Board Member Winfrey and seconded by Board Member Silvestri to approve the proposed changes to the By-Laws and to direct staff to submit the proposed changes to the membership for consideration and approval. The motion was approved.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Illinois State Association of Counties, a motion was made by Secretary Meyer and seconded by Board Member Hart to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved, and the meeting was adjourned at 10:22 am on Friday, October 15, 2021.