



**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
ILLINOIS STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES
March 22, 2024
Zoom**

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Illinois State Association of Counties (ISACO) was held on Friday, March 22, 2024, at 2:07 p.m. at which the following were in attendance via Zoom:

Kendall, Circuit Clerk Matt Prochaska, President
Cook, Commissioner Dennis Deer, Vice President
Washington, Chairman David Meyer, Secretary
Winnebago, Auditor William Crowley, Treasurer
Ogle, Chairman John Finfrock
Cook, Commissioner Monica Gordon
Jackson, Board Member Andrew Erbes
Kane, Chairwoman Corinne Pierog

ISACO STAFF

Joe McCoy, Executive Director
Nekya Hall, Legislative Advocacy and Research Manager
Tiffani Homer, Member Services and Communications Manager

GUESTS

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Secretary Meyer and seconded by Vice President Deer to approve the minutes from the December 14, 2024, meeting. The motion was approved and the minutes were adopted.

OFFICER'S REPORTS

President's Report

President Prochaska discussed the joint ISACo/UCCI dinner held at the National Press Club during the National Association of Counties (NACo) Legislative Conference in February. He also discussed the upcoming NACo/UCCI Lobby Day (April 13). Finally, he reported that registration is open for NACo's 2024 Annual Conference (July 12-15) in Hillsborough County, Florida (Tampa Bay).

Vice President's Report

No report.

Secretary's Report

Secretary Meyer conveyed that he was unable to attend the NACo Legislative Conference for health reasons. He also shared that Washington County had disapproved a solar farm project.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Crowley discussed the most recent balance statement, profit and loss report and check detail. He reported that ISACo's financial situation remains strong. A motion was made by Secretary Meyer and seconded by Board Member Erbes to approve the check detail. The motion was approved. Treasurer Crowley discussed ISACo's transition from QuickBooks Online to hosting QuickBooks on ISACo's office server and allowing remote access for himself and ISACo's accounting firm.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director McCoy requested that Member Services and Communications Manager Tiffani Homer provide an update on County Lobby Day. He then asked Legislative Advocacy and Research Manager Nekya Hall to provide an update on the status of ISACo's Policy Committees and Wind and Solar Facilities Task Force. Finally, Tiffani Homer discussed ISACo's *Counties Count! Podcast*.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

President Prochaska asked Nekya Hall to provide an update on legislative activities. She discussed the remaining session schedule and provided an update on ISACo's legislative agenda. Executive Director Joe McCoy provided an update on the Governor's proposal to eliminate the sales tax on groceries and ISACo's response to the proposal. He also provided an update on ISACo's participation within a coalition working to achieve an increase to the county and municipal share of Local Government Distributive Fund (LGDF) revenue.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Member Services and Communications Manager Tiffani Homer and Director McCoy recommended that the Board of Directors approve a royalty-based corporate partnership with Constellation. A motion was made by Treasurer Crowley and seconded by Vice President Deer. The motion was approved.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors of the Illinois State Association of Counties, a motion was made by Vice President Deer and seconded by Board Member Pierog to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved, and the meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.