

**SOUTHWESTERN ILLINOIS LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

Porter's Steakhouse - Collinsville  
March 8, 2023 – Wednesday – 8:00a.m.

**Minutes**

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 a.m. by President Richard Watson.

Members of the Board of Directors present:

Jeff Connor	Jerry Dinges	Tyrone Echols	Stephen Evans
Caso Faro	Patty Gregory	Kevin Hemann	Marc Hoffmann
Steve Johnson	Ryan Kneedler	Mike Kuhl	David Meyer
Neal Rohlfig	Ross Schultze	Kenneth Sharkey	Tom Stalcup
Richard Watson	Don Weber		

Members of the Board of Directors absent:

Roger Barfield	Brian Fletcher	Marc Kiehna	Vicki Koerber
James Lansing	James Leitschuh	Dora Mann	Jarrold Peters
Dan Travous	Jeremy Walker	Jerald Wilson	

Staff Present:

Scott Williams	Kevin Schmoll	Sharon Bockewitz	Misty Stahl
Van Muschler			

Guests: None

The Pledge Allegiance was given with no Invocation.

Yes – there was a quorum present.

**Item No. 6 on the Adenda – Approval of Minutes - Sept. 14, 2022**

Director Watson stated that the minutes from the September 14, 2022 SILEC Board meeting were e-mailed out on December 16, 2022.

Motion was made by Director Rohlfig and seconded by Director Hoffmann that the minutes of September 14, 2022 be approved. Motion was carried with no dissenting votes.

**Item No. 7 on the Agenda – Correspondence**

Director Williams stated the following correspondence is in your packet.

- A. FY'24 – Proposed Budget Overview
- B. New Auditor Contract: C.J. Schlosser & Company, LLC
- C. Ltr. to SIPCA President Rich Wittenauer re: SIPCA Member appt.to board
- D. Invite Ltr. to join SILEC Brd. –
  - Sheriff Ross Schultze, Washington Co. SD
  - Sheriff Jeff Connor, Madison Co. SD
  - Sheriff Jarrod Peters, Randolph Co. SD
  - Chief Steve Johnson, Fairview Heights PD
- E. SILEC/SIPCA Awards Banquet Expenditures
- F. Ltr. from Randolph Co. appointing Sheriff Peters to SILEC Brd.
- G. Congrats Ltr. to Mike Kuhl, Clinton Co. Board (Replacing Jim Sullivan)

**a. FY'24 – Proposed Budget Overview**

Director Williams stated that SILEC is asking for an additional \$53 thousand dollars. This money will be airmarked in bring back (2) part-time positions. Director Williams stated that we have funds in the Secretary of State Grant for the positions.

Motion was made by Director Evans and seconded by Director Meyer to approve the proposed ASSIST Budget FY'2024. Motion carried with no dissenting votes.

**b. New Auditor Contract: C.J. Schlosser & Company, LLC**

Director Williams stated that our current auditor Frank Hollis is retiring. We have contacted an auditing firm by the name of C.J. Schlosser & Company, LLC. Their main office is in Alton, IL. and they have an additional location in Belleville, IL. Director Williams is asking for approval in moving forward with a contract with C.J. Schlosser & Company, LLC., to become our full-time auditor.

Motion was made by Director Hoffmann and seconded by Director Rohlfing to approve new auditor contract for C.J. Schlosser & Company, LLC. Motion carried with no dissenting votes.

**Item No. 8 on the Agenda – Expenditures (Sept./Oct./Nov./Dec./Jan./Feb.)**

Director Williams stated that the Admin. & Trng. Expenditures for Sept./Oct./Nov./Dec. 2022/Jan. were e-mailed out. Feb. 2023 is in your packet.

Motion was made by Director Rohlfing and seconded by Director Connor to approve the expenditures for Admin. & Trng. Sept./Oct./Nov./Dec. 2022/Jan./Feb. 2023. Motion was carried with no dissenting votes.

**Item No. 9 on the Agenda – Executive Committee Report**

**A.) SILEC-FY'22 Audit by Frank Hollis**

Director Williams stated that the FY'22 audit has been completed with no finding to announce.

Motion was made by Director Evans and seconded by Director Rohlfing to approve the FY'22 Audit. Motion carried with no dissenting votes.

**B.) New Auditor Contract: C.J. Schlosser & Company, LLC**

Director Williams stated that current auditor letter in your packet Frank Hollis is retiring, and we have a signed contract with C.J. Schlosser & Company, LLC. Director Williams adds that C.J. Schlosser & Company is a very reputable company with two locations. Main office in Alton, IL. and in Belleville, IL.

Motion was made by Director Rohlfing and seconded by Director Hoffmann to approve new auditor contract for C.J. Schlosser & Company, LLC. Motion carried with no dissenting votes.

**C.) Proposed ASSIST Budget – FY'24**

Director Williams stated that the FY'24 Assist Budget information is in your packet and that SILEC is asking for an additional \$53 thousand dollars. Director Williams stated that this money will be airmarked in bring back Ret./Director David Hayes for a part-time position as a Certified Consultant and Ret./Exe. Secretary Sharon Bockewitz as a Training Specialist. Director Williams stated that we have sufficient funds in our current budget for the positions.

Motion was made by Director Evans and seconded by Director Meyer to approve the proposed ASSIST Budget FY'2024. Motion carried with no dissenting votes.

**Item No. 10 on the Agenda – Staff Activity Report**

Director Williams went over the following staff activity:

- a. ILETSB created a template for all lesson plans.
- b. FY'24 Grant Applications are due my March 25, 2023 and SILEC is 98% done with the Grant.
- c. \$33 million available for the Camera Grants to be released for 2023. This is a (2) part step with the second step being released in June. Information is on ILETSB website.
- d. New Officer portal is now up and running. Go to ILETSB website
- e. Eric Van Hook (Ret./Chief O'Fallon) was hired as a part-time Field Monitor for SILEC, effective Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>. In Dec. he accepted a full-time position as Dir. of Public Safety for O'Fallon High School.
- f. Van Muschler (Ret./Dir. SWIC Police Academy) was hired as part-time Field Monitor for SILEC, effective Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Item No. 11 on the Agenda – Unfinished Business**

Asst. Director Schmoll shared the following information to the SILEC Board.

- a. Executive Committee Nominations to Replace Madison and Randolph Officers for 2021-2023
- b. January 19, 2023 - Awards Banquet Update
- c. We had 325 (193 last yr.) in attendance, 54 (43 last yr.) awardee's
  - Total Cost - \$15,267.13
  - SILEC Paid - \$7,593.57
  - SIPCA Paid - \$7,673.56 \*(1) SIPCA Plaque
- d. Criminal Justice Summit – March 1st & 2nd in Effingham at Thomas Keller Convention Center. We had 310 attendees
  - Dr. Paul Taylor – “Leadership Perspective On Use of Force”
  - Human Trafficking by Truckers Against Trafficking
  - Jim Glennon – “Acute Stress in Human Performance”
- e. SILEC hosted 58 courses, trained 3,400 Officers, 681 Hours of training from November 15, 2022 through March 8, 2023. As compared to 56 courses, trained 4,389 Officers, 410 Hours of training this time last year.

**Item No. 12 on the Agenda – New Business**

Director Williams stated that long time employee Sharon Bockewitz had set her retirement date for the end of March 2023. However, she has extended her retirement date to June 30, 2023.

SILEC have also hired a new SILEC employee by the name of Amy Eggemeyer. Amy's position as Executive Sec./Accounting will starting as a part-time employee on April 17, 2023 and then becoming a full-time on May 17, 2023.

Director Don Weber asked the SILEC Board to consider a resolution be passed for both the AR 15 Law and the Firearm ID Law. To be discussed at the next SILEC Board meeting.

Motion was made by Don Weber and seconded by Ryan Kneidler. Motion was not voted on and the Executive Committee took it under advisement.

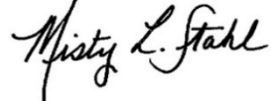
**Item No. 13 on the Agenda – Good of the Order**

Director Connor suggested an award or plaque be given to Auditor Frank Hollis for his 31 years of service to SILEC.

**Item No. 14 on the Agenda – Adjournment**

Motion was made by Director Hemann and seconded by Director Echols to adjourn. Having completed all items on the agenda the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



By: Misty Stahl  
Recording Secretary



**MARK YOUR CALENDER**  
**\*\*\*\* Next Meeting\*\*\*\***  
**Wednesday, May 17, 2023**  
**@ 8:00am**  
**Porters Steakhouse – Collinsville, IL**  
**REMEMBER TO RSVP TO: [misty@silec.org](mailto:misty@silec.org)**