

SOUTHWESTERN ILLINOIS LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Porter's Restaurant - Collinsville
September 11, 2024– Wednesday – 8:15 a.m.

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 a.m. by President Sheriff Richard Watson.

Members of the Board of Directors present:

Roger Barfield	Casey Faro	Chris Timmermann	Neal Rohlring
Kenneth Sharkey	Kevin Hemann	Steve Johnson	David Meyer
Steve Evans	Richard Watson	James Lansing	

Members of the Board of Directors absent:

James Leitschuh	Jeremy Walker	Jarrold Peters	Patty Gregory	Carole Widman
Marc Hoffmann	Dora Mann	Tom Stalcup	Don Weber	
Ross Schultze	Dan Travous	Jerald Wilson	Marc Kiehna	
Tyrone Echols	Jerry Dinges	Vicki Koerber	Ryan Kneedler	
Jeff Connor	Brian Fletcher	Matthew King	Mike Kuhl	

Staff Present: Kevin Schmoll Amy Eggemeyer Misty Stahl Sherry Pomatto .

Staff absent: Scott Williams Van Muschler

Guests: None

The Pledge Allegiance was recited, and Chief Steve Evans gave the invocation.

A quorum was declared

Item No. 6 on the Agenda – Approval of Minutes – May 15, 2024

Asst. Director Kevin Schmoll stated that the minutes were e-mailed out September 4, 2024, with the board packet.

Motion was made by Sheriff Neal Rohlring and seconded by Chief Steve Evans to approve the minutes of May 15, 2024. Motion was carried with no dissenting votes.

Item No. 7 on the Agenda – Correspondence

Asst. Dir. Schmoll stated all correspondence were emailed to the board in their packet.

- a. Audit – FY'24 Audit
- b. FY'25 - Proposed Budget Overview

Item No. 8 on the Agenda – Expenditures – May/June-Final (FY'24) & July/August (FY'25)

Asst. Director Schmoll stated that the Expenditures were emailed out for everybody to review and asked if anyone had any questions. No questions were asked.

Motion was made by Sheriff Rohlring and seconded by Major Kevin Herman to approve the expenditures for May/June (FY'24) and July/August (FY'25). Motion carried with no dissenting votes.

Item No. 9 on the Agenda – Executive Committee Report

a. Auditor Kevin Tepen with C.J. Schlosser and Company, LLD-FY'24

Asst. Dir. Schmoll stated that the auditing firm C.J. Schlosser and Company, LLC was at the SILEC office in late August. We do not have the final report back yet, but the firm did state that there were no findings in the audit. Once we have the report, we will email it out to the committee.

b. Annual SILEC/SIPCA Awards Banquet

Asst. Dir. Schmoll stated that the Annual SILEC/SIPCA Awards Banquet will be held on January 23, 2025, at the Four Points Sheraton in Fairview Heights. Asst. Dir. Schmoll encouraged the board to get your nomination in.

c. Personnel Matters

Asst. Dir. Schmoll announced that SILEC hired Sherry Pomatto as a P/T Training Specialist to assist SILEC staff with their duties. Sherry Pomatto's start date was June 10, 2024.

Item No. 10 on the Agenda – Staff Activity

- a. Asst. Dir. Schmoll stated that he and Dir. Scott Williams will be attending the ILETSB Board meeting on September 25 & 26, 2024 in Springfield, IL.
- b. Annual East/West Executive Development Training is October 16 & 17, 2024 at Pere Marquette, Grafton, IL. There are no more rooms available. The following speakers have been scheduled:
 - i. Maj. Ed O'Carroll (Ret.) Fairfax Co. VA Police Dept. and Jessica Koong, QIAGEN Corp. – "Forensic Investigative Genetic Genealogy: A Huge Leap of Crime Fighting"
 - ii. Det. Jeff German, Joliet Police Department - "Hi-Tech Investigations: Cell Phone and iOS/Google Records Date Collection"
- c. The 25th Annual Criminal Justice Summit will be held on February 26 & 27, 2025 in Effingham, IL. at the Keller Convention Center. The following speakers have been scheduled:
 - i. John Iannarelli - "Cybersecurity for Law Enforcement and Terrorism"
 - ii. John Iannarelli and Kristy Siefkin – "Media Relations"
 - iii. Silouan Green – "Mental Health, Peer Support and Suicide Prevention for Law Enforcement"
- d. The Annual SILEC/SIPCA Awards Banquet will be held on January 23, 2025, at the Four Points Sheraton in Fairview Heights. The call for nominations packets were emailed out on July 31, 2024.
- e. Asst. Dir. Schmoll reported for Field Monitor Van Muschler that the P/T Academy Session 34 graduated on July 13, 2024, with 14 graduates. The P/T Academy Session 35 started on August 24, 2024, with 20 individuals. They will graduate next July.
- f. Asst. Director Schmoll added as a side note that SILEC is at 160 some odd class already this year.

Item No. 11 on the Agenda – Unfinished Business

None

Item No. 12. On the Agenda – New Business

a. SILEC Employee Pay Increases

Asst. Dir. Schmoll stated that the Illinois Law Enforcement Training & Standards Board has approved a lump sum increase for SILEC employees for FY'24. The funds were distributed so that the lowest paid employees received a higher percentage increase. If approved, raises will be retroactive to July 1, 2024.

Motion was made by Sheriff Rohlfling and seconded by Chairman David Meyer to approve the SILEC employee pay increases for FY'24. Motion carried with no dissenting votes.

b. Alton Police Department Firearms Range Project

Asst. Dir. Schmoll asked P/T Certification Specialist David Hayes to brief the committee on the Alton Police Department. Firearms Range Project.

P/T Cert. Specialist Hayes stated that Alton P.D. are in the process of building a new Firearms Training Facility on property they already own. Alton P.D. has already received \$250,000.00 in grant funding for the project. The Alton P.D. approached SILEC nine months ago requesting an additional \$25,000.00 for the project.

This was first put forth to the Assist #14 Advisory Board for approval. Chief Kirk Brueggeman suggested that we take this to the Executive Committee and the SILEC Board for consideration. Dir. Williams wants this to be a reimbursement as opposed to an outright grant. If approved, SILEC will pay as a bill.

SILEC will be allowed to access the Firearms Training Facility for certified regional training purposes. P/T Cert. Specialist Hayes stated that SILEC has the funds available through the existing Secretary of State Grant and would not come out of the SILEC general budget.

Sheriff Watson encouraged the board to approve due to lack of ranges in the area.

Motion was made by Chief Evans and seconded by Commander Casey Faro to approve funding for the Alton P.D. Firearms Range Project. Motion carried with no dissenting votes.

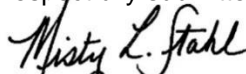
Item No. 13 on the Agenda – Good of the Order

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Item No. 14 on the Agenda – Adjournment

Motion was made by Sheriff Rohlfing and seconded by Sheriff Watson to adjourn. Having completed all items on the agenda the meeting was adjourned at 8:29 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



By: Misty Stahl
Recording Secretary



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****** Next Meeting******

SILEC-Assist-SIPCA

Wednesday, November 20, 2024

11:30am

Bella Milano Restaurant, O'Fallon, IL

REMINDER TO RSVP TO:
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