



**Chapter Meeting Minutes – Thursday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018  
Peoria Public Library, Peoria, Illinois**

**OFFICERS PRESENT:**

<b>Attending</b>	<b>Not Attending</b>
President Brent Reynolds	Treasurer John Mostaccio
1st Vice Ralph Caldwell	Secretary Ed Milam
2nd Vice President Amy Marion	Director Brian Drake
Director Tammy Peterson	Executive Council Representative Mike O'Connor
Director Bud Hicks	Commercial Advisory Pat Hughes
Director Steve Rauter	Past President Jeanine Krull
	Frequency Advisor North Bill Carter
	Frequency Advisor South Chris Kindelspire

At this jointly held meeting Illinois NENA held their meeting first.

President Brent Reynolds opened the meeting at 1100 hours.

Review and approval of the Chapter Meeting minutes from February 8th, 2018. **Motion by Bud Hicks to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sandy Bietel. Motion passed by voice vote.**

**President Brent Reynolds** – The last couple of joint membership meeting have been short and the executive board realize that it is a lot of driving for these meetings. Brent has discussed the issue with NENA President Vicki DeFord; moving forward they would like to provide more value at future meetings. These meetings will include a lunch and a topic for discussion.

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Ralph Caldwell** – No report

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Amy Marion** – No report

**Executive Council Representative Michael O'Connor** – Brent advised that Mike O.'Connor has been dealing with a medical issue; he is recovering but not able to make the meeting; he has returned to work partial days. Brent

**Treasurer John Mostaccio** – Report of as May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018

ASSETS - Current Assets

Checking/Savings

Chase Checking 2,352.24

Chase Savings 79,375.51

Gregg Riddle Scholarship Fund 6,265.58

Scholarship Fund 11,803.72

Total Checking/Savings 99,797.05

Other Current Assets

Northside Community Bank CD #1 7,759.20

Northside Community Bank CD #2	7,205.56
Total Other Current Assets	14,964.76
Total Current Assets	114,761.81
Fixed Assets	
300 Equipment	4,293.36
310 Accumulated Depreciation	-2,478.72
Total Fixed Assets	1,814.64
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>116,576.45</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
Equity	
Opening Bal Equity	121,403.86
Retained Earnings	-31,428.78
Net Income	26,601.37
Total Equity	116,576.45
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>116,576.45</b>

**Chapter Secretary Ed Milam** – Brent Reynolds provided the membership report from Ed Milam. The current numbers are:

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Associate	70
Commercial	25
Full Members	307
Group Commercial	6
Group Full	219
Group On-line	559
<b>Total</b>	<b>1186</b>

102 of these members are NEW members according to APCO International

In addition Brent provided an update on the APCO Historical Collection at Bradley University. Historical Collection Committee have been working very hard to let International know the value of the collection and working to make sure that the cost for the collection is not being covered fully by the State chapter. Brent recently had the opportunity to visit the Collection; he was very impressed with the professionalism as well as the collection. He encouraged members to make an effort to go visit and see the collection if possible. Ralph asked if the group was aware of the current financial set up and the lack of funding from International APCO. Brent explained the efforts of our chapter to provide international information, numbers, and spreadsheets to show them what is being done with the collection. This issue may be brought back to the general membership for a decision regarding funding if international will not continue to support the effort.

**Board Member Steve Rauter** –

- First Net - He advised that Bill Springer was the First Net architect for Illinois going into the Opt IN Opt out decision; Bill has been retained for First Net efforts. There

are efforts to put together a working group for decisions on how to move forward. They would like to know what type of apps would like to be seen and in there are any Illinois specific that should be developed. Joe Galvin is the Single point of contact (SPOC) for First Net; he is also the statewide interoperability coordinator. There is no mandate for agencies to use First Net. The State's position is for each agency to do whatever is best for their agency.

- StarCom21 – Steve advised that there is a lot going on in the background with StarCom. Steve is pushing for a strategic plan and he believes there is a need to modify the CMS StarCom contract as it comes up for bid. He advised that there needs to be a better notification process if there is a change in the code plugs or changes in ITTF radios. There has been some discussion that any new radio that is put on the system will have to be TDMA capable.
- The 8TAC channels on the Sears tower will be going away. The mutual aid repeater group is setting up maps that that users can know where mutual aid channels are available geographically and the group is working on some policies.
- Steve stated that the Tactical Interoperable Communications Plans (TICPs) are likely out dated, but each county should have one and theses need to be worked on to be updated on a continual basis.
- The commission has asked for feedback on the 4.9 GHz public safety spectrum. Currently 4.9 licensing gives a regional license; there is an effort to re-coordinate all point to point microwaves which would require additional licensing. Steve will send a link to Brent to have the link out on the website for feedback to be provided.
- T-BAND keeps popping up; there is some federal legislation drafted to take t-band away; Steve does not know where this is at. They have wanted to kick off all public safety from the T-band, but commercial users would not be touched. It would require passage of federal legislation to undue the previous T-Band legislation.
- On May 15<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> there will be an Incident Communications Center Manager (INCM) training in Bloomington; information can be found on the IEMA website.
- There are some technician classes coming up in June and July.
- Steve advised that there has been an issue with calls dumped to 10 digit lines from calls on the Tollway; he advised that Will County has changed their policy and there are no State transfer calls. They now transfer and stay on the call as a conference call until the conclusion of the call. He has had dialoge with District 15 and District 5 on this issue. State districts have no 9-1-1 capabilities; they are phase 0 with wireless transfers.

#### **Board Member Bud Hicks –**

- Bud advised that the Standards Development Committee is seeking committee members. There are a lot of APCO standards not yet there; he encouraged attendees to get involved in a working group. There has been minimal response to requests for working group volunteers and they are having trouble filling spots.
- Bud advised that APCO is working on doing an occupational analysis of technicians and GIS personnel. They would like to bring a working group in, get information from them, and then build standards from that working group. This has been pushed out to the middle of July now.

**Board Member Brian Drake** – Brent reporting for Brian advised that there was an AT&T issue at NWCDC. They had a challenge with transferring to their backup center. He asked Cindy if she had any information or update on this incident. Cindy was aware of it, but has no information available yet as to what occurred. Cindy did advise that NWCDC is unique in that they have three (3) transfer boxes; she believes it to be an AT&T resolution center issue.

**Board Member Tammy Peterson** – Tammy provided an IPSTA Conference update. The conference dates this year are November 4<sup>th</sup> -7<sup>th</sup>. There will be one Sunday Class offering; it will be Adam Timm, The Healthy Dispatcher. Registration will open online July 16<sup>th</sup>. There are vendor opportunities available, but booth space is filling up quickly; Sponsorship opportunities are also available. The theme this year will be 50 years of 9-1-1. The banquet night will be formal event, but those that do not want to dress up don't have to. June 1<sup>st</sup> the Gregg Riddle Scholarship application should be posted on the website.

**Past President Jeanine Krull** – No report

**Frequency Advisor Bill Carter** – No report

**Frequency Advisor Chris Kindelspire** – No report

**International** – No report. Jason Kern is in the DC area for APCO's Annual 9-1-1 Awards Dinner.

**Commercial Advisory Pat Hughes** – Brent advised that we are seeing some great results from some of the initiatives of our commercial advisor, Pat Hughes.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Public Safety and Awareness** - Brent advised that Director Drake and Wendy Mann are co-chairs of this committee. We are working on improving communications with the chapter boards. There was a call put out for committee members; there were ten (10) vacancies and ten (10) letters of interest were received. There is currently a PSA by a high school being worked on for the committee. NENA and APCO will review the PSA before it is published. The PSA committee has requested another 9-1-1 Run to be held at IPSTA. They will be working with the IPSTA committee on a time to hold the run. Headset Heroes was a program that was done on social media; it has increased social media interaction and involvement. The Board will also need to discuss future website costs; Civic Plus will be modifying their platform. Ed is working on a proposal to bring back to both boards.

**EMD Committee** – No report.

### **Old Business**

Leadership Symposium – Diana Stiles stated that the Symposium was very good and one of the best events offered recently. Sandy Bietel and Shelly Dallas also attended. Brent advised that the networking opportunities were great as well as sharing among peers. The same opportunity is going to be offered in Effingham on May 22<sup>nd</sup>. Ralph expressed

concern about the first event being two days and the Effingham event being one day. Bud explained how the symposium was handled and the first event evolved in to two days because of the large number of attendees that expressed interest. At this time there are about 20 attendees registered for Effingham. The first Symposium hosted about 110 people on Day 1 and 70-80 people on Day 2. Bud provided his perspective and feedback on the first event. He has worked with Jodi Moomaw to get the event in Effingham together; there has been less interest and Bud believes this is due to less centers and less people. He advised that he may work on two (2) days next year. Brent explained that three facilitators kept the discussion moving; those were John Mostaccio, Brent Reynolds, and Bud Hicks. Bud added that he would like to see a 3<sup>rd</sup> day added in the future for the TC group; primarily leaders identified within the TCs. Ralph and Steve both expressed that they have heard positive feedback from all who were involved. Bud added that sponsorships covered breakfast, snack, lunch, and giveaways for the event.

### **Legislative –**

- The Boards have entered into a two year contract with John Lowder through March of 2020 for services.
- David provided a summary of the current legislation that Mr. Lowder has reported on. HB4191 provides immunity to callers who break a window of a vehicle to rescue a cat or dog. There is language that requires them to attempt to contact 9-1-1 or public safety prior to breaking a window. This has passed the House and is in a Senate committee. The organizations are neutral on this bill.
- Public Act 110-585 was passed and signed into law by the Governor. This is the Small Wireless Facilities bill and it allows small devices to be put on government properties for the build out of the 4G and 5G networks. There was language added to protect public safety equipment.
- There is SB2727 that is specific to Adams and Quincy Counties. They were previously a qualified governmental entity, but due to the law had to become a Joint ETSB. This bill would allow them to have three county board members on the Joint ETSB, which is the same number that was previously on the qualified governmental entity. This should not affect any other ETSB. The organizations are remaining neutral on this bill.
- Ralph reported that the April State Advisory Board meeting was cancelled; the next meeting is scheduled for May 21<sup>st</sup>.
- Karl Pound has sent out a chart to ETSBs explaining the \$0.08 and \$0.04 added to the surcharge; the \$0.08 is make up for the lag in payments. David and Ralph are trying to set up a meeting with Colonel Kelly Walters, Cindy, and Karl to get an understanding of the surcharge, so that the members can be able to explain it to their boards. Ralph also advised a sub-committee will be formed to work on simplifying the formula.
- Ralph reported that St. Clair County has sent a letter to the State expressing their objection to the Madison County consolidation plan. Cindy advised that an ALJ hearing is scheduled for May 30<sup>th</sup>. The ALJ will provide a recommendation; then that recommendation will go to the SAB. This will likely be on the June or July meeting agenda; then after that Cindy will make her determination.
- No new SAB appointments have been made.

- The 9-1-1 fund balance is about \$32.9 million; the grant money is still in the fund. Communication has been made with the ISP asking them to distribute some of the funds before potential sweeps by June 30<sup>th</sup>. Lowder is watching for sweep fund bills.
- Steve Rauter advised that his agency is dealing with a FOIA issue regarding a 9-1-1 recording. The recording has been given to the major crimes task force for evidence. He has advised that it is part of an ongoing investigation. The Attorney General's Office is pressuring Will County to release the recordings; he is fighting with the PAC on this issues. He asked if there was anything that we can do as an organization to protect our 9-1-1 cases/calls during an active investigation. David advised he would put it on the agenda for the next legislative call.
- There was additional discussion about the surcharge break down. Currently \$0.08 is to make up for the lag of payments; \$0.05 is for NG 9-1-1 grants; both of these amounts are for 2 ½ years; after that time frame the \$0.13 is to be used for the NG 9-1-1 network. Ralph advised that if more funds are needed to fund the NG 9-1-1 Network that we need to go back for additional funds rather than it coming from the funds the systems depend on for operations.

## **New Business**

**Volunteers for Committees** – Brent advised another call for committee participation would be coming and to watch for that.

**Fall Training** – This is the 10 year anniversary of the fall training. A class will be hosted on Friday, September 28<sup>th</sup>; a new trainer will be coming in, Showalter & Co.; Expect the Unexpected. The cost is \$30 for an APCO member or \$80 for a non-member.

**Statewide Terrorism and Intelligence Center (STIC)** – if your centers are not registered with STIC, Brent recommends registering. They are a valuable resource. He provided numbers to reach our local representative.

**Membee** – Amy and Tammy will be working on the Membee program.

**Illinois State Fair** – Allan Davis advised the dates are August 10<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers are needed.

**Motion by Ralph Caldwell to adjourn the meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve Rauter. Motion carried by voice vote.**

Meeting adjourned at 1240 hours.

**Minutes recorded by Amy Marion**

Respectfully submitted

*Ed Milam*

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Chapter Secretary

Illinois Chapter of APCO International