

ILLINOIS TERRORISM TASK FORCE
Minutes of Council of Chairs Meeting
June 28, 2017
ATTENDEES

Committee Chairs

Heaton, Rodger – Illinois Terrorism Task Force- Chair

Emergency Management

Tate-Nadeau, Alica – Chicago OEMC
Ricker, Jennifer – IL Emergency Management Agency

Fire Mutual Aid

Mortenson, Royal – IL Fire Service Institute
Reardon, Jay – Mutual Aid Box Alarm System

Law Enforcement Mutual Aid

Page, Jim – IL Law Enforcement Alarm System
Peterson, Chad – IL State Police

Transportation & Critical Infrastructure

Korty, Tom – IL Dept. of Transportation
Juskelis, Vydas – Am. Public Works Association

Public Health

Rawls, Winfred – IL Dept. of Public Health
Fox, Amy – IL Association of Public Health Administrators

Staff/Members

Armstead, Alix – OSFM
Clark, Deb – ILEAS
Desai, Lisa – IEMA
Evans, Larry – ILEAS
Johnson, Jenifer – IEMA
Morgan, Gwen – ISP

Illinois Terrorism Task Force (ITTF) Council of Chairs Meeting – June 28, 2017 - 10:00 a.m. held at the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, 2200 South Dirksen Parkway, Springfield, IL 62703

Call to Order

Rodger Heaton, Director of Public Safety and Homeland Security Advisor, welcomed everyone attending the meeting.

Motions

Director Heaton called the following motion:

- *Motion to adopt the minutes from the May 24, 2017, Council of Chairs meeting.*

*Motion to adopt: Win Rawls, Illinois Department of Public Health
Seconded: Alicia Tate-Nadeau, City of Chicago OEMC
Motion Carried*

National/State Homeland Security Update

Aaron Kustermann, Statewide Terrorism and Intelligence Center (STIC) Illinois State Police (ISP), provided an update on national intelligence trends.

Discussion followed.

Administrative Update

Chief Jenifer Johnson, IEMA, provided a briefing on the FFY 2017 Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) that was released on June 2, 2017. The grant application was submitted on June 22, 2017. She also provided a briefing on the FFY 2017 Project Application Process.

Director Heaton provided a briefing on the summer homeland security advisors council meeting he recently attended in Washington, D.C.

Committee Reports

Fire Mutual Aid Committee – Royal Mortenson, IFSI, chair, and Jay Reardon, MABAS, vice chair

The committee met on June 21, 2017, at IFSI in Champaign, Illinois.

The chair and vice chair provided a review of the May 24, 2017, ITTF chairs meeting.

The committee reviewed the following:

- Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) heat chart
- IEMA THIRA/SPR analysis
- IEMA FY17 Core Capability Prioritization Survey results.

The committee discussed the following “Red” Core Capabilities from the THIRA Heat Map:

- Long-term vulnerability reduction
- Economic recovery
- Health and social services
- Housing

The committee was asked to discuss and make recommendations on how the ITTF might address the THIRA “Red” core capability areas.

NOTE: The committee noted that they were not provided details as to the underlying methodology and logic behind the gaps identified in the THIRA and that information regarding data collection, lack of data/input, weighting, causal effects that enabled positive change in “red” THIRA areas from 2015 to 2016, etc., would have been helpful in their discussion/recommendation process.

Following are the committee’s recommendations:

- a. Core capability “long-term vulnerability reduction”
 - i. ITTF Emergency Management (EM) Committee LEAD.
 - ii. The EM committee should look at/recommend low-cost ways to mitigate Illinois risk in this area by developing actions that target
 1. Changing public attitudes
 2. Establishing plans and agreements between local, state and public/private entities
 3. Community education
 4. Media plans and pre-incident media engagement
 5. Personal/citizenry preparedness.
- b. Core capability “health and social services”
 - i. The ITTF Emergency Management Committee and the ITTF Public Health Committee should form and co-chair a special working group (WG) to develop recommendations for no-cost/low-cost ways to mitigate/address Illinois’ risk in this area.
 - ii. The WG should include members from social services, medical/public health, NGOs, volunteer organizations, etc.
- c. Core capabilities “economic recovery” and “housing”
 - i. Both of these areas are difficult if not impossible for states to address without significant resources (money) - the kind of resources only available to states through the “Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act” (post disaster). Large scale housing solutions for displaced persons and funding for small business rebuild and recovery are best targeted by Stafford Act resources due to the low frequency-high impact nature of the subject event.
 - ii. ITTF should form a WG to look at low-cost/no-cost recommendations/options (public-private MOUs, economic recovery zone planning, etc.)

The recommendations above are informed by the following realities:

- Illinois has limited federal resources available to address a state-wide preparedness need that encompasses a full spectrum of threats and associated risks (see fire committee May 24, 2017, minutes).
- It is essential that, given the above, we ensure Illinois maintains the capabilities/capacities already built and proven, and we get good “bang for the buck” - thoughtfully expend our resources in areas where we can “move the needle” in ways that really increase readiness.

Informed by the results of the committee’s May 10, 2017, meeting, the committee discussed where the committee may have opportunity to help ITTF/Illinois address THIRA gaps. Two areas were discussed:

- Future proposal ideas/development
- Reduced resource requests in areas where informed risk can be accepted because of past investment success. Historical subrecipients MABAS and IFSI to look at this area.

The committee was reminded that all subrecipient proposals must be consistent with the FY2017 HSGP NOFO guidance, Illinois Homeland Security Strategy, and the THIRA gap analysis.

The committee discussed and agreed that the chair and vice chair would address the following questions at the next ITTF chairs meeting:

- Greater granularity is needed on the methodology and logic behind THIRA/SPR core capability assessments and scoring is needed by the committee.
- What was the criteria/input that enabled THIRA core competency score changes between 2015 and 2016- specifically the upward change in the 4 “red” areas from 2015 to 2016.
- What is the process for a committee to create/identify voting members and non-voting members?

Vice Chair Jay Reardon informed the committee of his retirement.

Next meeting: July 11, 2017. Location: OSFM, Springfield, IL.

Future meeting dates;

- August 8, 2017
- September 13, 2017
- October 19, 2017
- November 8, 2017
- December 5, 2017

Public Health Committee – Win Rawls, IDPH, chair, and Amy Fox, IAPHA, vice chair

The committee did not meet in June.

Following are the committee’s key priorities:

- Cybersecurity
- Crisis Standards of Care Framework and Annex to the IDPH ESF-8 Plan
- CMS Preparedness Rule, Education, Awareness, Planning
- Sustainment of IMERT
- Validate and Update Sites for Field Medical Station (FMS), Alternate Care Sites (ACS, temporary Medical treatment Sites (TMTS)
- EMTrack Planning and Implementation
- Continue Healthcare Coalition (x10) Development

The following hazards were identified:

- Cybersecurity
- Pandemic
- Flooding
- Tornado

Emergency Management Committee – OEMC Director Alicia Tate-Nadeau, chair, and Jennifer Ricker, IEMA, vice chair

The committee met on June 20, 2017, at the American Red Cross, Peoria, Illinois.

Aaron Kustermann, Statewide Terrorism and Intelligence Center (STIC) Illinois State Police (ISP), provided an update on national intelligence trends.

The Motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting carried.

Membership and attendance were discussed. Motion passed at previous meeting to ask organizations to move to an advisory role if they missed more than three consecutive meeting. Attendance standing was emailed to each organization.

Discussion of future meeting locations with video conference capabilities resulted in a new meeting schedule:

July 18, 2017 - IEMA, Springfield
August 15, 2017 - OEMC, Chicago
September 7, 2017 - During IEMA Annual Summit, Springfield
October 17, 2017 - Logan County
November TBD - City of Aurora
December/January 16, 2017 - DuPage County

The results from priority/threats survey that was sent to the committee members (12 out of 22 responding organizations) were discussed.

Priorities:

- Planning
- Training
- Exercise
- Equipment
- Organization

Threats:

- Lone inspired offender
- Cyber
- Coordinated attack
- Communications vulnerabilities
- Lack of realistic exercises
- Other: clear, specific plans for coordinated response from multiple jurisdictions for large regional scale event, constituent buy-in, pandemic

The motion to approve the survey results and recommended results to the full ITTF committee carried.

A sample Attachment A template was emailed to the committee members with an added column for explanation of how suggested project ties back to the SPR gap analysis.

Alicia Tate-Nadeau opened the floor to discuss projects. Projects and plans need to be focused on areas where we are weakest so that we can move the needle forward as a state. The committee agreed that an all-day workshop hosted by IEMA would be extremely beneficial to everyone involved in this process. Format for requested projects should be turned in no later than July 11, 2017, so that they may be sent out for all committee members to read in advance of further discussion at the next meeting.

Additional discussion revolved around the regional catastrophic planning initiative and reinvigorating those efforts. Earl Mashaw, OEMC, will provide the committee with the information he has on all previous regional catastrophic planning.

Alicia Tate-Nadeau spoke to the fact that recommendations to ITTF could be in the form of legislation and POETE. Dan Fulscher, Logan County, offered to share all of the projects and grants that are currently funded. Dan Nelson offered to write up a proposal for a Statewide Web-Based EOC. David Christensen offered to write

up changes to IEMA exercise language and accreditation language that would make it easier for counties to get credit for exercises. Scott Clarke committed to working with Darryl Dragoo to create a concept for a Statewide Mass Care Exercise. Scott Clarke will also write up suggestions/language for legislative changes. Bucky Washam will provide a report on what is transpiring between the locals and the state (planning, rewriting the State EOP, SouthernSky). All old/new initiatives that can be justified by addressing gaps will be considered.

Next meeting-

Emergency Management Committee Meeting

July 18, 2017

11:00 a.m.

Illinois Emergency Management Agency

2200 South Dirksen Parkway

Springfield, IL 62703

Video Conference Options Available

Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Committee (LEMAC) - Jim Page, ILEAS, chair, and First Deputy Chad Peterson, ISP, vice chair

The committee met on Tuesday, June 13, 2017, at 1:00 p.m. at the Illinois State Police (ISP) Central Headquarters, 801 South Seventh Street, 300-N, Springfield, Illinois. ISP First Deputy Director Chad Peterson acted as the chair. A motion to accept the minutes of the May 16, 2017, meeting was approved by majority vote.

Vice Chair Peterson led an open discussion regarding the list of top threats developed by the ITTF Council of Chairs.

Mr. Bob Evans, IEMA, discussed the FEMA June 2, 2017, release of the 2017 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) and investment justifications. Ms. Susan Nichols discussed FFY 17 Attachments A's for the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board (ILETSB).

Vice Chair Peterson led an open discussion regard the 10 core capabilities on the state's Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA). LEMAC members provided input on identifying which committee they believed would be the lead to address the core capability and LEMAC's role for each. The remaining 16 core capabilities will be discussed at the July 11, 2017, meeting.

Critical Infrastructure Committee – Tom Korty, IDOT, chair, and Vydas Juskelis, APWA, vice chair

The committee met on June 19, 2017, at IEMA. The purpose of the meeting was to develop projects for the FY 17 SHGP grant budget that addressed the top five priorities that the committee determined.

The committee priorities are:

- Prevent Terrorism and Enhance Security
- Strengthen Preparedness and Resilience
- Enforce and Administer Programs
- Safeguard and Secure Cyberspace
- Secure and Manage Infrastructure

The following items were discussed:

- Submitting the request for funding approval, enabling the committee to conduct and execute a study for identifying the levels of criticality of the critical infrastructures that reside within the state of Illinois that are not currently being addressed federally.

- Being able to calculate the cost of performing a study to identify and prioritize these sites, within the State, that is determined to be critical, and assign a level of criticality.
- Taking the above gathered data to identify and address gaps in physical security at each of the critical infrastructure sites that were identified and listed in order of criticality.
- Creating a listing of resources to protect the identified protected sites. Recommendations and options for consideration of protection.
- Making this request scalable, but use as the prototype. We want to look at government sector and communications first. We also want to be looking at sectors that do not have any plans or any ideas at this time.

Kevin Pennell, Protective Security Advisor, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, and Ashley Reichert, Critical Infrastructure Specialist, Illinois State Police, provided a briefing on the Protected Critical Infrastructure Information (PCII) Program.

Jennifer Johnson, IEMA Legal/PGA Chief was given a brief outline of the committee's priorities and the flowchart that were presented to the ITTF Council of Chairs. She also discussed the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for FFY 17 SHGP Grant that was released on June 2nd. The grant application has to be submitted to FEMA by June 22, 2017. It was noted that one of the conditions of this year's application is that HSGP recipients are required to address capability gaps identified through the State Preparedness Report (SPR). Guidance regarding the process for submitting projects for potential funding will be determined soon.

Chair Korty requested that the proposed projects be sent to him for distribution to the committee for their review and recommendations. He reminded committee members that the submissions must be tied to committee's priorities and the capability gaps identified in the SPR.

Upcoming ITTF Meetings

The next Council of Chairs meeting will be held Wednesday, July 26, 2017, at 1:00 p.m. at the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, 2200 South Dirksen Parkway, Springfield, Illinois.

Motion to Adjourn.