

ILLINOIS TERRORISM TASK FORCE  
Minutes of Council of Chairs Meeting  
Dec. 14, 2022  
2200 South Dirksen Parkway, Springfield, Illinois 62703  
and via WebEx

**ATTENDANCE**

- Jim Page – Illinois Terrorism Task Force Chair, in person
- Alicia Tate-Nadeau – IEMA Director, in person

**Committee Chairs**

**Critical Infrastructure:**

- Felchner, Gene – IL Department of Transportation, in person

**Cybersecurity:**

- Jennifer Rominger – IL Department of Innovation and Technology, via WebEx

**Emergency Management:**

- Dan Nelson – City of Naperville, via WebEx
- Marc Sullivan – IL Emergency Management Agency, via WebEx

**Fire Mutual Aid:**

- Ericksen, Glenn – Mutual Aid Box Alarm System, in person
- Jim Keiken – IL Fire Service Institute, in person

**Law Enforcement Mutual Aid:**

- Evans, Larry – IL Law Enforcement Alarm System, via WebEx
- Price, J.W. – IL State Police, via WebEx

**Public Health:**

**Urban Area:**

- Berger, Ted – Cook County DEMRS, via WebEx

**Staff/Members:**

Ahrens, Scott – ISP, in person  
Arnold, Eric – ILETSB, in person  
Beamer-Pfeifer, Julie – WIU, in person  
Elzie, Bobby – IDPH, via WebEx  
Evans, Bob – IEMA, in person  
Hotz, Heather – ILETSB, via WebEx  
Lyons, Bernie – MABAS, via WebEx  
Kim, MyongAe – IEMA, via WebEx  
Miller, Matt – IEMA, in person  
Porter, Tammy – IEMA, via WebEx  
Sluga, Dan – DoIT, via WebEx  
Smith, Pete – ILEAS, via WebEx  
Starr, Matthew – IEMA, in person  
Statham, Anna – City of Chicago OEMC, via WebEx  
Strayer, Nichole – IEMA, via WebEx  
Trame, Chris – ISP, via WebEx

## Call to Order

ITTF Chairman Jim Page greeted everyone in the room and online and called the meeting to order.

## Minutes

- ***Motion to approve the minutes of the September 28, 2022, Council of Chairs meeting.***  
***Motion to Approve: Jim Keiken, IFSI***  
***Seconded: Gene Felchner, IDOT***  
***Minutes of September 28, 2022, Council of Chairs meeting approved.***

## State Homeland Security Updates

- IEMA Director Alicia Tate-Nadeau congratulated Jim Page on becoming the ITTF Chair Pro Tem. She provided an Illinois homeland security update, encouraging vigilance in regard to credible threats in crowded places and critical infrastructure.
- ITTF Chairman Jim Page reminded everyone about the mandatory training for all ITTF delegates due by Dec. 31, 2022. He asked committee chairs to reach out to any committee members who still need to complete their training. Delegates have been contacted multiple times with reminders.

## Old Business

- Chairman Page spoke about prioritization of the ITTF Unmet Needs request for FFY 19 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) and SFY 23 Preparedness and Response (PAR) reallocations. He presented a list created with committee input and explained that the list needs to be prioritized. Discussion took place explaining the need and potential scalability of items on the list and how each committee prioritizes their projects. To compile the overall list, it was suggested to start with each committee's top priority items, making note of projects that build capabilities. Page said that based on today's discussion, he and Bob Evans will re-work the list and send back out to the Council of Chairs. The list will be voted on at the full ITTF meeting in January.
  - ***Motion to approve the items on the Unmet Needs list, which will be prioritized based on the Council of Chair's discussion today and voted on at the full ITTF meeting in January 2023.***  
***Motion to Approve: Glenn Ericksen, MABAS***  
***Seconded: Marc Sullivan, IEMA***  
***Motion passed.***
- Submission of committee meeting schedules for 2023 – Chairman Page reminded the chairs that the ITTF Bylaws require them to submit their committee meeting schedules for 2023. He directed them to submit to Julie Pfeifer.
- 2022 ITTF Annual Report submissions due January 20, 2023 – Page reported that guidance will be sent out shortly.

## New Business

- Timeline for FFY 23 HSGP and SFY 24 PAR project submissions – Acting PGA Bureau Bob Evans presented a tentative timeline for the upcoming grant cycle. Page advised that budget requests should be discussed during upcoming committee meetings.
- Sections 12 and 20(b) of Executive Order on Advancing Effective, Accountable Policing and Criminal Justice Practices to Enhance Public Trust and Public Safety – Chairman Page discussed this draft executive order, which addresses changes in allowable, prohibited, and controlled equipment for purchase with Department of Homeland Security funding in FFY 23. It includes restrictions and prohibitions on such items as tracked and armored vehicles, camouflage uniforms, riot gear, drones, aircraft, etc. Organizations requesting controlled equipment must have several policies in place to purchase the equipment. Page advised the Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Committee to take a close look at the controlled equipment list at their next meeting and start planning for any essential purchases.
- Active Shooter Incident Management (ASIM) Program discussion – Jim Keiken from IFSI discussed a document titled, "ITTF Consideration for Financial Support of the Growth and Advancement of Active Shooter Incident Management Program." Currently IFSI delivers the ASIM - Basic Course and school

reunification training. ASIM–Basic starts the process of developing the skills and experience required to deal with an active shooter. The current proposal would expand the program to include an ASIM–Advanced Course to increase the intensity of the tabletop exercises and guide participants in the integration of law enforcement, fire and EMS responders in active shooter events. Local jurisdictions taking the advanced course could then train with their partner agencies. The proposal would involve entering into a training partnership agreement with C3 Pathways to acquire a Mobile ASIM Training Center (including hardware, software, instructor development training, curriculum, etc.), allowing IFSI to control delivery of the course and provide training on-demand. Eric Arnold from ILETSB said that C3 delivered the course at Western Illinois University in July, and it received extremely positive feedback from first responders. Discussion took place about the cost of the program. Director Tate-Nadeau stressed the importance of a sustainable funding model, not dependent of federal homeland security funding.

- Committee Comments and Questions – Ted Berger, Director of Cook County DEMRS, provided an Urban Area Working Group update. UAWG recently held their quarterly meeting, at which time the Cook County Sheriff’s Office presented a proposal to establish an aviation program starting next calendar year. The new program will provide dedicated coverage to suburban Cook County, backfill the gaps in the city’s aviation assets, which do not operate 24/7 on the police side, and be available upon request as a mutual aid asset. UASI funds will be used to seed the investment, but not support it long term. In addition, Berger mentioned that the county will welcome funding proposals from partners in suburban Cook, with plans to publish a notice of funding opportunity in February 2023.

#### Other Business

- Upcoming Meetings
  - ITTF Full Membership meeting – January 25, 2023, at 10 a.m.
  - ITTF Council of Chairs meeting – February 22, 2022, at 10 a.m.

#### Adjournment

*Motion to Adjourn: J.W. Price, ISP*

*Seconded: Jim Keiken, IFSI*

*Motion carried.*