

MINUTES
INENA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
February 26, 2009

President Pat Lustig called the General Membership Meeting of INENA to order at 10:55 a.m. at the Civic Center, Peoria.

OFFICERS PRESENT:

Pat Lustig (President); Tammy Peterson (Secretary); Connie Armstrong (Treasurer); Glenna Johnson (Region 3, Vice President); Hank Zilm (Region 4, Vice President); Vicki DeFord (Region 5, Vice President); Jodi Moomaw (Region 6, Vice President); Patrick Jamen (Region 8, Vice President) and David Tuttle (Past President).

OFFICERS ABSENT: Sandy Beitel (Vice-President); Cindy Barbera-Brelle (Region 1, Vice President); Jerry Bleck (Region 2, Vice President); and Ken Smith (Region 7, Vice President).

APPROVAL OF INENA MINUTES: A motion was made by Vicki DeFord and seconded by Steve Thompson to approve the INENA Membership minutes dated January 8, 2009. The motion passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT (Connie Armstrong): Connie reported a balance of \$104,084.71 and the Enhancement Fund with a balance of \$354,789.73. A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Steve Thompson and seconded by Alan Davis. The motion passed unanimously.

The conference revenue was down slightly over 2007. The Conference Committee is working to reduce costs of the conference for 2009 and will be holding registrations costs.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Pat Lustig): No Report.

SECRETARY'S REPORT (Tammy Peterson): No Report.

REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Region 1 (Cindy Barbera-Brelle) - Absent

Region 2 (Jerry Bleck) - Absent

Region 3 (Glenna Johnson) – There will be a NG meeting March 31 at 1:30 at the Ogle County Sheriff's Office.

Region 4 (Hank Zilm) – No Report.

Region 5 (Vicki DeFord) – There was a conference call last week and will be another next week to bring everyone up to date on today's meeting.

Region 6 (Jodi Moomaw) – The next meeting will be March 12 in Effingham.

Region 7 (Ken Smith) - Absent.

Region 8 (Patrick Jamen) – The OEC is available for hosting training sessions.

NATIONAL NENA (Bob Currier/ Ron Bonneau/ Ron Bloom): President Lustig confirmed that Ron Bloom has opposition for the Commercial position at the NENA election and Bob Currier is unopposed for the Regional Representative.

COMITTEE REPORTS:

Legislation (David Tuttle): Sherrill Ornberg reported on three pieces of legislation: HB309, regarding the Tollway's *999; SB2106, 9-1-1 surcharge to fund AED's; and HB46, State Police

The Legislative Committee is made up of representatives from IL APCO and INENA including; Pat Lustig, David Tuttle, Norman Forshee, Morrie Farbman, John Kelly, Jason Kern, Sherrill Ornberg, Chris Kindelspire, and Brent Reynolds. The Committee is holding monthly conference calls. There will be emails seeking opinions on issues that will require quick responses.

David Tuttle, John Kelly and Greg Sullivan held a conference call that was very encouraging.

The Committee is working with the Fire Chiefs and will be reaching out to other groups to be made aware of proposed legislation relating to communication to allow participation at the table.

Gregg Sullivan will participate in 9-1-1 Goes to Springfield.

INENA E9-1-1 Enhancement Fund (Cindy Barbera-Brelle): No Report.

REPORTS:

Illinois Commerce Commission (Marci Schroll): Stacy Ross reported on the "Guardian Alert" product being distributed by the Veteran's Administration. It is an automated dialing device to 9-1-1. Marci Schroll is addressing the matter.

There are two pieces of legislation sponsored by the Commission; one regarding Private System Certifications and HB791 which eliminates Section 13 of the ETSA.

There was additional discussion on ATX a product similar to OnStar dialing 9-1-1 in a crash as well as the status of the Ford Sync project. The Legislative Committee will look at these products.

Illinois TERT (Rick Kallmayer): Rick reported the first Team Leader training will be in early April. The one-day training will provide for the certification necessary to allow Illinois to be fully operational on the national level.

There are 38 member agencies. Rick has the regional kits available today.

State Fair (Allan Davis): Allan advised the State Fair will be August 14-22. Anyone willing to work should contact him. The Enhancement Fund Committee will be asked to fund the educational material used for the Fair.

OLD BUSINESS:

9-1-1 Goes to Springfield (Pat Lustig): The Regional VP's have been asked to coordinate within their region the number of attendees and legislative contacts for the April 22 event. Everyone will meet at 11:00 am at the State House Inn for an informational session. Appointments with the legislators should be made between 1:00 pm and 5:00 pm. A reception will follow at 5:00 pm at the State House Inn for everyone attending and invitations will be sent to all legislators. Counts are needed by April 1. A letter will be posted to the web site to be used to request a meeting with your legislator.

INENA Tax Status (Pat Lustig): Connie Armstrong advised the paperwork was sent to the IRS on February 4th. A response is expected within the next few weeks. An accounting firm was employed to coordinate these efforts and make INENA compliant with all tax matters.

Doug Miller Scholarship (Pat Lustig): Applications are due to Sandy Beitel by March 15th. The criteria is on the web site.

9-1-1 Goes to Washington (Pat Lustig): David Tuttle is coordinating the event. Anyone planning to attend should contact David. There will be a conference call soon for those attending.

NEW BUSINESS:

Pat Lustig advised the insurance bond has been increased to secure all account balances. The President, Vice-President and Treasurer have also been bonded.

Legislative Consultant (Pat Lustig): Gregg Sullivan has personally agreed to represent our efforts at the legislative level. If he is unable to represent us it will be a person that is mutually agreed on. The Enhancement Fund Committee has agreed to fund a legislative consultant.

David Tuttle made a motion and seconded by Harland Hector to enter into a three year agreement with Gregg Sullivan, 3/2/09 – 3/2/12, at a cost of \$14,000 per year. Motion carried unanimously.

IPSTA Proceeds (Pat Lustig): INENA received \$30,000 from the 2008 IPSTA Conference. Kathy Monken was re-elected to serve as President of IPSTA.

CLOSING REMARKS / ADJOURNMENT:

President Lustig plans to propose to the Legislative Committee next week to hire a firm to do an accounting survey on what 9-1-1 surcharges are being used for across the state. This documentation will be important to obtain legislative support.

Rick Kallmayer echoed Pat's position and the importance of proving to the legislators how prudent systems are on how funds are spent.

The motion to adjourn was made by Kathy Monken and seconded by Shelly Dallas. The motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 11:40 A.M.

PROGRAM TOPIC: Mr. Riley of Julie Enforcement.

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