

ILLINOIS TERRORISM TASK FORCE
Minutes of Council of Chairs Meeting
January 25, 2017
ATTENDEES

Committee Chairs

Heaton, Rodger – Illinois Terrorism Task Force- Chair

Emergency Management

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

Fire Mutual Aid

Mortenson, Royal – IL Fire Service Institute
– 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, Win – IL Dept. Public Health
Fox, Amy – IL Public Health Association

Staff/Members

Beamer-Pfeifer, Julie - WIU
Clark, Deb – ILEAS
Desai, Lisa – IEMA
Dragoo, Darryl - IEMA
Erickson, Glenn – MABAS
Evans, Larry - ILEAS
Haywood, Dave – MABAS
Johnson, Jenifer – IEMA
Morgan, Gwen – ISP

Illinois Terrorism Task Force (ITTF) Council of Chairs Meeting – January 25, 2017 - 1:00 p.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 at IEMA and expressed his appreciation to the chairs and vice chairs for their willingness to serve on the ITTF committees.

Administrative Update

Director Heaton discussed the new proposed ITTF committee structure and stressed the importance of communication and information flow between the disciplines and specialties within the committees. The Council of Chairs and Vice Chairs will meet on a regular basis (monthly) with representation from both the local and state perspective.

Director Heaton provided a committee report template to be used by each of the committees. The report will be shared with the full membership and would provide a monthly status/progress report on each committee's initiatives/key priorities, topics/issues to be discussed at full membership meeting, recommendations of motions, etc.

Director Heaton asked each committee to briefly identify what their priorities are or should be:

Law Enforcement – at the first committee meeting, each entity represented on the committee was tasked to provide the following at the February 14 committee meeting: a brief presentation on who they are, and what they do/expertise and the top five threats they believe the state of Illinois needs to be prepared for and resources needed to respond to each.

Public Health – the following priorities were discussed at the committee meeting: Crisis Standards of Care framework plan for large scale public health and emergency disaster mass care events and Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Emergency Preparedness Rule.

Fire – preparedness of people and equipment to respond at every level – locate, state and regional and the associated interoperability requirement, adequate response capability (people and equipment) to meet the spectrum of the threat/risk, consistency of resources and elimination of redundancy.

Emergency Management – intelligence – need to evaluate THIRA and do a threat analysis when we know what the top threats are and then to reach out to the existing committee for their input.

Transportation and Critical Infrastructure – defining “critical infrastructure” - consists of air, water, rail, pipeline, etc.? Currently 56 organizations are part of the transportation committee – determine who is/needs to be on roster, rewrite the Evacuation Plan, and formulate the communication plan through transportation – large program moving forward with the STARCOM 21s.

National/State Homeland Security Update

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

Old Business

Darryl Dragoo, IEMA Strategic Planning Cell, provided a briefing on the outcomes of the 2016 Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment/State Preparedness Report (THIRA/SPR).

Jim Page, ILEAS, provided a briefing on the cache of ITTF STARCOM radios that have been returned. A comprehensive list of fire and police departments, emergency management agencies, etc. that has indicated their interest in acquiring the radios and paying the monthly user fees have been identified. Mr. Page is requesting the chairs provide recommendations on how to strategically distribute the radios based on needs and who will benefit from the radios.

Jenifer Johnson, IEMA, reported on the status of the 2017 Department of Homeland Security (DHS) budget. DHS continues to operate on a Continuing Resolution until April 28, 2017. Per FEMA, the 2017 grant guidance is not expected to be released until after April 2017. This will provide time for an ITTF discussion on resource allocation priorities and linkages to threat mitigation and state strategic priorities.

New Business

Director Heaton discussed the importance of maintaining constant communication and information flow among the committees and himself. He discussed the possibility of appointing a coordinator to assist him and to be available to help facilitate communication among the chairs and the committees. Discussion followed with group consensus. Further clarification is needed; subject to the state procurement rules.

Deliverables for Next Council of Chairs Meeting

- Committee priorities
- Schedule of committee meeting dates and times
- Committee recommendations on definition of critical infrastructure
- Committee recommendations on STARCOM distribution

Upcoming ITTF Meetings

The next Council of Chairs meeting will be held Thursday, February 23, 2017, at 1:00 p.m. at the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, 2200 South Dirksen Parkway, Springfield, Illinois.

Motion to Adjourn