



CERT ASSOCIATION OF ILLINOIS
CONFERENCE CALL – July 30, 2019 / 1:30PM
Call-In: 888-494-4032 - Access Code: 6826617442

1. Welcome and Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes from June 21, 2019 Conference Call
3. Old Business
 - a. Membership Document
 - i. Still missing a few addresses and phone numbers. Please send information so we can complete Geocoding to show where everyone is located.
 - b. Geocoding CERT Teams / Association Members
 - i. To see where our Teams / Members are located, follow this link: <https://wiu-gis-center.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=2fc5e94cf46940cf864940bcf83435f2>
 - ii. Each dot lists name, jurisdiction, address, email, and phone numbers. This is for our Association Members only.
 - iii. We need to work at locating additional teams, especially in Central and Southern Illinois.
 - iv. Challenge to each of our current members – identify a new team / new member before the next conference call. Please provide Dan Martin’s contact information (dmartin@newlenox.net 815-462-6493) to be added to the group.
 - c. “Basecamp”
 - i. Please remember that if you get a Basecamp email that starts (CERT Association of Illinois) your reply will go to everyone in the group. For additional information, please review the guide in the documents section at Basecamp.
 - ii. Who is NOT receiving email from “Basecamp?”
 - d. Facebook Page
 - i. <https://www.facebook.com/CERTAssociationofIllinois/>
 - ii. 296 “Likes” – we need our members to “Like” and “Share” the page

- iii. PLEASE send content to page administrators
 - 1. Tonya Balla balla93@sbcglobal.net
 - 2. Karen Flanagan Flanagan_k@cityofelgin.org
 - 3. Beth Drendel brdrendel@gmail.com
 - 4. Dan Martin dmartin@newlenox.net

- e. Web Site
 - i. Doodle Poll Results – www.certillinois.com was selected (19 votes)
 - ii. PAGEDESK, Inc., New Lenox, IL has graciously agreed to design our site. The owner reports that the site is coming along nicely and a preview should be available next week. The goal is to have the web site up and running in the next 30 days.

- f. CERT Association of Illinois Newsletter
 - i. Kurt Clifford has graciously agreed to be the Editor for our Newsletter. Sheri Drotor and Karen Flanagan have graciously agreed to assist. The first issue (September) is currently being designed.

- g. Prairie State CERT Challenge – September 21, 2019 at the Cook County Public Health Facility in Oak Forest, IL (Cicero Ave. & 159th Street).
 - i. Team Information: Those jurisdictions with active CERT programs that wish to participate as a team in the challenge must register **by August 21** at the following website:
<http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=t6xp7jwab&oeidk=a07eguipij7cf16efc> This website also has all the information for teams about the event. As program manager, you're welcome to share the website with your team for the information but only the point of contact should register the team.
 - ii. Volunteer Information: We need a LOT of volunteers to make this event happen. Volunteer registration is located at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805094bafa82ea3fe3-2019> All open volunteer opportunities are listed here, along with additional information about the positions. Volunteer registration will stay open until we fill all the roles. Even if you have a CERT team participating, you are welcome to have other folks volunteer. Those that are interested in the event in any capacity are welcome to volunteer. CERT, Medical Reserve Corps, emergency management volunteers- you name it, you are needed to help! The volunteer opportunities do not require previous CERT experience but you do need to be 18 years of age and older.

- h. CERT Association of Illinois By-Laws
 - i. Latesha Tubbs has graciously agreed to DRAFT the By-Laws. Randy James and Marc Small have also graciously agreed to assist with this effort.
 - i. Not-for-Profit / 501 (c) (3) Status
 - i. Beth Drendel advised that her husband Kevin is an attorney and has experience with not-for-profit groups. Kevin advised that he will be happy to assist our Association in this area.
 - j. CERT Mutual Aid
 - i. Establish “formalized” structure and establish contacts with:
 1. Serve Illinois (Michelle Hanneken)
 2. Illinois Emergency Management Agency
 3. Illinois Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (IL VOAD)
 4. Northeast Illinois Community Organizations Active in Disaster (NEIL COAD)
 - k. Training
 - i. Illinois CERT Train-the-Trainer (Michelle Hanneken / Connie Brooks)
 - ii. CERT Association of Illinois Annual Conference
 1. Venue, speakers, presentations, etc...
 - iii. CERT Association of Illinois Teams
 1. Extend invitation to other teams to attend monthly trainings.
 2. Hosting a particular training for CERT Association of Illinois Teams (not to the scale of Prairie State CERT Challenge).
 - l. Sharing Best Practices – Questions and Discussion
 - i. Marketing, recruitment, tracking volunteer hours, community events, training, volunteer recognition, Standard Operating Guidelines, etc...
4. New Business
- a. IEMA Training Summit (September 3-5, Springfield, IL)
 - i. From Michelle Hanneken - the IEMA Training Summit registration is open for September 3-5 in Springfield. We are having a panel discussion (federal, state and local) about Citizen Corps and CERT on Wednesday at 4pm, as you will see from the agenda. The information is more about history and what we are doing now. We’d love to see you there. Feel free to pass this around!

5. Good of the Order

6. Next Conference Call

- a. During the June 21, 2019 Conference Call, it was decided that the conference calls would be on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 1:30pm. Of course, dates will be changed during holidays and when other conflicts arise. As such, our next call will be on **August 27, 2019 / 1:30pm.** Call-in information is at the top of Meeting Agendas

7. Adjournment