



**CERT ASSOCIATION OF ILLINOIS
REGULAR MEMBERSHIP MEETING
ZOOM MEETING/CONFERENCE CALL – October 26, 2021/7:00PM
MEETING MINUTES**

WELCOME AND ROLL CALL

Rich Wilson called the meeting to order at 19:01 and the following were in attendance:

Balla	Tonya	Mundelein Fire Department
Billings	Trish	Milton Township
Borromeo	Angelica	Chicago CERT
Briody	Tim	Lake County
Caldwell	Kim	
Clifford	Kurt	McHenry County EMA
Devitt	James	Milton Township CERT
Du Charme	Patricia	Chicago CERT
Erwin	Keith W.	Naperville Fire Department
Frizelis	Rich	Chicago Police Department - 12th District Community Policing Office
Frohn	Laura	Naperville Fire Department
Hanneken	Michelle	Serve Illinois Commission
Hemrick	Dottie	Milton Township
Hicks	Elizabeth	Evanston CERT
Hudson	Carol	Chicago CERT
Keen	Linda	Carol Stream Police Department
Kopoulos	Kim	
Lapcewich	Dean	Milton Township CERT
Lehrman	Diane	Milton Township CERT
Lynch	Michael	Milton Township
Malusal	Mil	
Mills	Gary	Buffalo Grove CERT
Moyer	Jeff	South Lake County CERT
Muhammad	Qae-Dah	
Nerenberg	David	SLCR CERT
Ochs	Tom	Highland Park CERT
Rylek	James	Carol Stream CERT
Samson	Edward	Northbrook CERT
Sessner	Robert	Milton Township CERT

Shelton	Ralph	Chicago CERT
Sobanski	Malwina	Addison Police Department
Tamraz	Joseph	
Thoss	Sue	South Lake County CERT
Torres	Kelly	Chicago CERT
Ulaskas	Randy	Village of Monee
Wickersheim	Roger	Round Lake Beach CERT
Wilson	Rich	Buffalo Grove Emergency Management Agency

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 26, 2021 ZOOM/CONFERENCE CALL

Interim Board Member Rich Wilson informed all attendees that the September 26th Regular Meeting Minutes have been posted on the Association’s website.

Chicago Marathon

Interim Board Member Rich Frizelis gave an update to all attendees of the Chicago Marathon. Rich Frizelis stated that about 29,000 attendees and that normally about 40,000 attendees participate.

Rich Frizelis also announced that 2022’s Chicago’s Marathon will be held on Columbus Day.

NEW BUSINESS

None

Training Committee Presentation

Interim Board Member Rich Frizelis presented to all attendees the evening’s training - “ICS in CERT”.

Rich Frizelis informed all attendees of how the Incident Command Structure can be helped by CERT volunteers.

Rich Frizelis introduced the following topics.

1. History of Incident Command System
2. Functions of the positions of a basic organization chart.
3. Where CERT volunteers might be positioned within the structure.
4. How the Incident Commander takes on that role and how that role might be passed to another volunteer.

Rich Frizelis then asked attendees if anyone had any experiences in acting as Incident Commander during an event.

Interim Board Member Rich Wilson replied that in any of his CERT involvement he’s never had a CERT volunteer fill the Incident Commander’s position.

Interim Board Member Kurt Clifford also replied that the same scenarios of never seeing a CERT volunteer fill the Incident Commander’s position holds true for him.

Training Committee Member Trish Billings informed all attendees of a recent multi-agency exercise in which an ICS structure was in place in order for the training to progress.

Trish Billings also added that another Full-Scale Multiagency exercise will be held soon and that the exercise revolves around “Two Lost Campers”.

Trish Billings added that a Search will be conducted, fire suppression tactics, and a Dive team will all be incorporated into the exercise.

OLD BUSINESS

Prairie State Cyber Challenge

Interim Board Member Rich Wilson informed all attendees that the virtual Prairie State Challenge will be Saturday November 6, 2021 from 10:00 am–2:00 pm.

Rich Wilson also instructed all attendees to remember to use the Merit application when registering.

Train-the -Trainer

Rich Wilson also announced all attendees of the 2-day Train-the Trainer course being offered Saturday, November, 13 (8:00 am – 3:30 pm) and Sunday, November, 14 (8:00am - 3:00 pm).at the DuPage County Fairgrounds.

Rich Wilson also informed all attendees that this class is full and that the next class will be determined soon.

NEXT VIDEO CONFERNECE CALL/MEETING

Next Interim Board Meeting is Monday, November 15th, 2021 at 7:00 PM

Next Regular Association Meeting is Tuesday, November 16th, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

Interim Board Member Rich Wilson informed all attendees that the Regular Association Meeting Agenda will not be sent out since the Board Meeting and the Regular Meeting are on consecutive days due to the holidays.

Interim Board Member Tonya Balla that a review of the Prairie State Cyber Challenge will be held by Interim Board Member Rich Frizelis.

Tonya Balla also added that the newly certified CERT trainers will be introduced.

Good of the Order

Interim Board Member Rich Wilson informed all attendees of the value of CERT volunteers during an event. Rich Wilson cited a few examples where one CERT volunteer made a difference during the Chicago Marathon despite a large volunteer base being present.

ADJOURNMENT

Board Member Rich Wilson called the meeting at 20:05 with a motion.

Minutes respectively submitted by Interim Board Member Kurt Clifford (McHenry County EMA)