

IREACH

Illinois Radio Emergency Assistance Channel Governing Board

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IREACH Meeting June 22, 2005 DeKalb Municipal Building DeKalb, Illinois

Meeting called to order at 1004 hours by Chairman Jan Noble. Roll call was taken and a quorum was present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were presented. **Motion by Billy Carter and second by Michael Dillon to approve. Passed.**

Old Business:

T.J. Ward reported that of the 28 new IREACH base stations pending several are waiting for information to complete their applications. Pike County has been added to the list of pending applications. According to Dave Dato the transmitters are being processed at this time through the ITTF Board.

Billy Carter stated he is waiting for the Tollway application so it can be processed.

New Business:

Normal Fire Department wishes to abandon IREACH in favor of McLean County Sheriff's Department. While no formal request has been made, the Board felt they would give approval so the process would not be delayed. **Motion by Lambert Fleck and second by Greg Abbott to allow McLean County Sheriff to assume the IREACH license for McLean County provided they do not exceed 100 watts at 100 feet. Passed.**

Billy Carter presented information on what the Federal government request to use IREACH for Homeland Security operations. Much discussion followed. The IREACH Board will review the material presented and notify Chairman Noble of their thoughts or concerns.

DeKalb City Police Chief Bill Feithen is requesting that DeKalb City be designated a back-up for DeKalb County Sheriff on IREACH. **Motion by Lambert Fleck and second by Michael Dillon to approve the application for DeKalb City as a back-up for Dekalb County on IREACH. Passed.** It was suggested that they may want to consider remote phone line access between base stations if one of the transmitters fails.

Next meeting will be in Springfield in October, date and time to be determined.

Motion by Greg Abbott and second by Richard Lundin to adjourn at 1120 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Barry L. Valentine, Secretary