



**Chapter Meeting Minutes – Thursday, February 25, 2021  
Held Virtually Via Go to Meeting**

**OFFICERS PRESENT:**

<b>Attending</b>	<b>Not Attending</b>
President/ Executive Council Rep Brent Reynolds	Past President Jeanine Krull
1st Vice Ralph Caldwell	Pat Hughes, Commercial Advisory
2nd Vice President Tammy Peterson	Frequency Advisor North Bill Carter
Treasurer John Mostaccio	Frequency Advisor South Chris Kindelspire
Secretary Ed Milam	
Director Martin Doyle	
Director Bryan Whitaker	
Director Steve Rauter	
Director Bud Hicks	
Amy Marion, Alternate Commercial Advisor	Online participants: 66

President Brent Reynolds opened the meeting at 11:55 hours.

**Approval of minutes:** The meeting minutes were presented from our meeting on December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020. **Motion to approve the minutes by Bud Hicks, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Martin Doyle. Motion carried by hand signal.**

**President Brent Reynolds Comments –** President Brent Reynolds opened the meeting my introducing and swearing in our newest member to the Illinois APCO Board. Brent stated, “It is an honor to be able to swear in our newest Board Member Bryan Whitaker.” Brent swore in Bryan Whitaker as a Director for Illinois APCO. Brent reminded members that APCO International is planning their Annual Conference in person in August in San Antonio, Texas. Flash Day is April 5<sup>th</sup>. Brent also wanted to acknowledge the work of the Joint Legislative Committee. Brent also urged members to provide feedback to Committee members and to the Statewide Advisory Board. Brent also expressed thanks for the re-appointment of Ralph Caldwell to the Statewide Advisory Board as Illinois APCO’s representative.

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Ralph Caldwell –** No report

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Tammy Peterson–** No report

**Treasurer’s Report John Mostaccio –  
Treasurer’s balances as of February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
ASSETS - Current Assets**

Checking/Savings	
Chase Checking	2,500.00
Chase Savings	104,313.11
Gregg Riddle Scholarship Fund	5,207.70
Scholarship Fund	8,817.06
Total Checking/Savings	120,837.87
Total Current Assets	120,837.87
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>120,837.87</b>

**Secretary Report Ed Milam** – Ed Milam presented current membership numbers:

<b>Illinois APCO Membership - February, 2021</b>	
Associate	42
Commercial	18
Full	216
Group- Commercial	8
Group-Full	299
Group-Online	1145
<b>Total</b>	<b>1728</b>

**Director Steve Rauter** –

- The Starcom ITTF template is under revision, due to recent events, that merit the additional talk groups.
- Steve also mentioned the move towards the Starcom talk groups for 9-1-1 centers, technicians, etc.
- Also the continuing implementation of StarMed talk groups for EMS MERCI purposes.
- IREACH is now being managed by SIEC.
- School safety – During the pandemic much work has been done on school safety. SIEC has tried to get their arms around on safety hardware and apps for schools. A total of 7 recommendations were adapted. SIEC is part of ITTF and ITTF is developing a White Paper regarding schools.
- Safe2helpil.com – Is a new website where at risk students can ask for help. Would like to hear of any success stories.

**Director Bud Hicks** – APCO International Standards work is upcoming, and we are always seeking additional volunteers to assist.

**Director Bryan Whitaker** – No report.

**Director Martin Doyle** – Martin Doyle spoke about the positive aspects of the recently held Spring Leadership Symposium.

**Past President Jeanine Krull** – No report

**APCO International 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Jason Kern –**

- APCO International will have 2 candidates for 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Kim Burdick / Beck Nugent.
- January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021 Jessica Rosenworcel was appointed FCC Chairman
- APCO Nexus Conference has been moved to virtual on May 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021
- APCO's Leadership Awards Dinner will also be moved to virtual and will feature only Awards.

**Chris Kindelspire, Frequency Coordinator – No report**

**Pat Hughes, Commercial Advisor – No report**

**Amy Marion, Alternate Commercial Advisor –** We recently held a Zoom Conference with our Commercial members. We had 25 attendees representing 11 companies. Thank you to our sponsors for 2021.

**Old Business**

**IPSTA update –** Tammy Peterson provided an update on IPSTA 2021. The 2021 IPSTA Conference is being planned as an in-person event by the IPSTA Conference Committee. Call for Papers has been posted. Thank you to our 2021 Sponsors.

**Leadership Symposium –** Bud Hicks reported we are preparing for the Symposium which is being held virtually this year. Registration is now open.

**New Business**

**Scholarships:** Ed Milam presented information on Illinois APCO's Scholarship programs. The Beth Cortina RPL and Otto Rhoades Scholarship programs.

**2021 Illinois APCO Awards –** Committee Chair Kevin Dilua reminded members that the 2021 nomination period for the Illinois APCO Awards will begin in May to August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021. Kevin spoke briefly about last year's awards winners who will be recognized at the 2021 IPSTA Conference.

**APCO International Awards –** Brent Reynolds provided information on the 2021 APCO International Public Safety Communications Awards Program Reynolds. Brent also reminded members that APCO has an upcoming webinar on the Awards.

**APCO International Scholarship programs –** Brent Reynolds presented information on APCO International Scholarship Programs - Silent Key and Commercial Advisory Committee Scholarships.

**National Public Safety Telecommunicator's Week 2021 –** Ed Milam presented information on this year's 2021 NPSTW, April 11<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>. Ed mentioned APCO International resources website and their annual contest, this year's theme, Who is your Superhero? APCO Int'l-Contest for 2021 Telecommunicator Week Milam

**Motion to adjourn by Ralph Caldwell, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Mostaccio. Motion carried by hand signal.**

Meeting adjourned at 1235 hours.

Respectfully submitted:

*Ed Milam*

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Chapter Secretary

The following information was provided during the Illinois NENA meeting:

**Office of the 9-1-1 Administrator - Cindy Barbra-Brelle** - The Illinois House will begin work on HB3702, same bill as last spring. Same bill we worked on before is now introduced. Other sections we are working on are definition changes, database changes and changes to the makeup of the SAB. Comments due by March 1<sup>st</sup>.

We currently have 4 unserved counties, 3 will go live in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2021. Stark County is continuing to research its options. We have 5 systems that are non-compliant due to their failure to submit their Annual Financial Report. They have till 3/3/21, after 3/3/21 we will withhold surcharge.

The Next Gen project intends to award to AT&T.

Continuing to work with procurement on 9-1-1 PSE.

GSA added class for data maintainers notification is out now. Some classes are full already.

Finalizing the GIS workflow with ESRI to get some training videos.

Lastly we had 46 Next Gen grants applications and 7 consolidation grant applications asking for 4 million dollars, we had 5 million dollars to give.

### **Legislative -**

David Tuttle: Ralph Caldwell was reappointed to SAB. Legislative Committee has met and discussed HB3702. We are working on a response to language changes from the committee will be submitted later this week.

Ralph Caldwell: Ralph reported that HB2751 had been moved to HB3702, Stay tuned to the meetings upcoming, and stay tuned to the upcoming. SAB assembled the Annual Report to General Assembly.

Legislative Committee is meeting every Tuesday morning. Our Consultant John Lowder is watching, and we have not seen anything that will affect us but we are always watching. Still not moving on any surcharge changes.