

**INDIANA LAND IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION**  
**Minutes of Meeting of Board of Directors**  
**Saturday, September 14, 2019**

The Third Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Indiana Land Improvement Contractors Association was held at Anarchy Axe Throwing, Indianapolis, Indiana, on Saturday, September 14, 2019. The meeting was called to order by President James Ramsey at 8:15 a.m. James welcomed everyone to the meeting. Bryan Noggle moved to have an open agenda. Troy Warweg seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Minutes: Minutes from the June, 2019, meeting had been emailed to board members. Bryan Noggle moved to accept the minutes as presented. Tony Cain seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Correspondence: Nanci Gutwein announced that National is having an open house on October 11, 2019, at their new office. Nanci will be going. She will also attend an executive director's meeting and training at the National office on November 8, 2019.

Treasurer's Report: Nanci Gutwein presented a written report for Chris Smidler. Total assets = \$264,214.20. It was necessary to buy a new laptop and new Quickbooks program when the old system died. John Bush will be our convention entertainment.

President's Report: James Ramsey stated he did not get to attend the National convention this summer.

National Report: Tony Cain reported the next National board meeting will be in October when the open house takes place.

Area Directors Reports: All areas reported being busy.

Executive Director's Report: Nanci Gutwein presented a written report of her activities. Nanci said she has applied for the Midwest Damage Prevention Training Scholarship. The new INLICA website is almost ready. Setup is completed except for the Indiana specific information. The contractor search feature is very nice. She is hoping it will be ready by the end of September. It would be good to market the website on a Google account and social media.

A discussion took place about a gas line blow up simulation that was performed at the Farm Progress Show this year. James said he would like to see INLICA incorporate a similar demonstration at our next field day.

Legislative Report: At the federal level, WOTUS has been revoked. At the state level, a water inventory that was ordered by then Governor Mike Pence has been completed. Storm Water conference meetings have started. The hope is to keep the focus on towns and not get ag involved. There is an undertone that suggests OSHA will be getting rid of the ag exemption and that probably means drainage will be targeted too.

Old Business:

State Fair Exhibit: The exhibit worked out well with the banners and the tile machine. It was in a very good location in the Pioneer Village.

Ohio LICA needs volunteers to help with the Farm Science Review Field Day. James is going Tuesday and maybe Wednesday. Steve Girton is in charge of the field day.

New Business:

Nanci Gutwein reminded members that the Con Expo early bird registration is coming due soon. Also rooms need to be reserved. Those planning to go are James Ramsey, Bryan Noggle, Tony Cain and possibly Chris Smidler and Keith Miller. Nanci will make the convention registrations and room reservations for those who are definitely going.

The December board meeting will be December 7, 2019, at the Marriott East in Indianapolis.

Convention workshop ideas are welcome. It was suggested that a CPR re-certification session be held possibly on Wednesday. Nanci reported that the hotel has remodeled and a couple of additional meeting rooms are available if we want to offer a choice of workshops in the same time slot.

The Nature Conservancy is looking for projects using wetlands. They are hoping to find a way to work something into an INLICA field day. Purdue wants more work done as soon as funding allows for it.

Progress is being made on the National History Book.

There was discussion about any interest in hiring a liaison for legislation. Nanci told the group that Tommy Gutwein, who is connected with the National Agriculture Marketing Association might be willing to come to a board meeting and see if he might be able to help. He is currently a student at Purdue.

There being no further business, Tony Cain moved to adjourn the meeting. Bryan Noggle seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Frieda Pickering, Recording Secretary

Attendees:

President -	James Ramsey
Vice-President -	Bryan Noggle
Region III VP -	Tony Cain
NW Directors -	Joe Stull
SE Directors -	John Pickering
Associate Directors -	Troy Warweg Neal Hall
Associate Member -	Chris Calisto
Executive Director -	Nanci Gutwein
Recording Sec -	Frieda Pickering