

INDIANA LAND IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION
Minutes of 65th Annual Business Meeting
Thursday, January 24, 2019

The 65th annual meeting of the Indiana Land Improvement Contractors Association was held at the Marriott East Hotel at 7202 E. 21st Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, on Thursday, January 24, 2019. The meeting was called to order by President Tony Cain at 1:17 p.m. Tony introduced National LICA President, Mike Cook and Region III Vice-President, Russ Talaski. Chris Smidler moved to have an open agenda. Troy Warweg seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Minutes: Chris Smidler moved to accept the minutes from last year's annual meeting. Bob Clark II seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Correspondence: Nanci Gutwein shared a thank you letter from Dale Heltzel whose daughter received a scholarship. Nanci stated she has been working on new member paperwork.

Treasurer's Report: Chris Smidler presented the written treasurer's report. Total of all funds is \$317,273.61. Keith Miller moved to accept the treasurer's report. James Ramsey seconded the motion. The motion passed. Keith Miller moved to take \$100,000 from the main account and deposit into the money market account. James Ramsey seconded the motion. The motion passed. Chris presented the budget for the upcoming year. There were no questions. Bob Clark II moved to accept the budget as written. Brian Noggle seconded the motion. The motion passed.

President's Report: Tony Cain reported 2018 was a good year and a busy year. INLICA held two field days and he thanked the associates for helping make them a success. Tony reported that for the first time, INLICA had an exhibit at the Indiana State Fair. He has attended the IOWPA convention and had a booth there for INLICA. Tony wanted all members to be aware that Norm Rozendaal with Precision Intakes passed away January 3, 2019. Tony said he has loved being President of the organization the past 3 years and is grateful for the opportunity.

National Report: Mike Cook, National President reported that LICA has added over 300 new members during the past year. National has rented a new office right across the hall from their old office that is twice as large and will allow meetings to be held in the new space. He announced that the History of Drainage magazine is out and the book will be ready in the fall. He stated he is looking forward to the National Convention in Tucson. National dues are going to be raised. Russ Talaski, Region III VP stated his term will be ending in February. He is looking for teams for events during associate's night at National convention.

Area Directors Reports: Tony Cain reported that there were two great area meetings held earlier in the month and Nanci did a great job on both. NE: Keith Miller reported that the area meeting in the north was good and work has been busy; NW: Chris Smidler reported everyone is busy as weather permits; SE: Bob Clark II reported that weather has been the biggest factor affecting work.

Executive Director's Report: Nanci Gutwein presented a written report of her activities. She will be submitting a top state application next week and would welcome any input. She stated that during the banquet there would be a moment of silence of Norm Rozendaal.

Technical Advisor: Mike Cox stated that NRCS updates were given during the morning sessions. He reported that NRCS is working during the government shutdown as they have approved funding until February 3. FSA is not currently funded.

Legislative Advisor: Tony Cain told members about House Bill 1261 which is the main bill concerning septic systems now in the state legislature. IOWPA is backing this bill.

Educational Advisor: Jane Frankenberger will be reporting during the convention tomorrow.

Standing Committee Reports:

Membership: Nanci Gutwein reported that she is still waiting for some dues to come in. Membership is holding at about 137.

Scholarship: Amanda Heltzel was awarded the scholarship this year. She will be at the banquet tonight to be recognized. There was discussion about adding another scholarship next year. Chris Smidler moved to offer 2 scholarships at \$2,000 each next year. Keith Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Convention: Associates are pleased with the current convention location. The challenge is to get more regular members to attend.

Associates: The associate members are pleased with the convention setup and location.

Ladies: The ladies have been participating in a craft this morning.

Honors & Awards: Chris Smidler reported that awards will be presented at the banquet tonight.

By-Laws: If membership is changed to include multiple people from one business or family perhaps on a graduated fee scale, there would need to be a by-laws change. Nanci is checking to see how that would affect National dues.

Necrology: The death of Tim Davis an ADS salesman and uncle of Chris Smidler was noted.

Old Business:

Field Days -

Tony Cain thanked everyone who helped with the field days last summer. He stated they both went well and Purdue is very pleased with the results. While there are no field days in the works for 2019, Purdue is interested in more projects in the future.

Nominations and Election of Officers and Directors: The following directors was presented for appointment:

NW	Joe Stull	Nominated by James Ramsey, seconded by Chris Smidler, passed.
NE	Guil Wehr, Jr.	Nominated by Bob Clark II, seconded by Dean Neiswinger, passed.

Troy Warweg nominated Brian Noggle for Vice-President. Chris Smidler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Chris Smidler nominated James Ramsey for a 2 year term for President. Unanimously accepted.

The following is the current slate of directors for the board:

	Term ending 1- 2020	Term ending 1- 2021	Term ending 1 - 2022
NW Director	John Hack II	Paul Pence	Joe Stull
NE Director	Kevin Hohman	Keith Miller	Guil Wehr, Jr.
SW Director	Rob Wood	Greg Vagedes	Dean Neiswinger
SE Director	Brian Mohr	John Pickering	Bob Clark II
Associates	Neal Hall	Troy Warweg	Chris Calisto
At-Large	Mike Koehne	Chris Smidler	Tony Cain

Delegates were appointed for the National LICA convention in Tucson. They include James Ramsey, Chris Smidler, Brian Noggle and Tony Cain. Keith Miller moved to pay airfare and hotel expenses for these delegates and Executive Director, Nanci Gutwein. Dean Neiswinger seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Tony Cain commented that area directors used to help with the planning and arrangements of the area meetings. If only two area meetings continue to be held, he would like to see one in the NW area.

Dean Neiswinger moved to adjourn the meeting. Chris Smidler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Frieda Pickering, Recording Secretary

Attendees:

President -	Tony Cain
Vice-President -	James Ramsey
Treasurer -	Chris Smidler
Region III VP -	Russell Talaski
National Officer -	Mike Cook
NE Directors -	Keith Miller
SE Directors -	Brian Mohr
	John Pickering
	Bob Clark II
SW Directors -	Dean Neiswinger
Associate Director -	Troy Warweg
Technical Advisor -	Mike Cox
Executive Director -	Nanci Gutwein
Recording Sec -	Frieda Pickering
Members -	Guilford Wehr Jr
	Steve Landis
	Scott Rogers
	Brian Noggle
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INLICA Lady -	Donna Clark