

Illinois Valley Regional Dispatch Board
LaSalle, Peru, Oglesby & Mendota ETSBs
Meeting Minutes
June 24, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was held Tuesday, June 24, 2025 at the Peru Municipal Building, 1901 4th Street, Peru, Illinois. Vice Chairman Janick called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Voting & Quorum Members Present: Doug Bernabei, Leo Hochstatter (Boelk), Jason Curran, Brian Fisher, Jeff Grove, Steve Maltas, Mike Margis, Jason Martin, Mike Smudzinski, Vice Chairman Jerry Janick Absent: John Duncan, Joe Hogan, Ken Kolowski, Gregory McDermott, Dennis Rutishauser, Chairman Jeff King.

Non-Voting Members Present:

MINUTES

Vice Chairman Janick presented the minutes of the IVRD meeting of May 27, 2025. Doug Bernabei made a motion the minutes be received and placed on file. Jason Curran seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM (CITIZEN COMMENT)

None

COMMUNICATIONS

None

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

FIRE/EMS OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Jerry Janick reported the Fire/EMS Operations Committee met today with discussion on operational matters and the annual review of ProQA.

LAW ENFORCEMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Doug Bernabei reported the Law Enforcement Operations Committee will meet again on July 29th.

Jeff Grove inquired about cities'/police policies regarding e-bikes and scooters. Board members conducted general discussion on these matters.

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

LABOR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

No report.

REPORTS

IVRD EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Executive Director Brandon Miller provided the following report:

- **Accreditation:** Police Accreditation has been submitted and the review process will be going really well. The reviewer has indicated our policies are well written. Once the initial application is reviewed we will move into the second phase which involves virtual several meetings, virtual PSAP tour and virtual observation with a TC. Applications for Medical and Fire-are being put together.
- **NWS Storm Ready Board** - July 11 the NWS Storm Ready Board will be at IVRD for our site visit.
- **CESSA-** the mandate for implementation has been extended another two years. The pilots will continue. Since we have a operational sub regional committee other PSAPs involved will be joining the pilots in the future. For our region this will include Ottawa, LCSO and BuEComm. We continue to pilot and have had a successful transfer. The caller was back on 911 in about 40 minutes stating they told him to call ambulance. This is being looked into by the state and crisis hub.

- **Legislative:** Bills have been proposed on the house and senate for the surcharge to go from \$1.50 to \$2.50. Local senators and representatives have been contacted and support requested. Representative Briel visited IVRD at her request. She was very impressed with our communication center and has pledged support.
- **Staffing:** Holloway is only a few days aware on full release. Brazel continues to train on nights and is making progress. Interviews were conducted with a few quality candidates standing out. They will be contacted for future openings. We remain at full staff.
- **Next Meeting:** Trisha from Abacus will be at the meeting to go over the draft budget for the 25-26 fiscal year.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

No report.

REPORTS

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Vice Chairman Janick presented and reviewed the May financial report. Steve Maltas made a motion to receive and place the May financial report on file and to approve and pay bills in the usual manner. Jeff Grove seconded the motion. Melissa Carruthers called the roll with Bernabei, Hochstatter (Boelk), Curran, Fisher, Grove, Maltas, Margis, Martin, Smudzinski and Janick voting aye; Duncan, Hogan, Kolowski, McDermott, Rutishauser and King absent; motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Jeff Grove announced the upcoming October 10th retirement of LaSalle Police Chief Mike Smudzinski. Board members recognized and congratulated Chief Smudzinski on his approaching retirement. Jeff Grove announced Jason Stubler will be LaSalle's new police chief in October.

RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES

PUBLIC FORUM (CITIZEN COMMENTS)

None

EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION

None

SCHEDULE NEXT IVRD MEETING

The next IVRD meeting will take place at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, July 29th, 2025.

ADJOURNMENT

Jason Martin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jason Curran seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:13 a.m.