

Tri-River Police Training Region

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Tri-River Police Training Region Advisory Board Minutes of December 18, 2024 Meeting

The December 18, 2024 Tri-River Advisory Board meeting was called to order at 8:31 a.m. by Chairman Brian Benton in the Community Room at the Plainfield Police Department, and a quorum of members and proxies was established.

Members in attendance:

Chief Brian Benton
Chief Phil Arnold
Chief Adam Bogart
Chief Fred Hayes
Mimi Bejda for Chief Brandt Hromadka
Ryan Dobczyk for Chief Edward Clark
Chief Al Swinford
Chief Alicia Steffes
Jim Sinovich for Chief Justin Meyer
Pat Kinsella for Chief Mike Rompa
Anthony Lazzaroni for Chief Scott Koerner
Micah Nuesse for Chief Louis Alessandrini
Chief Leanne Chelepis
Chief Robert Miller
Steven Formenti for Sheriff Mike Kelley
Hilary Davis, ILETSB Representative
Village of Channahon President Missey Schumacher

Members absent:

Chief Rich Harang
Chief Chris Harseim
Chief Robert Dykstra
Chief Ryan Gulli
Chief William Evans
Chief Adam Zink
Sheriff Ken Briley

Others in attendance:

Anthony Novak, Plainfield PD
Luke Ostreko, Plainfield PD
Jason Louthan, Mokena PD
Nick Keedy, Bolingbrook PD
Louis Silich, Will County State's Attorney's Office
Paul Petty, ILETSB Representative
Jeffrey Chapman, ILETSB Representative
Bradley Hertzmann, Tri-River, Executive Director

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John Perona, Tri-River, Training Coordinator
Becky Burnett, Tri-River, Administrative Assistant

Chairman Benton called for a moment of silence for Grundy County Board and Advisory Board member, Caleb Counterman, who passed away on December 8th.

Chief Hayes made a motion to approve the November 20, 2024 meeting minutes, seconded by Anthony Novak and carried by all members present. Motion passed.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:

Chairman Benton went around the room for introductions and welcomed all to the meeting.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

No Report

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **PERSONNEL:**

No Report

- **FINANCE:**

Director Hertzmann reviewed the Financial Report dated 12/18/2024, a copy was distributed. (Report will be attached to these minutes to be archived)

Highlights:

- Tri-River classes held: Writing Effective Search Warrants \$1,292.46, Criminal Procedure \$1,292.46, Mobile Phone Investigations \$1,800.00, Death Investigation \$934.82, Internal Affairs Investigations \$1,289.78
- IDOT Grant classes held: None
- H.S. Grant classes held: None
- ILETSB/CIT/SRO/LHI Grant classes held: (2) \$8,003.44
- FY25 Grant reimbursements: IDOT \$0.00, CIT/SRO/LHI \$53,926.21, HS \$0.00
- \$800.00 refund to CPD In-Service account from IAWP for 2 conference registration cancellations
- Issued check #4352 from CPD In-Service fund for \$5,374.86

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- **POLICY AND BYLAWS:**

No Report

- **TRAINING:**

No Report

OLD BUSINESS:

Website Upgrade

- Director Hertzmann is leaning toward a company that already handles 4 other MTU's websites, which is helpful, in that they are familiar with what we do and what information we need on our website. Information on the company and a sample of what our electronic calendar and class flyers would look like were distributed.
- We would like to include an area where agencies could search by mandate to populate any available classes that will help fulfill that mandate.
- We are somewhat unique in our registration process and would still need to manually filter certain distinctions between General and Associate Members. We would imagine the registration process to be very similar to the current process, but we will hopefully be able to show the number of available spots and also how many are on each wait list.
- The initial cost to design the website is between \$4,000.00 and \$5,000.00, with an annual fee of \$800.00 to host the website.
- Sergeant Ostreko requested a section showing a list of approved in-house instructors from each agency, along with their approved topics.

ILETSB Quarterly meeting - Summary

- All officers must be in compliance with all mandates on July 1, 2025. If they are not in compliance, they will be subject to being placed in an INACTIVE status with ILETSB.
- LE Academy dates have been released, along with tuition increases.
- A state-wide committee will be working on creating standardized outlines for Active Threat, Rescue Task Force, Close Quarter Battle, and High-Risk Vehicle Stops training. Instructors will create their own lesson plans based on these outlines.
- A power test work group (Fit Force Inc.) is working on creating 1 standard for the power test that is not gender specific.
- There were issues translating the information from the DOJ COPS portal to ILETSB, but this has since been resolved. If you are awaiting credit from one of these online classes, it should be showing up soon.
- The CIT Conference will be held in East Peoria from 6/25 - 6/26/2025.

NEW BUSINESS:

Associate Membership request - Chessie Railroad PD

- 2 Full-Time and 3 Part-Time Officers, for a total of \$410.00 in annual dues
- Tabled until January meeting. We will be inviting them to attend and speak.

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