

MINUTES OF THE ILLINOIS WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
JAMES R. THOMPSON CENTER, 100 WEST RANDOLPH STREET
ROOM 9-036
HELD ON June 25, 2019 at 10:00 AM

Present at the meeting:

Chairman Michael Brennan
L. Elizabeth Coppoletti
Barbara Flores
Stephen Mathis
Douglas McCarthy
Maria Portela
Deborah Simpson
Thomas Tyrrell

Present by telephone:

Marc Parker

IWCC staff present at the meeting were:

Ronald Rascia, General Counsel
Annette Roti, Confidential Assistant to the Chairman
Brendan O'Rourke, HR Director
Cecelia Kasmierski, Associate General Counsel
Cole Garrett, Deputy General Counsel
David Larson, Deputy General Counsel

Chairman Michael Brennan called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and noted that a quorum was present. There was a motion by Commissioner Tyrrell, seconded by Commissioner Coppoletti, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes from the meeting held on May 20, 2019.

As to old business, David Larson reported that accident reports are electronic. Mr. Larson advised that the IWCC is the first to use the XML format for reporting and that the new format will provide lots of legacy data.

As to new business, Chairman Brennan advised that the IWCC is on the front end of the technology curve, having met with two Microsoft executives and signing an agreement to begin the electronic filing system. Working with the existing partner and adopting an "off the shelf" system will cut down on costs. Chairman Brennan advised that Microsoft is a tremendous partner. Having signed \$4 million in contracts, the process is moving along very quickly. With spreading out releases and a managed roll out, the projection is 72 weeks. Chairman Brennan discussed the costs and noted that the IWCC has the assets to cover the full extent of the project.

Next, Chairman Brennan and HR Director, Brendan O'Rourke, discussed the Annual Report. Mr. O'Rourke was thanked for his work on the report. Chairman Brennan thanked everyone for their assistance. Chairman Brennan stated that a letter would go to the Governor advising of the content of the report. There was a motion

by Commissioner Simpson, seconded by Commissioner Mathis, and unanimously carried to approve and transmit the Annual Report to the Governor.

Next, Chairman Brennan thanked Commissioner Coppoletti, Commissioner Mathis, Cole Garrett, and the steering committee for their work on the proposed draft Rule pursuant to P.A. 100-1117. Cole Garrett discussed the draft and the next step for submission of the proposed rules to JCAR. There was a motion by Commissioner Coppoletti, seconded by Commissioner Portela, and unanimously carried to submit the proposed rules for Public Act 100-1117 to JCAR. Ronald Rascia advised that any questions regarding the pending rule should be sent to him as Ethics Officer.

The Chairman advised there was no further new business and no public comment. There was a motion by Commissioner Flores, seconded by Commissioner Coppoletti, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting.