

DU-COMM

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING – MINUTES

Wednesday, January 22, 2025 – 7:30 a.m.
DU-COMM, 420 N. County Farm Road, Wheaton, IL

At 7:31 a.m. Mayor Brummel called the meeting to order.

1. Roll Call Mayor David Brummel (Chairman)
Police Chief Geoffrey Pretkelis
Administrator Evan Walter
Manager William Holmer
Manager David Fieldman
Manager James Grabowski
Manager Mark Franz
Manager Kathleen Gargano
Manager Scott Niehaus
Administrator Jason Bielawski
Fire Chief Steve Stapleton
Administrator Michael Guttman
Manager Michael Dzugan
Police Chief Dave Schar
Administrator Al Stonich
President Jim McCarthy
Fire Chief Matthew Beyer
Fire Chief Keith Krestan
Fire Chief Rick Sanborn Jr.

City of Warrenville
Village of Bartlett
Village of Burr Ridge
Village of Carol Stream
Village of Downers Grove
City of Elmhurst
Village of Glen Ellyn
Village of Hinsdale
Village of Lombard
Village of Roselle
Village of Villa Park
City of West Chicago
City of Wheaton
Village of Winfield
Village of Woodridge
Bartlett FPD
Bloomingtondale FPD
Lisle-Woodridge FPD
York Center FPD

Absent: Manager Zachery Creer – Village of Clarendon Hills; Administrator Bryon Vana – City of Darien; Sheriff James Mendrick – DPSO; Mayor Rodney Craig – Village of Hanover Park; Mayor Christopher Pecak – Village of Lisle; Police Chief Brian Strockis – Village of Oak Brook; Mayor Paul Esposito – City of Oakbrook Terrace; Mayor Frank Trilla – Village of Willowbrook

Staff: Acting Executive Director Benjamin, Finance Manager Athitakis, HR Manager Groves, Technical Services Manager Maplethorpe, MIS Manager Klein, Exec Secretary Regalado

Guests: Attorney John Kelly - Ottosen DiNolfo Hasenbalg & Castaldo, Ltd; Police Chief Phil Norton – Village of Glen Ellyn

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Public Comment

- None

4. Special Recognition *(moved from the Executive Committee Agenda)*

- A. Motorola Award – TS Manager Erik Maplethorpe for his work on the NFPA standards for new portable radios.
- B. Wall of Life Honoree – TC Cheryl Delph-Ruiz for her handling of a childbirth call on August 8, 2024.
- C. Wall of Life Honoree – TC Jackie Bormann for her handling of a cardiac arrest call on November 3, 2024.
- D. Wall of Life Honoree – TC Diana Pikul for her handling of a cardiac arrest call on November 15, 2024.
- E. Wall of Life Honoree – TC Beth Alyse Burton for her handling of a cardiac arrest call on December 6, 2024.
- F. Proclamation 25-002 – Fire Chief Mark Bozik, Roselle FD on his retirement and for his service to DU-COMM.

5. Consent Agenda

Minutes

A. October 16, 2024 – Minutes

Bartlett FPD • Bartlett PD • Bloomingdale FPD • Burr Ridge PD • Carol Stream FPD • Carol Stream PD • Clarendon Hills FD • Clarendon Hills PD • Darien PD • Darien-Woodridge FPD • Downers Grove FD • Downers Grove PD • DuPage County Sheriff • Elmhurst FD • Elmhurst PD • Glen Ellyn FC • Glen Ellyn PD • Glenside FPD • Hanover Park FD • Hanover Park PD • Hinsdale FD • Hinsdale PD • Lisle PD • Lisle-Woodridge FPD • Lombard PD • Lombard PD • Oak Brook FD • Oak Brook PD • Oakbrook Terrace FPD • Oakbrook Terrace PD • Roselle FD • Roselle PD • Villa Park FD • Villa Park PD • Warrenville FPD • Warrenville PD • West Chicago FPD • West Chicago PD • Wheaton FD • Wheaton PD • Willowbrook PD • Winfield FPD • Winfield PD • Woodridge PD • York Center FPD

New Business

- B. Resolution 2025-01 Delegating Financial Duties
- C. Resolution 2025-02 Appointing IMRF Authorized Agent
- D. Semi-Annual review of closed session minutes

Administrator Guttman made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items A, B, C, D as presented, and Manager Niehaus seconded. Motion passed by a roll call vote.

6. Executive Director Update

Acting Executive Director Benjamin reported:

- Phone System:
 - The phone cut over occurred on October 22, 2024.
 - Issues were encountered, some of which are still being resolved.
 - Text-to-911 is delayed until these issues are resolved.
- Labor Management:
 - A demand to bargain was received from the Union. Our Labor Attorney acknowledged receipt.
 - The contract expires on April 30, 2025.
- Leadership Training:
 - Operations Managers have been registered for DU-COMM-specific leadership training.

7. Old Business

A. Strategic Plan – on hold

Acting Executive Director Benjamin noted

- Director Robb plans to present the Strategic Plan at the next meeting. The graphic designer is working on clerical edits.

8. New Business

A. FYE26 Budget

Administrator Guttman made a motion to approve the FYE26 Budget as presented, and President McCarthy seconded. Motion passed by a roll call vote.

B. FYE25 Budget Amendment

Administrator Guttman made a motion to approve the FYE25 Budget Amendment as presented, and Manager Niehaus seconded. Motion passed by a roll call vote.

9. Executive Closed Session for the purposes of discussing:

- A. Personnel matters (5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 1)
- B. Collective negotiating matters (5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 2)
- C. Purchase or lease of real property (5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 5)
- D. Pending, Probable, or Imminent Litigation (5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 11)

The Board of Directors did not enter Closed Session.

10. Other Business

- Mayor Brummel announced his retirement in May and the process for selecting his successor.
- President McCarthy requested attendance at the February 12 ETSB meeting to discuss the delay of the new fire radios.

11. Adjournment

At 8:00 a.m. Manager Franz made a motion to adjourn, and Administrator Guttman seconded. The motion was approved by voice vote. Meeting adjourned.

The next Board of Directors is Wednesday, April 23, 2025, at 7:30 a.m. at DU-COMM.

Respectfully submitted,
Kimberly Regalado
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