

DU-COMM

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL CALL MEETING – MINUTES

Wednesday, June 27, 2025 – 7:30 a.m.

DU-COMM, 420 N. County Farm Road, Wheaton, IL

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

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| 1. Roll Call | Mayor Rodney Craig I (Interim Chairman)
Administrator Evan Walter
Manager William Holmer
Administrator Bryon Vana
Manager James Grabowski
Manager Mark Franz
Manager Kathleen Gargano
Mayor Mary Jo Mullen
Manager Scott Niehaus
Police Chief Brian Strockis
Administrator Jason Bielawski
Fire Chief Steve Stapleton
Mayor Andy Johnson
Manager Michael Dzugan
Administrator Al Stonich
President Jim McCarthy
President Timothy Deutschle
President Longry Wang
Trustee Jim Williams | Village of Hanover Park
Village of Burr Ridge
Village of Carol Stream
City of Darien
City of Elmhurst
Village of Glen Ellyn
Village of Hinsdale
Village of Lisle
Village of Lombard
Village of Oak Brook
Village of Roselle
Village of Villa Park
City of Warrenville
City of Wheaton
Village of Woodridge
Bartlett FPD
Bloomingtondale FPD
Lisle-Woodridge FPD
York Center FPD |
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Absent: President Dan Gunsteen – Village of Bartlett; Manager Zachery Creer – Village of Clarendon Hills; Manager David Fieldman – Village of Downers Grove; Under Sheriff Eddie Moore – DuPage County Sheriff; Mayor Paul Esposito – City of Oakbrook Terrace; Administrator Michael Guttman – City of West Chicago; Mayor Frank Trilla – Village of Willowbrook; President Carl Sorgatz – Village of Winfield

Staff: Director Robb, DD Benjamin, Finance Manager Athitakis, HR Manager Groves, Technical Services Manager Maplethorpe, MIS Manager Klein, QA Manager Miller, Exec Secretary Regalado

Guests: Attorney John Kelly - Ottosen DiNolfo Hasenbalg & Castaldo, Ltd (via phone); Police Chief Phil Norton – Village of Glen Ellyn; Police Chief Collin Fleury – City of West Chicago

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Public Comment

- None

4. Recognition

A. Proclamation 25-007 – MIS Manager Scott Klein

5. New Business

A. Collective Bargaining Agreement ratification between the ILFOPLC and DU-COMM (May 2025 to April 2028)

- Director Robb thanked Police Chief Norton, Police Chief Fleury, Deputy Director Benjamin, Finance Manager Athitakis, and HR Manager Groves for their hard work and guidance throughout the process.
- Very proud of both sides of negotiations for such a rapid, amicable and productive agreement.
- Chief Norton noted having parameters set by the Executive Committee were helpful in negotiations.
- Mayor Craig noted Director Robb's leadership brings a new tone that is appreciated.

Bartlett FPD • Bartlett PD • Bloomingtondale 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 FD • 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

Manager Grabowski made a motion to accept the three-year Collective Bargaining Agreement as presented, and Administrator Stonitsch seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

B. Contract Agency Options

- The funding method was vetted through the Finance Subcommittee and the Executive Committee.
- DU-COMM receives continued interest from non-traditional members i.e. Argonne and the Forest Preserve.

Manager Niehaus made a motion to approve the funding method as presented, and President McCarthy seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

C. FYE26 Budget Amendment

- Budgeted item part of the STARCOM21 process in order to purchase staff radios.
- Next step after the radio purchase is for DU-COMM to have an MOU with ETSB to gain access to the talk groups.

Manager Niehaus made a motion to approve the FYE26 Budget Amendment as presented, and Manager Grabowski seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous 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**

A. Portable Fire Radios

- President McCarthy questioned if a timeframe for distribution was in place and if measurements of the radios could be supplied to allow fire departments to order holsters for the radios. Recommended to contact Chief Clark for that information.
- Manager Franz noted radio testing should begin in the next couple of weeks, with radios distributed within the next 60 days.
- Mayor Craig sympathized with the fire departments being very disappointed with the process of this 35-million-dollar project.
- Director Robb stated Motorola's project manager would present at the next ETSB meeting on July 9th. Members could attend in person, or the meeting is also streamed.

B. Transit Bill

- Mayor Craig noted he shared with the Mayors a letter with a link from the Illinois Municipal League regarding the status of the Transit Bill and the impact on our municipalities. Please let him know if you are interested and he will share the letter.

11. **Adjournment**

At 7:50 a.m. Manager Niehaus made a motion to adjourn, and Manager Franz seconded. The motion was approved by voice vote. Meeting adjourned.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Kimberly Regalado
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