

# DU-COMM

## DuPage Public Safety Communications

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### CHIEFS OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING – MINUTES

Tuesday, November 4, 2025 – 1:00 p.m.

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

Chief Schar called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

#### 1. ROLL CALL / AGENCY:

DC Brian Becker	Bartlett FPD	Chief Rick Sander	Lombard FD
Chief Matthew Beyer	Bloomingtondale FPD	Chief Tim Smeltzer	Roselle FD
Chief Dave Godek	Clarendon Hills FD	DC Brandon Mitsuka	Villa Park FD
DC Jason Norton	Darien PD	DC Ric Ciszewski	West Chicago FPD
Chief Jim Lahanis	Darien-Woodridge FPD	Commander Eugene Samuel	West Chicago PD
DC Jamie Tunk	Darien-Woodridge FPD	Chief Lauren Kaspar	Willowbrook PD
Lt. Jason Glaser	Downers Grove PD	Chief Steve Evans (Vice Chair)	Winfield FPD
Chief Guy Papa	DuPage County Sheriff	Chief Dave Schar (Chairman)	Winfield PD
DC Steve Reynolds	Elmhurst FD	Chief Tom Stefanson	Woodridge PD
DC Brett Kaczorowski	Elmhurst PD	Chief Rick Sanborn, Jr.	York Center FPD
Commander Jim Monson	Glen Ellyn PD	DC Bret Mowery	York Center FPD
Chief Rich Cassidy	Glenside FPD		
DC Craig Gomorzak	Lisle PD		
Chief Keith Krestan	Lisle-Woodridge FPD		

ABSENT: Chief Ryan Conway – Bartlett PD; Chief Marc Loftus – Burr Ridge PD; Chief Rob Schultz – Carol Stream FPD; Chief Don Cummings – Carol Stream PD; Chief Ed Leinweber – Clarendon Hills PD; Chief Scott Spinazola – Downers Grove FD; Chief Chris Clark – Glen Ellyn FD; Chief Eric Fors – Hanover Park FD; Chief Andy Johnson – Hanover Park PD; Chief Jefferey Pindelski – Hinsdale FD; Chief Brian King – Hinsdale PD; Chief Joe Grage – Lombard PD; Chief Kevin Fleege – Oak Brook FD; Chief Brian Strockis – Oak Brook PD; Chief John Turkovich – Oakbrook Terrace FPD; Chief Casey Calvello – Oakbrook Terrace PD; Chief Bob Barreto – Roselle PD; Chief Todd Kubish – Villa Park PD; Chief Andy Dina – Warrenville FPD; Chief Sam Bonilla – Warrenville PD; Chief Robert Brill – Wheaton FD; Chief P.J. Youker – Wheaton PD

DU-COMM STAFF: Executive Director Robb, Training Manager Schretter, QA Manager Miller, TS Manager Maplethorpe, MIS Manager Roberts, SMO Pirog, OM Napier, Executive Secretary Regalado

#### 2. Public Comment

- None

#### 3. Approval of Minutes

##### A. September 9, 2025

Chief Sanborn made a motion to approve September 9, 2025 minutes and Chief Lahanis seconded. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

#### 4. Executive Committee

##### A. October 23, 2025

Chief Schar noted

- Topics discussed will be addressed by other committee members.
- DUMEG (DuPage Metropolitan Enforcement Group) peer support program for police adding comfort dog support (Fire agency contacted DU-COMM wanting to provide services to the group). Policy and liability changes are being made at the MERIT level. Please contact them for any fire or police agency that would like to join and volunteer their dogs.
- The next meeting is November 19<sup>th</sup>.

#### 5. Report of the Committees

##### A. Support Services (Chief Robert Brill)

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- No report. The committee did not meet.
- The next meeting is January 7<sup>th</sup>.

## B. Police Operations (Chief Lauren Kaspar)

- No report. The committee did not meet.
- The next meeting is November 19<sup>th</sup>.

## C. Fire Operations (Chief Eric Fors)

Chief Schar reported on Chief Fors behalf

- Discussed the roll out and usage of the new portable radios.
- Began discussion of alarm board operations, alarm connections, keyholders and their respective policies for updates.
- Identified CAD codes and their usage for review at our standardization committee.
- Next meeting is December 18<sup>th</sup>.

## 6. ETSB Report

### A. ETSB

Director noted

- UPS battery replacement project was successfully completed at DU-COMM on October 10<sup>th</sup>.
- VESTA phone system upgrade is scheduled for Monday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. The upgrade went well at ACDC a month ago.
- GIS map roll occurred the week of October 7<sup>th</sup>.
- Tait mobile radios were approved.
- RapidSOS communicator module was approved. GIS portions were approved but are being reviewed to ensure there is no overlap with current programs.
- The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 12<sup>th</sup>.

### B. PAC Update

Director Robb reported on the agenda

- Metra Police and Wayne Police access to the DEDIR system was approved.
- Emergency button activation feature was discussed. ACDC, DU-COMM and ETSB met to ensure all understand what needs to be done when help is requested.

## 7. Staff Reports

### A. Directors Report

Director Robb reported

- All Fire radios were deployed by Thursday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>.
  - Expressed gratitude to DU-COMM Chairman Levin and ASA Winistorfer for their help with the Fire IGA and the patience of the Fire departments.
  - There were a few issues interfacing with Northwest Central that the ETSB has fixed.
  - Radio funding was questioned. Determined DU-COMM and agencies should be preparing for possible future radio purchases.
- The DuPage Government campus on the Wheaton side has a law enforcement change to the Sheriff's Office, instead of Wheaton PD as of December 1<sup>st</sup>.
- The Executive Committee approved the Argonne proposal and contractual language. Discussion will continue with Argonne for DU-COMM dispatching.

### B. Operations/Training Report

Director Robb noted

- Directors are meeting with RapidSOS to review features that are not being utilized in the current free version. We needed language translation for text messages received in foreign languages and RapidSOS was able to activate the translation feature.

Training Manager Schretter reported

- There are 74 TCs; 4 TCs have finished the training academy; interviews on Saturday; next training academy to begin in mid-January. Appreciation for agencies accommodating ride-a-longs for the new hires.
- Active assailant drills are being planned for November and December.

### C. Support Services Report

TS Manager Maplethorpe reported

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- Phone system upgrade is scheduled for Monday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. During the upgrade TCs may not know who is calling on the 10-digit lines temporarily. Specific information will be emailed on Friday, November 7<sup>th</sup>.
- Fire West to Fire North channel realignment will be completed on Tuesday, November 11<sup>th</sup>. An email will be shared on Friday, November 7<sup>th</sup> with what to expect.
- AXS consoles – a new version to fix the issues is being installed at ACDC this week and then at DU-COMM.

MIS Eric Roberts reported

- Interviewing for the Network Administrator position, hoping to have start soon.

D. Human Resources Report

In packet.

E. Revenue Expenditure Report

In packet.

## 8. Old Business

A. Mental Health

Director Robb reported

- State mandated training for new CESSA required psych protocols.
- Different levels for triaging mental health calls. Lowest risk we will take and transfer to 988. Anything above will get a police or fire response (weapons, combative, history, etc.).
- OM Martin is heading the Region 8 sub-regional committee for DuPage and is looking for members.

B. School Safety

Director Robb reported

- Director Robb will participate in a panel discussion in March 2026.
- Director Robb is looking for feedback from anyone responding to panic alarms or school safety related matters.
- There are so many different companies, lanyard versus wall alarms, etc.
- Training for all is needed.

## 9. New Business

A. None

## 10. Other Business

A. York Center has tablet mounts etc. that will be recycled and asked if any departments were interested in the items.

## 11. Adjournment

At 1:28 Chief Lahanis made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Deputy Chief Ciszewski seconded. Motion approved by unanimous voice vote. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

*Kimberly Regalado*

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