

# MINUTES

Municipal/County Intergovernmental Committee  
Wednesday, March 22, 2023 - 6:00 PM  
DuPage Mayors & Mangers Conference (DMMC) Office  
1220 Oak Brook Road  
Oak Brook, IL

## WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS, AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Co-Chair Craig called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.  
A quorum was present.

Those in attendance included:

### ***Committee Members:***

Mayor Rodney Craig (Co-Chair)	Hanover Park
Mayor Dave Brummel	Warrenville
Mayor Jeff Pruyn	Itasca
Mayor Rich Veenstra	Addison
CB Member Michael Childress (Co-Chair)	District #1
CB Member Yeena Yoo	District #2
CB Member Lucy Chang Evans	District #3
CB Member Mary Ozog	District #4
CB Member Patty Gustin	District #5
CB Member Greg Schwarze	District #6

### ***Others Present:***

Suzette Quintell	DMMC
Sheryl Markay	DuPage County Board Office
Barb Reynolds	DuPage County State's Attorney's Office

## PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment submitted.

## MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Member Schwarze made a motion to approve the Minutes from the September 14, 2022, committee meeting, seconded by Member Yoo. All Ayes, motion carried.

## LOCAL UPDATE FROM MAYORS & COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS

Mayors and County Board Members each provided an update on their work and communities:

- CB Member Ozog – as Chair of the county's Transportation Committee, Member Ozog discussed the county's disappointment in last week's ruling by the U.S. Surface

Transportation Board (STB) that approved the controversial merger of the Canadian Pacific and Kansas City Southern Railroads. The coalition, that comprises 10 members including the county and area municipalities, felt that the STB ignored the public safety concerns raised in addition to the significant increase in freight traffic and the impact this will have on the residents of the neighboring communities. The STB commented that public safety issues were not under their purview but rather that of the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA). The recent rail derailment in Ohio that has threatened the health and safety of thousands of residents and first responders has led some members of Congress to introduce legislation to address these public safety issues that DuPage County will add to its federal legislative program. There was a general discussion about the issues and members commented that the Coalition is still reviewing the 211 page decision and has yet to decide next steps, which may include Congressional hearings, a formal appeal, or litigation.

- CB Member Yoo – introduced herself as a new member of the County Board who is Chair of the county's IT Committee that recently provided an update on cybersecurity issues. She was also recently appointed to the Emergency Telephone System Board (ETSB) and has toured Du-Comm and OEM to learn more about the emergency response services provided. She is looking forward to being of service to her communities and is a litigation attorney, specializing in domestic violence and family law.
- CB Member Gustin – introduced herself as a new member of the County Board who is a realtor and who previously served for 7 years as a member of the Naperville City Council. She looks forward to serving on this committee and working together on issues together locally and in Springfield.
- CB Member Schwarze – currently serves as Chair of the county's Human Services Committee and the Emergency Telephone System Board (ETSB). He provided an update on issues currently before ETSB and provided details regarding the \$1 million grant program the county recently established to provide funds to smaller non-profits in the county (with budgets under \$300,000).
- CB Member Evans – introduced herself as a new member of the County Board who is the Chair of the county's Judicial Public Safety (JPS) Committee. She is a civil engineer who also worked previously as a member of the Secret Service. Future JPS issues include the significant increase (almost double) in the cost to care for county jail detainees (including escalating health care and food costs) and the rising number of inmates, which may fluctuate based on the outcome of the SAFE-T Act litigation.
- CB Member Childress – who was also recently elected to the County Board, serves as Vice-Chair of the County Board and previously worked for Motorola and other technology companies for many years. He looks forward to working with everyone and has known Mayor Craig for many years.
- Mayor Pruyn – introduced himself as the Mayor of Itasca and detailed how his community was heavily involved fighting the aforementioned railroad merger. He also serves as a member of the DuPage Water Commission.
- Mayor Veenstra – introduced himself as the Mayor of Addison, who serves on the IML Board, Choose DuPage Board, Hope Taskforce, and the DuPage Convention and Visitors

Bureau Board. He stated that a primary focus for his community is workforce development, as Addison is home to the fourth largest industrial park in the state and most employers in town are currently looking for workers. He commented that 40% of the town's population is Latino and he is working with Congressman Krishnamoorthi's office on an access to citizenship program for non-documented residents.

- Mayor Brummel – introduced himself as the Mayor of Warrenville who also serves as the Chair of DuComm, as a member of the DuPage Convention and Visitors Bureau Board and past President (twice) and active member of DMMC. He described some challenges his community is facing including the (costly) reconstruction of a wastewater treatment facility with Naperville and construction of a water tower in town.
- Mayor Craig – of Hanover Park, spoke about some success stories to reduce crime in his community and his disappointment with the recent STB ruling. He is also very involved with the U.S. Conference of Mayors, the National League of Cities, DMMC, and is a member of the IML Board.

#### FUTURE TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

The committee identified several future agenda items including a presentation by CMAP (Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning), an update from the county health department on the proposed Central Receiving Center, and issues related to public safety.

#### OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

#### NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

#### ADJOURNMENT

With no further business remaining before the committee, Mayor Craig moved to adjourn, seconded by Mayor Pruyn. All yeas, motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.