

Lake Consolidated Emergency Communications (LakeComm)



LakeComm Fire/EMS Chiefs Advisory Committee

Agenda Report - FINAL

Wednesday, September 3, 2025

1:00 PM

LOCATION:

**Regional Operations and Communications Facility (ROC)
656 W. Winchester Road Libertyville, IL**

1. Call to Order

- Pledge of Allegiance

2. Roll Call of Members

3. Approval of Minutes

- 3.1.** Committee action approving the LakeComm Fire/EMS Chiefs Advisory minutes from August 6, 2025.

Attachments: LakeComm Fire EMS Advisory 8.6.2025 Final Minutes (pg. 3)

4. Public Comment

5. Unfinished Business

- 5.1.** Continued Discussion on Core Functions.

6. New Business

- 6.1.** Executive Director Updates.

7. Member Remarks

8. Adjournment

Next Regular Meeting: October 1, 2025, location to be determined.

Lake Consolidated Emergency Communications (LakeComm)



LakeComm Fire/EMS Chiefs Advisory Committee

Minutes - FINAL

Wednesday, August 6, 2025

1:00 PM

**LOCATION: Central Permit Facility (2nd FL)
500 W. Winchester Road Libertyville, IL**

1. Call to Order

- Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Chief Lescher called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call of Members

Chair Chief Lescher did a roll call of members.

Members present:

Beach Park Fire Protection District: Thomas Stahl, Chief

Countryside Fire Protection District: Chuck Smith, Chief

Fox Lake Fire Protection District: Ed Lescher, Chief - Committee Chair

Greater Round Lake Fire Protection District: Greg Formica, Chief

Gurnee Fire Department: John Kavanagh, Chief

Lake Zurich Fire Department: David Pilgard, Chief

Mundelein Fire Department: Bill Lark, Chief

Newport Fire Protection District: Mark Kirschhoffer, Chief

Wauconda Fire Protection District: Chas Buschick, Deputy Chief

Not in attendance:

First Fire Protection District of Antioch

Lake Villa Fire Protection District

North Chicago Fire Department

Zion Fire Department

3. Approval of Minutes

- 3.1.** Committee action approving the LakeComm Fire/EMS Chiefs Advisory minutes from June 4, 2025.

Attachments: LakeComm Fire EMS Advisory 6.4.2025 Final Minutes (pg. 3)

A motion was made by Member Kavanagh, seconded by Member Smith, that these minutes be approved. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

4. Public Comment

There were no comments from the public.

5. Unfinished Business

5.1. Continued Discussion on Core Functions.

The group has reached general consensus on the core functions for LakeComm. Discussion ensued regarding the fire alarm monitoring and the use of ASAP to PSAP. There is an interim plan in place for now for fire alarm monitoring.

6. New Business

6.1. Executive Director Updates.

- *ED Kern gave his status on LakeComm and an update on the ROC. All background checks for prospective employees have been completed.*
- *ED Kern shared his communication that he sent out a few days earlier on the status of LakeComm. He relayed they we will begin transitioning away from Lake County for our meetings and that LakeComm will begin scheduling the monthly meetings.*
- *As for the opening of the center, they are waiting on the state 911 administrator to approve the plan before they can start operating the center. He advised the opening of the center will be pushed back to September or October. The JETSB needed 23 communities to approve the MOU, and they are still waiting for a few to come in. They have 10 in hand, 9 will be coming soon, and 3 they waiting to hear from.*
- *He has been talking with Motorola about the patches for the radios systems from VHF to Starcom not being permanent, still working on this.*
- *ED Kern also met with the Lake County Radio group, and they have settled on 7 law enforcement talk groups.*

7. Member Remarks

There were no remarks from members.

8. Adjournment

A motion was made by Member Kavanagh, seconded by Member Kirschhoffer, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Chair Chief Lescher adjourned the meeting at 1:20 p.m.

Next Regular Meeting: September 3, 2025, location to be determined.