

Lake Consolidated Emergency Communications (LakeComm)



**Fire/EMS Chiefs Advisory Committee
Minutes – Approved**

Wednesday, January 7, 2026

1:00 PM

LOCATION:

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

1. Call to Order

Chair Lescher called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM.

2. Roll Call of Members

Chair Lescher did a roll call of members:

Antioch Fire Protection District: Ian Kazian, Chief

Beach Park: 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 Villa Fire Protection District: Doug Slazes, Chief

Lake Zurich Fire Department: David Pilgard, Chief

Mundelein Fire Department: Bill Lark, Chief

Newport Fire Protection District: Absent

North Chicago Fire Department: John Umek, Chief

Wauconda Fire Protection District: Curt Hanselman, Chief

Zion Fire Department: Justin Stried, Chief

3. Approval of Minutes

3.1. Committee action approving the LakeComm Fire/EMS Chiefs Advisory minutes from December 10, 2025.

A motion to Approve the Minutes from December 10, 2025 was made by Member Slazes seconded by Member Stried. The motion carried by voice vote.

4. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

5. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

6. New Business

6.1. Executive Director Updates.

Director Kern provided a status update on LakeComm operations.

- He provided an update on the status of the ASAP-to-PSAP interface.
- An additional status on the FSS alarm monitoring technology and issues still being ironed out with FSS and Affiliated.

7. Member Remarks

There was a general consensus from members that operations were progressing well with some minor challenges.

Members inquired on comments made at a separate meeting regarding a grant being turned down by LakeComm related to a CAD-to-CAD interface. Director Kern indicated that was not accurate, however the Lake County ETSB had submitted for grant funding from the State previously and that it was not awarded. Kern further indicated that there were discussions on CAD-to-CAD options with Glenview Public Safety Dispatch and a State supported software that is still being set up.

8. Adjournment

A motion to Adjourn the Meeting was made at 1:25 PM by Member Slazes, seconded by Member Kazian. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

The Next Regular Meeting: February 4, 2026, at the Regional Operations and Communications Facility.