

**Minutes of a Meeting  
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**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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DuPage Water Commission  
600 E. Butterfield Road, Elmhurst, Illinois

April 16, 2026

I. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Zay at 6:30 PM

II. Roll Call

Commissioners in attendance: J. Fennell, N. Cuzzone, A. Honig, T. Noonan, D. Novotny, J. Pruy, D. Russo, F. Saverino, P. Suess, D. Van Vooren, J. Zay

Commissioners absent: S. Greaney, K. Romano,

Also in attendance: P. May, C. Peterson, C. Bostick, M. Weed, J. Loster, D. Panaszek, D. Cuvalo, D. Mundall, Phil Luetkehans of Luetkehans, Brady, Garner & Armstrong, LLC

III. Public Comments

No Public Comment was offered.

IV. Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Honig moved to approve the Minutes of the March 19, 2026 Regular Meeting of the DuPage Water Commission and the Executive Session Meeting Minutes of March 19, 2026. Seconded by Commissioner Russo.

Ayes: J. Fennell, N. Cuzzone, A. Honig, T. Noonan, D. Novotny, J. Pruy, D. Russo, F. Saverino, P. Suess, D. Van Vooren, J. Zay

Nay: None

Absent: S. Greaney, K. Romano

V. Public Hearing Regarding Management Budget Ordinance for the Fiscal Year Commencing May 1, 2026 and Ending April 30, 2027

Commissioner Saverino moved to open the Customer Hearing regarding the Management Budget Ordinance for the Fiscal Year Commencing May 1, 2026 and Ending April 30, 2027, seconded by Commissioner Russo. Unanimously approved by a roll call vote.

Ayes: J. Fennell, N. Cuzzone, A. Honig, T. Noonan, D. Novotny, J. Pruyn, D. Russo, F. Saverino, P. Suess, D. Van Vooren, J. Zay

Nay: None

Absent: S. Greaney, K. Romano

With no comments presented, Commissioner Cuzzone moved to close the Customer Hearing regarding the Management Budget Ordinance for the Fiscal Year Commencing May 1, 2026 and Ending April 30, 2027, seconded by Commissioner Fennell. Unanimously approved by a roll call vote.

Ayes: J. Fennell, N. Cuzzone, A. Honig, T. Noonan, D. Novotny, J. Pruyn, D. Russo, F. Saverino, P. Suess, D. Van Vooren, J. Zay

Nay: None

Absent: S. Greaney, K. Romano

VI. Public Hearing Regarding Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Fiscal Year Commencing May 1, 2026 and Ending April 30, 2027

Commissioner Pruyn moved to open the Public Hearing regarding the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Fiscal Year Commencing May 1, 2026 and Ending April 30, 2027, seconded by Commissioner Russo unanimously approved by a roll call vote.

Ayes: N. Cuzzone, J. Fennell, A. Honig, T. Noonan, D. Novotny, J. Pruyn, D. Russo, F. Saverino, P. Suess, D. Van Vooren, J. Zay

Nay: None

Absent: S. Greaney, K. Romano

With no comments presented, Commissioner Van Vooren moved to close the Public Hearing regarding the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Fiscal Year Commencing May 1, 2026 and Ending April 30, 2027. Seconded by Commissioner Saverino, unanimously approved by a roll call vote.

Ayes: N. Cuzzone, J. Fennell, A. Honig, T. Noonan, D. Novotny, J. Pruyn, D. Russo, P. Suess, D. Van Vooren, J. Zay

Nay: None

Absent: S. Greaney, K. Romano

VII. Treasurer's Report

Chairman Zay asked for a motion to accept the March 2026 Treasurer's Report.

Commissioner Pruyn moved to accept the March 2026 Treasurer's Report, seconded by Commissioner Cuzzone, unanimously approved by a voice vote. All aye, motion carried.

VIII. Committee Reports

**A. Finance Committee.**

Item 1: Commissioner Suess gave a brief committee update.

Item 2: Ordinance No. O-11-26: An Ordinance Approving and Adopting an Annual Management Budget for the Fiscal Year Commencing May 1, 2026 and Ending April 30, 2027.

Commissioner Suess made a motion to approve Item 2, Ordinance No. O-11-26: An Ordinance Approving and Adopting an Annual Management Budget for the Fiscal Year Commencing May 1, 2026 and Ending April 30, 2027, seconded by Commissioner Russo, unanimously approved by a Roll Call Vote.

Ayes: N. Cuzzone, J. Fennell, A. Honig, T. Noonan, D. Novotny, J. Pruyn, D. Russo, F. Saverino, P. Suess, D. Van Vooren, J. Zay

Nay: None

Absent: S. Greaney, K. Romano

Item 3: Ordinance No. O-12-26: An Ordinance Establishing a Rate for Operation and Maintenance Costs for the Fiscal Year Commencing May 1, 2026 and Ending April 30, 2027.

Commissioner Suess made a motion to approve Item 3, Ordinance No. O-12-26: An Ordinance Establishing a Rate for Operation and Maintenance Costs for the Fiscal Year Commencing May 1, 2026 and Ending April 30, 2027, seconded by Commissioner Russo, unanimously approved by a Roll Call Vote.

Ayes: N. Cuzzone, J. Fennell, A. Honig, T. Noonan, D. Novotny, J. Pruyn, D. Russo, F. Saverino, P. Suess, D. Van Vooren, J. Zay

Nay: None

Absent: S. Greaney, K. Romano

Item 4: Ordinance No. O-13-26: An Ordinance Establishing Fixed Costs to be Payable by Each Contract Customer for the Fiscal Year Commencing May 1, 2026 and Ending April 30, 2027.

Commissioner Suess made a motion to approve Item 4, Ordinance No. O-13-26: An Ordinance Establishing Fixed Costs to be Payable by Each Contract Customer for the Fiscal Year Commencing May 1, 2026 and Ending April 30, 2027., seconded by Commissioner Russo, unanimously approved by a Roll Call Vote.

Ayes: N. Cuzzone, J. Fennell, A. Honig, T. Noonan, D. Novotny, J. Pruyn, D. Russo, F. Saverino, P. Suess, D. Van Vooren, J. Zay

Nay: None

Absent: S. Greaney, K. Romano

Item 5: Ordinance O-14-26: Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Fiscal Year Commencing May 1, 2026 and Ending April 30, 2027.

Commissioner Suess made a motion to approve Item 5, Ordinance O-14-26: Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Fiscal Year Commencing May 1, 2026 and Ending April 30, 2027, seconded by Commissioner Russo, unanimously approved by a Roll Call Vote.

Ayes: N. Cuzzone, J. Fennell, A. Honig, T. Noonan, D. Novotny, J. Pruyn, D. Russo, F. Saverino, P. Suess, D. Van Vooren, J. Zay

Nay: None

Absent: S. Greaney, K. Romano

**B. Administration Committee**

Item 1: Commissioner Van Vooren gave a brief committee update.

Item 2: Resolution No. R-28-26: A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a 12-month Consulting Agreement with CDW-G for IT Cyber Security at a cost of \$140,257.30

Item 3: Resolution No. R-32-26: A Resolution Recommending approval of a collective bargaining agreement between the DuPage Water Commission and the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 399 (AFL-CIO), as amended due to a scrivener's error.

Commissioner Van Vooren moved to adopt items 2 and 3 under the Administration Committee Report section of the agenda in a single group pursuant to the Omnibus Vote procedures. Seconded by Commissioner Noonan, unanimously approved by a Roll Call Vote.

Ayes: N. Cuzzone, J. Fennell, A. Honig, T. Noonan, D. Novotny, J. Pruyn, D. Russo, F. Saverino, P. Suess, D. Van Vooren, J. Zay

Nay: None

Absent: S. Greaney, K. Romano

### **C. Engineering & Construction Committee**

Item 1: Commissioner Fennell gave a brief update.

Item 2: Resolution No. R-29-26: A Resolution to Approve & Ratify Certain Work Authorization Orders Under Quick Response Contract QR-13/25with John Neri Construction Co., at an estimated cost of \$30,690.

Item 3: Resolution No. R-30-26: A Resolution Authorizing the General Manager to Purchase Steel Pipe and Butt Straps from American Spiral Weld Pipe Company at a not to exceed cost of \$33,000.

Item 4: Resolution No. R-31-26: A Resolution Approving and Ratifying Certain Change Orders to a Contract for the SCADA Replacement Project (Contract PSD-9/21) increasing the net Contract Price by \$99,938.74, for a revised contract price of \$15,822,144.02.

Commissioner Fennell moved adopt numbers 2 through 4 under the Engineering & Construction Committee Report section of the agenda in a single group pursuant to the Omnibus Vote Procedures seconded by Commissioner Honig, unanimously approved by a Roll Call Vote.

Ayes: N. Cuzzone, J. Fennell, A. Honig, T. Noonan, D. Novotny, J. Pruyn, D. Russo, F. Saverino, P. Suess, D. Van Vooren, J. Zay

Nay: None

Absent: S. Greaney, K. Romano

## **IX. Accounts Payable**

### **A. March 2026**

Item 1: To approve the Accounts Payable in the amount of \$10,141,735.45 DWC, \$1,689,020.00 WaterLink (March 2026) subject to submission of all contractually required documentation, for invoices that have been received (Roll Call).

Chairman Zay asked for a motion to approve the accounts payable disbursements, with the estimated accounts payable for March 2026. Commissioner Russo moved, seconded by Commissioner Fennell and unanimously approved by a roll call vote.

Ayes: N. Cuzzone, J. Fennell, A. Honig, T. Noonan, D. Novotny, J. Pruyn, D. Russo, F. Saverino, P. Suess, D. Van Vooren, J. Zay

Nay: None

Absent: S. Greaney, K. Romano

Item 2: To approve the Accounts Payable in the amount of \$2,485,325.00 DWC, \$9,881,000.00 WaterLink (March 2026) subject to submission of all contractually required documentation, for invoices that have not yet been received but have been estimated (Roll Call).

Chairman Zay asked for a motion to approve the accounts payable disbursements, with the estimated accounts payable for March 2026. Commissioner Van Vooren moved, seconded by Commissioner Cuzzone and unanimously approved by a roll call vote.

Ayes: N. Cuzzone, J. Fennell, A. Honig, T. Noonan, D. Novotny, J. Pruyn, D. Russo, F. Saverino, P. Suess, D. Van Vooren, J. Zay

Nay: None

Absent: S. Greaney, K. Romano

X. Chairman's Report

Chairman Zay reminded all Commissioners to file the Statements of Economic Interest and Ethics if they had not yet done so.

A meeting of suburban Mayors was convened to further discuss governance for the source water project and what a successful concept would include. Significant progress was made, and will be further discussed and refined at a meeting next week. The Board will be updated as the concept is further developed; ultimately resulting in an IGA to advance the work and select a program manager.

General Manager May gave a brief update on an underground contractor's event attended by DWC. General Manager May went on to summarize WaterCon 2026 for the Commissioners and a few of the highlights, including presentations by staff and consultants.

General Manager May noted that the Commission is being proactive and thoughtful by introducing emerging technology to improve efficiency, documentation, employee safety, and cost. A DWC track pipe inspection robot has been purchased and is in preliminary testing in the field to document internal conditions of the new WaterLink pipe. A drone operator has been selected for water tower cleaning, which has reduced cost and worked well. Lastly, a camera system has been requisitioned which can be lowered into deep manholes for simple inspections which will reduce inspection time as well as potential impacts to employees due to air quality and climbing/safety harnessing.

XI. Old Business  
No Old Business was offered.

XII. New Business  
No New Business was offered.

XIII. Executive Session

Chairman Zay asked for a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss acquisition of real estate pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5), and to discuss the setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the DuPage Water Commission 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6). Commissioner Russo made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Saverino and unanimously approved by a roll call vote.

Ayes: N. Cuzzone, J. Fennell, A. Honig, T. Noonan, D. Novotny, J. Pruyn, D. Russo, F. Saverino, P. Suess, D. Van Vooren, J. Zay

Nay: None

Absent: S. Greaney, K. Romano

The Commission went into Executive Session at 6:52 PM.

Commissioner Honig moved to come out of Executive Session at 7:10 PM, seconded by Commissioner Russo and unanimously approved by a roll call vote .

Ayes: N. Cuzzone, J. Fennell, A. Honig, T. Noonan, D. Novotny, J. Pruyn, D. Russo, F. Saverino, P. Suess, D. Van Vooren, J. Zay

Nay: None

Absent: S. Greaney, K. Romano

Matters referred from Executive Session

- A. Ordinance O-15-26: An Ordinance Authorizing the Acquisition of Easements by the DuPage Water Commission Over Certain Property for the Purpose of Providing Water to the Village of Montgomery, the Village of Oswego and the United City of Yorkville, Phase III

Chairman Zay asked for a motion to approve An Ordinance Authorizing the Acquisition of Easements by the DuPage Water Commission Over Certain Property for the Purpose of Providing Water to the Village of Montgomery, the Village of Oswego and the United City of Yorkville, Phase III. Commissioner Cuzzone moved, seconded by Commissioner Honig, unanimously approved by a Roll Call vote.

Ayes: N. Cuzzone, J. Fennell, A. Honig, T. Noonan, D. Novotny, J. Pruyn, D. Russo, F. Saverino, P. Suess, D. Van Vooren, J. Zay

Nay: None

Absent: S. Greaney, K. Romano

XIV. Adjournment

Commissioner Russo made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Fennell, unanimously approved by a voice vote. All aye, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:12 PM.