

WESCOM
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Chiefs' Operating Committee

Attendance for January 20, 2023

PRESENT EITHER IN PERSON OR VIA ZOOM:

Bolingbrook Police – Rompa
Braidwood Fire – Jude
Braidwood Police – Lyons
Channahon Police – Casey
Crest Hill Police – Clark
Elwood Fire – Locacius
Homer Fire – Doyle/Bricker
Lockport Fire – F. Blaskey/Rossetto
Lockport Police – Huff
Northwest Homer Fire – Vrba/Fonfara
Plainfield Fire – Stratton
Plainfield Police – Miller
Shorewood Police – Arnold
Troy Fire – Hertzmann
Wilmington Fire – Zlomie
Wilmington Police – Zink

ABSENT:

Channahon Fire
Elwood Police
Minooka Fire
Rockdale Fire

Staff Present:

Executive Director O'Connor
Executive Assistant Tooley
Comptroller Lough
Managers Sommer and Savage
Radio Technician Devine

Public Present:

Chairman Arnold called the January 20, 2023 meeting of the Chiefs' Operating Committee to order at 9:00 a.m. Pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order 2020-07, this meeting was also conducted via zoom-telephone conference.

A roll call was taken as follows:

Bolingbrook Fire – absent
Bolingbrook Police – aye
Braidwood Fire – aye
Braidwood Police – aye
Channahon Fire – absent
Channahon Police – aye
Crest Hill Police – aye

Elwood Fire – aye
Elwood Police – absent
Homer Fire – aye
Lockport Fire – aye
Lockport Police – aye
Minooka Fire – absent
Northwest Homer Fire – aye
Plainfield Fire – aye
Plainfield Police – aye
Rockdale Fire – absent
Shorewood Police – aye
Troy Fire – aye
Wilmington Fire – aye
Wilmington Police – aye

Quorum established.

Matters of the public – none

A motion was made by Chief Stratton, Plainfield Fire to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, seconded by Chief Locacius, Elwood Fire.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Bolingbrook Fire – absent
Bolingbrook Police – aye
Braidwood Fire – aye
Braidwood Police – aye
Channahon Fire – absent
Channahon Police – aye
Crest Hill Police – aye
Elwood Fire – aye
Elwood Police – absent
Homer Fire – aye
Lockport Fire – aye
Lockport Police – aye
Minooka Fire – absent
Northwest Homer Fire – aye
Plainfield Fire – aye
Plainfield Police – aye
Rockdale Fire – absent
Shorewood Police – aye
Troy Fire – aye
Wilmington Fire – aye
Wilmington Police – aye

Motion passed.

Staff Reports –

Executive Director O'Connor: COOP plan issued and reviewed with staff this week, finalizing an annual report, employee handbook changes to present to Personnel Committee.

Comptroller Lough: Budget draft presented for vote, edits will be made for those who choose the circuit breaker, final draft will be presented to Executive Board.

Executive Assistant Tooley: Recruitment strategies.

Manager Sommer: Will County implementing new phone system next week, LCC telecommunicators will be in next Tuesday for their cut-over.

Manager Savage: Hiring/training challenges.

Radio Tech Devine: KMF project items starting to arrive. New radios arriving but with some delay on parts. WESTAC83 and 85 equipment install.

Old Business - Phase 5 Emergency Declarations still in effect.

Staff compensation – Discuss in closed meeting.

New Business – Chief Arnold to appoint Chief Locacius to finance and personnel committees, Chief Miller to membership committee.

Alarm Fee Collection Policy – Discussion on outstanding alarm fee policy for outstanding alarm accounts.

Shift staffing –Reviewed the staffing changes as previously discussed in September 2022. Based on the level of activity and the overtime, recommendation to go to the reduced staffing level every day of the week starting the end of February 2023. Goal to keep overtime at a minimum for our dispatchers. Staff will continue to monitor and adjust accordingly.

2023-2024 Budget – Chief Rompa, balanced budget. **A motion was made by Chief Rompa, Bolingbrook Police to approve and recommend adoption of the proposed 2023-24 budget to the WESCOM Executive Board seconded by Chief Miller, Plainfield Police.**

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Bolingbrook Fire – absent
Bolingbrook Police – aye
Braidwood Fire – aye
Braidwood Police – aye
Channahon Fire – absent
Channahon Police – aye
Crest Hill Police – aye
Elwood Fire – aye
Elwood Police – absent
Homer Fire – aye
Lockport Fire – aye
Lockport Police – aye
Minooka Fire – absent
Northwest Homer Fire – aye
Plainfield Fire – aye
Plainfield Police – aye
Rockdale Fire – absent
Shorewood Police – aye
Troy Fire – aye
Wilmington Fire – aye
Wilmington Police – aye

Motion passed.

Other Business/Sub-Committees:

- Membership Committee – Chief Miller (new Chair)
- Building Committee – Chief Stratton – none
- Technology Committee – Deputy Chief Fonfara – meeting January 24, 2023.
- By-Laws & Rules Committee – none (need new Chair)
- Finance Committee – Chief Hayes – none
- Personnel & Negotiations Committee – Chief Rompa – Report on grievances.

A motion was made by Chief Stratton, Plainfield Fire to enter a closed meeting at 9:32 am per ILCS 5 ILCS 120 Section 2 C for the purposes of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees; labor negotiations; and currently pending litigation seconded by Chief Casey, Channahon Police.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Bolingbrook Fire – absent
Bolingbrook Police – aye
Braidwood Fire – aye
Braidwood Police – aye
Channahon Fire – absent
Channahon Police – aye
Crest Hill Police – aye
Elwood Fire – aye
Elwood Police – absent
Homer Fire – aye
Lockport Fire – aye
Lockport Police – aye
Minooka Fire – absent
Northwest Homer Fire – aye
Plainfield Fire – aye
Plainfield Police – aye
Rockdale Fire – absent
Shorewood Police – aye
Troy Fire – aye
Wilmington Fire – aye
Wilmington Police – aye

Motion passed.

Motion to reconvene to Open meeting at 9:51 am by Chief Rompa, Bolingbrook Police seconded by Chief Hertzmann, Troy Fire.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Bolingbrook Fire – absent
Bolingbrook Police – aye
Braidwood Fire – aye
Braidwood Police – aye
Channahon Fire – absent

Channahon Police – aye
Crest Hill Police – aye
Elwood Fire – aye
Elwood Police – absent
Homer Fire – aye
Lockport Fire – aye
Lockport Police – aye
Minooka Fire – absent
Northwest Homer Fire – aye
Plainfield Fire – aye
Plainfield Police – aye
Rockdale Fire – absent
Shorewood Police – aye
Troy Fire – aye
Wilmington Fire – aye
Wilmington Police – aye

Motion passed.

As a result of closed session, a motion was made by Chief Rompa, Bolingbrook Police to approve the Comptroller position to full-time status seconded by Chief Miller, Plainfield Police.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

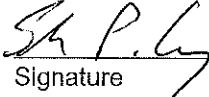
Bolingbrook Fire – absent
Bolingbrook Police – aye
Braidwood Fire – aye
Braidwood Police – aye
Channahon Fire – absent
Channahon Police – aye
Crest Hill Police – aye
Elwood Fire – aye
Elwood Police – absent
Homer Fire – aye
Lockport Fire – aye
Lockport Police – aye
Minooka Fire – absent
Northwest Homer Fire – aye
Plainfield Fire – aye
Plainfield Police – aye
Rockdale Fire – absent
Shorewood Police – aye
Troy Fire – aye
Wilmington Fire – aye
Wilmington Police – aye

Motion passed.

As a result of closed session, a motion was made by Chief Locacius, Elwood Fire to approve the expenditure supplemental Will County grant plan seconded by Chief Casey, Channahon Police.

A motion was made to adjourn at 9:55 am by Chief Stratton, Plainfield Fire seconded by Chief Doyle, Homer Fire, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Signature

02/17/2023

Date

Chief Shane Casey, Secretary
Channahon Police