

**DuPAGE AIRPORT AUTHORITY  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 2026**

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The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the DuPage Airport Authority was convened at the DuPage Flight Center Building, 2700 International Drive, West Chicago, Illinois, Third Floor Conference Room; Wednesday, March 18, 2026. Chairman Puchalski called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and a physical quorum was present for the meeting. Commissioner Ligino-Kubinski and Commissioner Giunti attended the meeting telephonically due to employment purposes.

**Commissioners Present:** Charvat, Davis, Giunti, Hacker, LaMantia, Ledonne, Ligino-Kubinski, Puchalski

**Commissioners Absent:** Chavez

**DuPage Airport Authority Staff Present:** Mark Doles, Executive Director; Patrick Hoard, Director of Finance; Dan Barna; Director of Operations and Facilities; Kristine Klotz, Executive Assistant and Board Liaison; Karin Kietzman, Procurement Manager; Brian DeCoudres, Director of the DuPage Flight Center.

**Others in Attendance:** Dan Pape, CMT; Phil Luetkehans of Luetkehans, Brady, Garner & Armstrong, LLC; Kevin Maczko, West Chicago Fire Department; Erik Ronge, West Chicago Fire Department; Mike Marsch, Turning Point Energy; Gloria Foxman, Turning Point Energy; Steven Kratz; Turning Point Energy.

**Members of the Press:** None

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

Chairman Puchalski asked for a motion of Board approval for Commissioner Giunti and Commissioner Ligino-Kubinski to attend the Board Meeting telephonically. The **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ledonne, and the **motion was seconded** by Commissioner LaMantia. The Board unanimously voted to approve (6-0).

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chairman Puchalski asked for a motion to combine and approve the meeting minutes of the January 21, 2026, Golf Committee Meeting, January 21, 2026; Finance, Budget, & Audit Committee Meeting; January 21, 2026, Capital Development, Leasing, and Customer Fees Committee Meeting; January 21, 2026, Annual and Regular Board Meeting. Commissioner Ledonne made a **MOTION** to combine and approve the minutes from January 21, 2026. The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner Davis and the Board voted unanimously to approve (8-0).

## **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Executive Director Doles reported that operations for February 2026 were strong with a 40% increase compared to the same timeframe as 2025. Year to date operations are up 16.9% totaling approximately 23,000 operations for the first two month of the year. Fuel sales remain consistent with budget expectations. Jet-A fuel sales increased by 5.4% while 100LL fuel sales increased by 30.7% with the total fuel sales reaching approximately 436,000. Executive Director Doles advised that due to the global conflict fuel prices have risen significantly over the past two weeks. Jet-A costs have increased by 64%, while 100LL fuel has risen by 21%.

Executive Director Doles advised that staff collaborated with a design team to develop a 100-year anniversary logo and planning anniversary events are ongoing.

Kimley-Horn is working with staff to update the State of Illinois economic impact study, the last study completed was in 2021. The 2021 study reported 5,500 jobs and \$1.5 billion economic impact. Executive Director Doles advised that staff is working to compile current employment data and salary information from tenants.

Executive Director Doles advised that grant applications have been submitted to the State of Illinois for the fuel tax rebate program. The airport anticipated receiving \$287,000, which is designated to offset the Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting expenses.

Mr. Doles reported that runway pavement repair is scheduled to begin April 1, 2026. One runway will be closed for a period, but both runways will not be closed simultaneously. Board members were reminded that the Statement of Economic Interest and Ethics Training are both due by May 1, 2026.

Mr. Doles advised the Board that the Public Broadcasting Service expressed interest in featuring DuPage Airport in an educational segment. The program could potentially reach millions of households. Mr. Doles explained that the five-to-six-minute corporate profile segment along with a 30 to 60 second clip that would air on various networks. Mr. Doles discussed the proposed cost, the ownership of the footage, the ability to highlight airport operations, and educational programs. A sample video was presented to the Board of Commissioners.

Patrick Hoard introduced Michelle Wright and Eric Mundt to provide a 2026 Prairie Landing overview. Mr. Hoard advised that demand for golf remains strong and in comparison, from 2014 21,000 rounds were played in 2024, and in the 2025 season almost 30,000 rounds played. Michelle Wright advised that 72 golf outings have been scheduled, five weddings and 18 private events. Ms. Wright expects strong attendance for Easter and Mother's Day events, and the golf rates will be increasing by five dollars. Eric Mundt reported that the irrigation system completed in 2024 has been functioning properly. The current project to rehabilitate and renovate the seawall between the 9<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> holes is ongoing, and the course is expected to open in early April. Mr. Mundt advised that the new golf carts equipped with upgraded GPS technology will be introduced this season.

## REVIEW OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Patrick Hoard reviewed the Financial Statements for February 206 and discussion followed.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEES

### **Finance, Budget, and Audit Committee:**

Commissioner Ledonne reported at all items successfully passed.

### **Capital Development, Leasing, and Customer Fees Committee:**

Commissioner Davis advised the committee did meet and all items passed unanimously.

### **Internal Policy and Compliance Committee:**

Chairman Puchalski advised that the Committee did not meet, and no report was given.

### **Golf Committee:**

Commissioner Giunti advised that the Committee did not meet, and no report was given.

### **DuPage Business Center:**

Chairman Puchalski advised that there was no report given.

## NEW BUSINESS

### **Proposed Resolution 2026-2744; Authorizing the Procurement of One (1) 6x6 HRET Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Vehicle from the Sourcewell Joint Purchasing Contract.**

*Approves the procurement of one (1) Oshkosh Striker 6x6 HRET Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Vehicle for a total cost of \$1,455,414.22 F.O.B. DuPage Airport, which includes a 4% owner's contingency.*

Chairman Puchalski read into record Proposed Resolution 2026-2744. A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ledonne to approve Proposed Resolution 2026-2744; Authorizing the Procurement of One (1) 6x6 HRET Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Vehicle from the Sourcewell Joint Purchasing Contract. The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner Charvat. There was no further discussion, and the Board voted unanimously to approve (8-0).

### **Proposed Resolution 2026-2745; Authorizing the Procurement of Seven (7) Airfield Lighting Constant Current Regulators from the Sourcewell Joint Purchasing Contract.**

*Approves the procurement of three (3) 10kW/480V, three (3) 15kW/480V, and one (1) 30kW/480V constant current regulators for a total cost of \$74,000.48 F.O.B. DuPage Airport.*

Chairman Puchalski read into record Proposed Resolution 2026-2745. A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ledonne to approve Proposed Resolution 2026-2745; Authorizing the Procurement of Seven (7) Airfield Lighting Constant Current Regulators from the Sourcewell Joint Purchasing Contract. The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner Davis. There was no further discussion, and the Board voted unanimously to approve (8-0).

### **Proposed Resolution 2026-2746; Award of Contract to Bondtech Corporation for the Procurement of One (1) Regulated Waste Autoclave.**

*Approves the procurement of one (1) 2026 Bondtech Corporation Model BTT2.5-3x3.5 autoclave with a one (1) year service and data hosting agreement for a total cost of \$212,180 F.O.B. DuPage Airport.*

Chairman Puchalski read into record Proposed Resolution 2026-2746. A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ledonne to approve Proposed Resolution 2026-2746; Award of Contract to Bondtech Corporation for the Procurement of One (1) Regulated Waste Autoclave. The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner Davis. There was no further discussion, and the Board voted unanimously to approve (8-0).

**Proposed Resolution 2026-2747; Award of Contract to Consolidated Flooring of Chicago, LLC for Flight School Carpet Replacement.**

*Approves a contract for carpet and wall base replacement for a total cost not-to-exceed \$54,090.85 which includes a 10% owners' contingency.*

Chairman Puchalski read into record Proposed Resolution 2026-2747. A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ledonne to approve Proposed Resolution 2026-2747; Award of Contract to Consolidated Flooring of Chicago, LLC for Flight School Carpet Replacement. The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner Davis. There was no further discussion, and the Board voted unanimously to approve (8-0).

**Proposed Resolution 2026-2748; Award of Contract to Berglund Construction Company for Façade Renovations at the Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Station, Flight Center, Maintenance Building and Government Center.**

*Approves a contract for façade renovations at the Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Station, Flight Center, Maintenance Building, and Government Center for a total cost not-to-exceed \$558,900 which includes a 15% owners' contingency.*

Chairman Puchalski read into record Proposed Resolution 2026-2748. A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ledonne to approve Proposed Resolution 2026-2748; Proposed Resolution 2026-2748; Award of Contract to Berglund Construction Company for Façade Renovations at the Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Station, Flight Center, Maintenance Building and Government Center. The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner Davis. There was no further discussion, and the Board voted unanimously to approve (8-0).

**Proposed Resolution 2026-2749; Authorizing the Execution of Design and Construction Phase Task Order No. 18 with Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc. for the Project: Mill and Overlay Landside Pavements.**

*Approves design and construction phase engineering services for the Project: Mill and Overlay Landside Pavements for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$55,000.*

Chairman Puchalski read into record Proposed Resolution 2026-2749. A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ledonne to approve Proposed Resolution 2026-2749; Proposed Resolution 2026-2749; Authorizing the Execution of Design and Construction Phase Task Order No. 18 with Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc. for the Project: Mill and Overlay Landside Pavements. The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner Davis. There was no further discussion, and the Board voted unanimously to approve (8-0).

**Proposed Resolution 2026-2750; Authorizing the Execution of a Retainer Agreement with Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc. for General Engineering Consultant Services.**

*Approves a three (3) year retainer agreement, subject to two (2) one (1) year extensions at the sole discretion of the Authority for engineering consulting services.*

Chairman Puchalski read into record Proposed Resolution 2026-2750. A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ledonne to approve Proposed Resolution 2026-2750; Proposed Resolution 2026-2750; Authorizing the Execution of a Retainer Agreement with Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc. for General Engineering Consultant Services. The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner Davis. There was no further discussion, and the Board voted unanimously to approve (8-0).

**RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner LaMantia to recess to Executive Session for the discussion of the Setting of a Price for Sale or Lease of Property owned by the DuPage Airport Authority, and Semi-Annual Review of Lawfully Closed Executive Session Minutes. The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner Ledonne and was passed unanimously by roll call vote (8-0). The Regular Board was recessed to Executive Session at 4:36 p.m. and was reconvened at 4:58 p.m. Upon the roll call, a quorum was present for the remainder of the Regular Board Meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS**

NONE

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**Proposed Resolution 2026-2751; Disclosure of Executive Session Minutes.**

*Approves disclosure of Executive Session Minutes that the Board of Commissioners has determined are no longer necessary to keep confidential.*

Chairman Puchalski read into record Proposed Resolution 2026-2751. A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ledonne to approve Proposed Resolution 2026-2751; Disclosure of Executive Session Minutes. The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner Davis. There was no further discussion and the motion and the Board voted unanimously to approve (8-0).

**Proposed Resolution 2026-2752; Authorizing the Execution of an Option Agreement for Ground Lease with BAP Power LLC D/B/A Cenergy Power.**

*Authorizes the execution of an Option Agreement for the option to lease property for the development of a solar facility on undevelopable land.*

Chairman Puchalski read into record Proposed Resolution 2026-2752. A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Davis to approve Proposed Resolution 2026-2752; Authorizing the Execution of an Option Agreement for Ground Lease with BAP Power LLC D/B/A Cenergy Power. The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner Ledonne. There was no further discussion and the motion and the Board voted unanimously to approve (8-0).

**Proposed Resolution 2026-2753; Authorizing the Execution of an Option and Lease Agreement with TPE IL Solar Holdings, LLC (Kress Road – DU200)**

*Authorizes the execution of an Option and Lease Agreement for the option to lease approximately 3.65 acres of property for the development of a battery storage energy system.* Chairman Puchalski read into record Proposed Resolution 2026-2753. A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ledonne to approve Proposed Resolution 2026-2753; Authorizing the Execution of an Option and Lease Agreement with TPE IL Solar Holdings, LLC (Kress Road – DU200). The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner Davis. Commissioner Ledonne asked Mike Marsch of turning Point Energy for clarification of potential environmental, hazardous and chemical risks. After a lengthy discussion, Mr. Marsch was advised to have a high-level engineering presentation for the Board of Commissioners. There was no further discussion, and the Board voted unanimously to approve (8-0).

**Proposed Resolution 2026-2754; Authorizing the Execution of an Option and Lease Agreement TPE IL Solar Holdings, LLC (Fabyan Parkway – DU199)**

*Authorizes the execution of an Option and Lease Agreement for the option to lease approximately 2.0 acres of property for the development of a battery storage energy system.* Chairman Puchalski read into record Proposed Resolution 2026-2754. A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ledonne to approve Proposed Resolution 2026-2754; Authorizing the Execution of an Option and Lease Agreement TPE IL Solar Holdings, LLC (Fabyan Parkway – DU199). The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner Davis. There was no further discussion and the motion and the Board voted unanimously to approve (8-0).

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ledonne to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting of the DuPage Airport Authority Board of Commissioners. The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner Davis and was passed unanimously by voice vote; the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

  
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Donald E. Puchalski, Chairman

(ATTEST)

  
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Karyn M. Charvat, Secretary