

**DuPAGE AIRPORT AUTHORITY
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 2026**

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, May 20, 2026. Chairman Puchalski called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and a physical quorum was present for the meeting. Commissioner Charvat and Commissioner Giunti attended the meeting telephonically due to employment purposes.

Commissioners Present: Chavez, Charvat, Davis, Giunti, Hacker, LaMantia, Ledonne, Liginokubinski, Puchalski

Commissioners Absent: None

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; Becky Taylor, Senior Accountant.

Others in Attendance: Dan Pape, CMT; Phil Luetkehans of Luetkehans, Brady, Garner & Armstrong, LLC; Nick Bava, Sikich LLC.

Members of the Press: None

Commissioner Ledonne asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of Fred Bucholz. Mr. Bucholz was a former Recorder for DuPage County and worked alongside Commissioner Ledonne and Chairman Puchalski.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

Chairman Puchalski asked for a motion of Board approval for Commissioner Giunti and Commissioner Charvat to attend the Board Meeting telephonically, as they were unable to attend due to employment responsibilities. The **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ledonne, and the **motion was seconded** by Commissioner LaMantia. The Board unanimously voted to approve (7-0).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Puchalski asked for a motion to combine and approve the meeting minutes of the March 18, 2026, Finance, Budget, & Audit Committee Meeting; March 18, 2026, Capital Development, Leasing, and Customer Fees Committee Meeting; March 18, 2026, Regular Board Meeting. Commissioner Davis made a **MOTION** to combine and approve the minutes from March 18, 2026. The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner Ledonne and the Board voted unanimously to approve (9-0).

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Doles reported that the operational data included in the Board packet was preliminary at the time of distribution. Final April 2026 figures indicate that aircraft operations increased by 32% compared to April 2025. Year-to-date operations are up 7.9%, totaling approximately 49,000 operations. Mr. Doles noted that DuPage Airport remains the third busiest airport in Illinois, behind O'Hare International Airport with approximately 288,000 operations and Midway International Airport with approximately 62,300 operations. The next closest regional airport in terms of operations is St. Louis Downtown Airport, reporting approximately 38,300 operations.

Mr. Doles advised that fuel sales remained strong during April. Jet-A fuel sales increased by 6.7%, while 100LL fuel sales experienced a slight decline. Through April 2026, approximately 930,000 gallons of fuel have been sold.

Mr. Doles reported that Prairie Landing Golf Club experienced a slower start to the season due to wet and cold weather conditions, which negatively impacted the number of rounds played. Through April, 1,776 rounds were played in 2026 compared to 2,270 rounds during the same period in 2025.

Mr. Doles advised that fuel costs continue to rise as a result of the ongoing conflict in the Middle East. The Airport's cost to purchase 100LL fuel has increased by 63%, while Jet A fuel costs have increased by 83%. Mr. Doles noted that rising fuel costs are beginning to negatively impact profit margins.

Executive Director Doles reported that the Airport received fuel tax proceeds from the State of Illinois totaling \$287,233.45. These funds will be utilized to offset Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting expenses.

Mr. Doles provided an update on ongoing airfield pavement maintenance projects. Pavement repairs on Runway 2L/20R were scheduled for completion this evening. Panel replacement work has also continued, with grooving anticipated to be completed within the next 30 days. He commended the contractor, Martam Construction, for its excellent work on the project.

Executive Director Doles advised that the Airport received reimbursement of tariff related costs associated with the purchase of the DuPage Flight Center de-icing vehicle. Mr. Doles further reported that the new golf carts for Prairie Landing Golf Club have been delivered and are now in service. Mr. Doles reminded the Board of upcoming events, including the Back-to-School Event scheduled for August 6, 2026, and the Red Tail Ball scheduled for August 8, 2026.

REVIEW OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Patrick Hoard reviewed the Financial Statements for April 2026 and discussion followed.

Mr. Nick Bava, Partner with Sikich LLP, introduced himself and thanked the Board of Commissioners for the opportunity to present the results of the DuPage Airport Authority's 2025 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report. Mr. Bava reported that Sikich LLP issued an

independent unmodified opinion on the Authority's financial statements as of December 31, 2025. He explained that an unmodified opinion represents the highest level of assurance an auditor can provide and is considered a clean audit opinion. Mr. Bava also reviewed the Illinois Grant Accountability and Transparency compliance advising that the Authority expended approximately \$1.4 million of federal grant funds during 2025. As a result of the federal expenditure due to the Airport Improvement Program, additional compliance testing was required. He reported that no findings, deficiencies, or instances of noncompliance were identified that would require disclosure. Mr. Bava expressed his appreciation to the Authority's accounting staff for their cooperation and assistance throughout the audit process. He also advised that the completed audit must be filed with the State of Illinois by the end of June. There were no questions from the Board. The Board of Commissioners thanked Mr. Bava for his presentation and the audited reports.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

Finance, Budget, and Audit Committee:

Commissioner Ledonne reported at all items were approved and recommended for Board approval by the committee.

Capital Development, Leasing, and Customer Fees Committee:

Commissioner Davis advised that the committee did meet all items were approved and recommended for Board consideration.

Internal Policy and Compliance Committee:

Commissioner Chavez advised that the Committee did not meet.

Golf Committee:

Commissioner Giunti advised that the Committee did not meet.

DuPage Business Center:

No report given.

NEW BUSINESS

Proposed Resolution 2026-2755; Authorizing the execution of a Consulting Agreement with Mercury Public Affairs LLC for Crisis Management, Marketing and Communication Services.

Approves a three (3) year Consulting Agreement, not-to-exceed \$50,400 annual compensation, with two, one (1) year options.

Chairman Puchalski read into record Proposed Resolution 2026-2755. A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ledonne to approve Proposed Resolution 2026-2755; Authorizing the execution of a Consulting Agreement with Mercury Public Affairs LLC for Crisis Management, Marketing and Communication Services. The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner Davis. There was no further discussion and the Board voted unanimously to approve (9-0).

Proposed Resolution 2026-2756; Award of Contract to GMSTEK, LLC for DuPage Flight Center Point-of-Sale Software System Upgrades.

Approves a five (5) year point-of-sale software system agreement for a total cost not-to-exceed \$186,489.22.

Chairman Puchalski read into record Proposed Resolution 2026-2756. A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ledonne to approve Proposed Resolution 2026-2756; Award of Contract to GMSTEK, LLC for DuPage Flight Center Point-of-Sale Software System Upgrades. The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner Davis. There was no further discussion and the Board voted unanimously to approve (9-0).

Proposed Ordinance 2026-410; An Ordinance of the DuPage Airport Authority Amending Fees for Transient Customers on the Flight Center Ramp.

Approves an Ordinance revising the fees associated with ramp fees for transient customers at DuPage Airport effective July 1, 2026.

Chairman Puchalski read into record Proposed Resolution 2026-410. A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ledonne to approve Proposed Ordinance 2026-410; An Ordinance of the DuPage Airport Authority Amending Fees for Transient Customers on the Flight Center Ramp. The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner Davis. There was no further discussion and the motion passed by roll call vote (9-0).

Proposed Ordinance 2026-411; An Ordinance Providing for the Revision of a Fee to Users in Relation to the use of U.S. Customs Service at DuPage Airport.

Approves an Ordinance revising the fees associated with the use of User-Fee U.S. Customs Service at DuPage Airport effective July 1, 2026.

Chairman Puchalski read into record Proposed Ordinance 2026-411. A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ledonne to approve Proposed Ordinance 2026-411; An Ordinance Providing for the Revision of a Fee to Users in Relation to the use of U.S. Customs Service at DuPage Airport. The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner Ligino-Kubinski. There was no further discussion and the motion passed by roll call vote (9-0).

Proposed Resolution 2026-2757; Authorizing a One (1) Year Extension to the Cash Farm Lease with Galusha Farm, LLC.

Approves a one (1) year Cash Farm Lease extension for 120 acres with annual rent of \$18,000.

Chairman Puchalski read into record Proposed Resolution 2026-2757. A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ledonne to approve Resolution 2026-2757; Authorizing a One (1) Year Extension to the Cash Farm Lease with Galusha Farm, LLC. The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner Ligino-Kubinski. There was no further discussion and the Board voted unanimously to approve (9-0).

Proposed Resolution 2026-2758; Award of Contract to Geneva Construction Company LLC for Mill and Overlay Parking Lots and Roadways.

Approves a contract for mill and overlay of parking lots and roadways for a total cost not-to-exceed \$275,293.76 which includes a 10% owners' contingency.

Chairman Puchalski read into record Proposed Resolution 2026-2758. A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ledonne to approve Proposed Resolution 2026-2758; Award of Contract to Geneva Construction Company LLC for Mill and Overlay Parking Lots and Roadways. The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner LaMantia. There was no further discussion and the Board voted unanimously to approve (9-0).

Proposed Resolution 2026-2759; Award of Contract to TNR Mechanical LLC for HVAC Renovations Phase II.

Approves a contract for HVAC renovations at five locations for a total cost not-to-exceed \$266,090 which includes a 10% owners' contingency.

Chairman Puchalski read into record Proposed Resolution 2026-2759. A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ledonne to approve Proposed Resolution 2026-2759; Award of Contract to TNR Mechanical LLC for HVAC Renovations Phase II. The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner Davis. There was no further discussion and the Board voted unanimously to approve (9-0).

Proposed Resolution 2026-2760; Award of Contract to L&R Labor LLC, DBA Exmoor Construction for Restroom and Break Room Renovations.

Approves a contract for restroom renovations at the Government Center and break room renovations at the DuPage Flight Center for a total cost not-to-exceed \$294,690 which includes a 10% owners' contingency.

Chairman Puchalski read into record Proposed Resolution 2026-2760. A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ledonne to approve Proposed Resolution 2026-2760; Award of Contract to L&R Labor LLC, DBA Exmoor Construction for Restroom and Break Room Renovations. The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner Davis. There was no further discussion and the Board voted unanimously to approve (9-0).

Proposed Resolution 2026-2761; Authorizing the Execution of a Design-Build Contract with Wight & Company for Tenant Kitchen Renovations and Pedestrian Door Replacement.

Approves a design-build contract for tenant kitchen improvements and pedestrian door replacement at multiple facilities for a total cost not-to-exceed \$104,500 which includes a 15% design-builder contingency.

Chairman Puchalski read into record Proposed Resolution 2026-2761. A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ledonne to approve Proposed Resolution 2026-2761; Authorizing the Execution of a Design-Build Contract with Wight & Company for Tenant Kitchen Renovations and Pedestrian Door Replacement. The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner Davis. There was no further discussion and the Board voted unanimously to approve (9-0).

Proposed Resolution 2026-2762; Authorizing the Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the State of Illinois Department of Transportation, Division of Aeronautics for Participation in the Airport Improvement Program Project Known as: Construct Service Road: Flight Center to South Apron - DPA-5249.

Approves the participation in an Airport Improvement Program Project known as: Construct Service Road; Flight Center to South Apron and release of a local share project participation payment in an amount not-to-exceed \$16,800.

Chairman Puchalski read into record Proposed Resolution 2026-2762. A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ledonne to approve Proposed Resolution 2026-2762; Authorizing the Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the State of Illinois Department of Transportation, Division of Aeronautics for Participation in the Airport Improvement Program Project Known as: Construct Service Road: Flight Center to South Apron - DPA-5249. The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner Davis. There was no further discussion and the Board voted unanimously to approve (9-0).

Proposed Resolution 2026-2763; Authorizing the Execution of a Construction Phase Engineering Services Agreement with Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc. for the Airport Improvement Project Known as: Construct Service Road: Flight Center to South Apron - DPA-5249.

Approves construction phase engineering for the Airport Improvement Program Project known as: Construct Service Road; Flight Center to South Apron for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$135,000. 97.5% reimbursement from Federal and State funding anticipated.

Chairman Puchalski read into record Proposed Resolution 2026-2763. A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ledonne to approve Proposed Resolution 2026-2763; Authorizing the Execution of a Construction Phase Engineering Services Agreement with Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc. for the Airport Improvement Project Known as: Construct Service Road: Flight Center to South Apron - DPA-5249. The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner Davis. There was no further discussion and the Board voted unanimously to approve (9-0).

Proposed Resolution 2026-2764; Authorizing the Execution of a Non-Exclusive Temporary Construction Easement Between the DuPage Airport Authority and Commonwealth Edison for the Property Located Adjacent to Kress Road.

Chairman Puchalski read into record Proposed Resolution 2026-2764. A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ledonne to approve Proposed Resolution 2026-2764; Authorizing the Execution of a Non-Exclusive Temporary Construction Easement Between the DuPage Airport Authority and Commonwealth Edison for the Property Located Adjacent to Kress Road. The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner LaMantia. There was no further discussion and the Board voted unanimously to approve (9-0).

Proposed Resolution 2026-2765; Authorizing the Execution of a Non-Exclusive Utility Easement Between the DuPage Airport Authority and Commonwealth Edison for the Property Located Adjacent to Kress Road.

Chairman Puchalski read into record Proposed Resolution 2026-2765. A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ledonne to approve Proposed Resolution 2026-2765; Authorizing the Execution of a Non-Exclusive Utility Easement Between the DuPage Airport Authority and Commonwealth Edison for the Property Located Adjacent to Kress Road. The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner Davis. There was no further discussion and the Board voted unanimously to approve (9-0).

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive Session did not occur.

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

OTHER BUSINESS

NONE

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Davis to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting of the DuPage Airport Authority Board of Commissioners. The **motion was seconded** by Commissioner Ledonne and was passed unanimously by voice vote; the meeting was adjourned at 4:23 p.m.

(ATTEST)



Karyn M. Charvat, Secretary



Donald E. Puchalski, Chairman
Vice Chairman
