



Polk County Joint 911 Service Board

Metro Interoperability Committee Meeting July 2026 Minutes

Meeting Date/Time:

Thursday, July 23, 2026
10:30

Location:

Polk County EMA
1907 Carpenter Ave.
Des Moines, IA 50314

Virtual Option:

[Webex Meeting Link](#)
Meeting Password: sDxePEa8M98
In-Person Attendance Preferred

I. Roll Call & Introductions – * indicates virtual attendee

A. Members

	Des Moines PD	Polk County SO	Westcom
Frontline Dispatcher	☐ Vacant	☐ Vacant	☐ Vacant
PSAP Leadership	☒ Brad Button	☒ Nick Brockman	☒ Rob Dehnert*
Operational FD End User	☐ Devon Sadler	☒ Rob Chiappano*	☒ Tomme Tysdal*
Operational LE End User	☐ Dave Ness	☐ Mark Mohr	☒ Pete Roth*
Operational EMS User	☐ Dan Gilliatt	☐ Lance Routson	☐ Mark McCulloch
Technical Advisor	☐ Alex Begel	☐ Chris Brodeur	☒ Austin Taffae*
Member-at-Large	☐ Dani Lisk	☐ Brandon Bracelin	☐ Craig Leu

B. Additional Technical Experts & Advisors

☒ Haley Nichols, Iowa DPS	☐ Curtis Pion, PCSO	☐ Mike Patras, DMPD
☐ Chad Roberts, Iowa DPS	☐ Kevin Schneider, PCSO	☒ Hannah Short, UnityPoint
☒ Joshua Duden, Iowa DPS	☒ Troy Cory*, Ankeny FD	☐ Mark DeRee, UnityPoint
☒ Matt Lehman*, WDM Fire	☐ Dave Lockard, DMPD	☐ Brian Albright, ISF

C. EMA Staff

☐ AJ Mumm	☒ Cameron Stufflebeam	☐ Laura Kacer
☐ Dutch Geisinger	☐ Brett McIntyre	☒ Lynn Tazzioli

D. Guests and other Attendees

☒ Aubyn Giampolo*, Westcom

II. Approved Agenda & Previous Meeting Minutes – [June 25, 2026](#)

III. Old Business

A. ICS-205

1. Iowa State Fair

- Line 11 was updated to specify the talkaround is on their trunked system and is only used for the parade route. No other changes were requested. Plan is approved as distributed. ICS-205 form is available in [DLAN](#) (password protected).



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2. USA Triathlon

- a. No movement on this communications plan yet.

3. 2027 Air Show

- a. The 911 Coordinator attended the air show in Sioux Falls and met with their local emergency management to learn more about their communications plan. The information learned will be brought to the next air show JEAP meeting in August and applied to our communications plan.

B. Metro Repeater Project

- 1. This idea is still on hold. The August meeting is canceled; we will reassess again next month.

C. Expanding Encryption at the Subregional Level

- 1. An email with our proposal was sent to the operations committee on July 15 by Dave Lockard. The next meeting is August 14. The proper process according to ISICS standards is to submit this to the ISICIS board for consideration; proposals are then forwarded to the proper committees for review. SWIC Nichols will reach out to operations committee chair for a copy of the email.

IV. Program/Project Updates & Reports

A. CAD Improvement Project

1. The Authority Working Group

- a. The Authority Working Group had a meeting on July 16. During the meeting, it was shared that we are pausing CAD Hub testing until September while Des Moines finishes tasks related to their CAD upgrade and recreation of a test environment.

B. Alert Iowa

- 1. Dallas and Polk County are working to remove the city-specific opt in lists in favor of one all-encompassing public safety opt in list. A plan is in place to notify current users on these lists that they will have to opt in to the public safety opt in list to continue receiving messages. Because of the opt in nature of the system, they cannot be moved by us or the vendor. WEAs are still available and can be sent to a wider audience.



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C. ISICS

1. Everything is running smoothly for RAGBRAI. There are some trainings coming up but the dates are yet to be determined. SWIC Nichols will provide this information when she has it.

V. Interoperability Incidents & Opportunities

- A. No issues with interoperability were brought up related to the flooding.

VI. Upcoming Training Opportunities

- A. [G2300: Intermediate Emergency Operations Center Functions](#) – July 29-31, Dallas County EOC
- B. [HSEM PSAP Leadership Training](#) – November 18, 2026, JFHQ
- C. [ICS 300](#) – September 23-25, 2026, Polk County EOC
- D. [ICS 400](#) – November 4-5, 2026, Polk County EOC

VII. Open Discussion

- A. CivicPlus Transition

1. Polk County has transitioned its meeting agenda and minutes platform to CivicPlus. Future Metro Interop agendas, agenda attachments, and minutes will be distributed from CivicPlus. Email notifications will come from this platform when items are posted rather than DLAN. 911 Coordinator will continue to attach meeting materials to the calendar invites.

VIII. 2026 Meetings

~~Thursday, July 23, 2026 at 10:30~~

Thursday, August 27, 2026 at 10:30

Thursday, September 24, 2026 at 10:30

Thursday, October 22, 2026 at 10:30

Thursday, November 26, 2026 at 10:30*

Thursday, December 24, 2026 at 10:30*

IX. Adjourn – meeting was adjourned at 10:46.

Attested by:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "L. Tazzioli", written over a horizontal line.

Lynn Tazzioli, 911 Coordinator

July 29, 2026