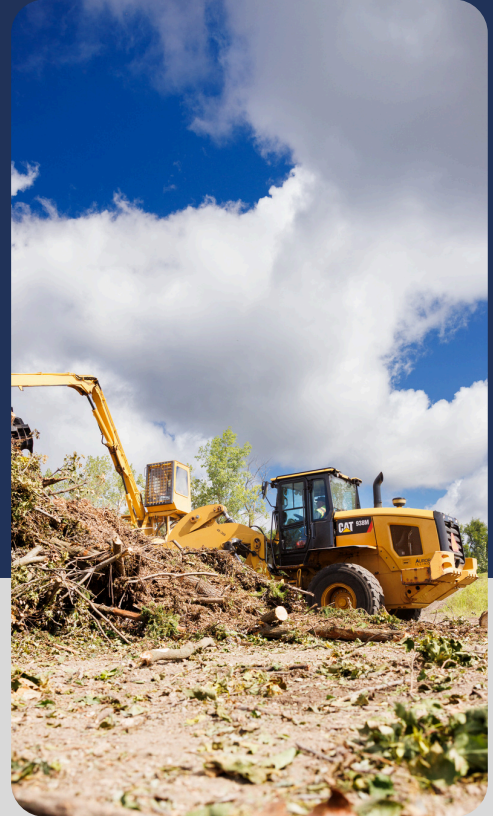
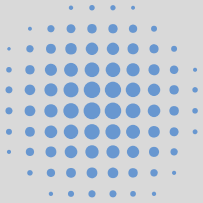




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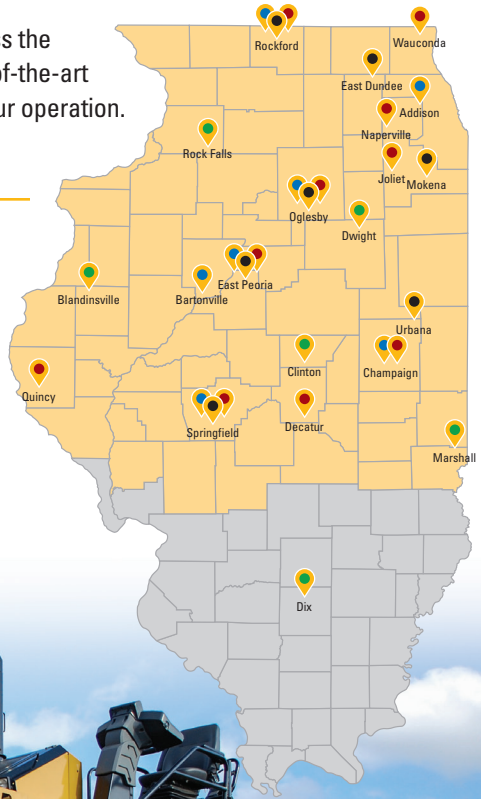
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Tuesday, October 21

Time	Event
11:00 a.m.	Conference Registration
11:45 a.m.	President's Welcome and Vendor Introductions Vince Kilcullen, IPWMAN President
12:00 p.m.	Keynote Address Ted Berger, IEMA-OHS Director
1:00 p.m.	IPWMAN Membership Meeting
2:00 p.m.	Break
2:15 p.m.	Live Line Demo – Electrical Safety Steve Hancock, Live Line Demo Owner
5:15 p.m.	Reception and Washers Tournament

Wednesday, October 22

Time	Event
8:00 a.m.	Break Out Session 1
9:15 a.m.	Break Out Session 2
10:30 a.m.	Break Out Session 3
11:45 a.m.	Break Out Session 4

Schedule of Events



Breakout Session Schedule

Wednesday, October 22

Session 1	8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Room	Session Title
Brickyard 1	IRMA - OHSA is here, are you ready?
Brickyard 2	IPWMAN 101
Brickyard 3	Storm Anxiety: Putting Power Over Fear
Brickyard 4	Floor Surveillance Tools
Brickyard 5	CDL Training In-house: A Guide For Local Agencies

Session 2	9:15 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.
Room	Session Title
Brickyard 1	Building the Future: Designing Innovative Public Works Training Programs that Deliver Results
Brickyard 2	IPWMAN Forms
Brickyard 3	Flood Inundation Mapping
Brickyard 4	Coal City 2015: The Largest IPWMAN Deployment and a Decade of Recovery
Brickyard 5	Early Risk Mitigation Techniques in Urban Forestry

Schedule of Events



Breakout Session Schedule

Wednesday, October 22

Session 3	10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Room	Session Title
Brickyard 1	IRMA - Transforming Safety Committees
Brickyard 2	IPWMAN 202
Brickyard 3	Independence Day Parade Mass Casualty Shooting Incident Response
Brickyard 4	Debris Management GIS Workflow
Brickyard 5	Tree Risk and Pruning

Session 4	11:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.
Room	Session Title
Brickyard 1	IRMA - Incident Response Fundamentals
Brickyard 2	A Hands-on Guide to Emergency Management for Public Works Agencies
Brickyard 3	Rail Safety Education
Brickyard 4	IPSI/MPSI/Illinois Road Scholar
Brickyard 5	Tree Reforestation

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Conference Presentations



Tuesday, October 21

11:00 – 11:45 AM

Conference Registration
Prefuntion Area

11:45 – 12:00 PM

Presidents Welcome and Vendor Introductions
Vince Kilcullen
Brickyard 1 & 2

12:00 – 1:00 PM

Keynote Address
Ted Berger
Brickyard 1 & 2

Emergency Management focus

1:00 – 2:00 PM

IPWMAN General Membership Meeting
Brickyard 1 & 2

2:00 - 2:15 PM

Break and Snack
Prefuntion Area

2:15 – 5:15 PM

Live Line Demo - Electric Safety
Steve Hancock
Brickyard 4 & 5

Electric Safety - from A-Z

5:15 – 9:00 PM

Reception and Washers Tournament
Prefuntion Area

Conference Presentations



Wednesday, October 22

8-9:00 AM Breakout Session 1

IRMA – OSHA is here, are you ready?

Frankie Giannetti

Brickyard 1

OSHA is Here, Are You Ready? - Through this presentation, attendees will better understand OSHA compliance as public sector employers and the inspection process. Includes OSHA applicability to public sector employers, Employer and employee rights and responsibilities, what to expect before, during, and after an OSHA inspection, and how to prepare for an inspection before it begins.

IPWMAN 101

Mark Runyon

Brickyard 2

Learn when and how to request assistance, call the center, and use the website and forms—perfect for those unfamiliar with the process.

Storm Anxiety: Putting Power over Fear

Rebekka Copple & Ed Shimon

Brickyard 3

For those who have nervousness or worries when it comes to the weather, learn how to prepare for weather, its uncertainties, and what resources are available for putting power over the fear from the NWS! Even if you don't have any weather worries, this will be very educational. Maybe you can help someone overcome their fears!

Flood Surveillance Tools

Terra McParland

Brickyard 4

The Flood Surveillance Program at the Office of Water Resources provides several flood resources, tools and website to help update statewide and community leaders, engineers and planners about the status of flooding in the state. Ms. McParland will highlight existing and newly developed tools that are available for the audience to use to help with planning, response and mitigation efforts related to flooding.

Conference Presentations



CDL Training In-House: A Guide for Local Agencies

Lisa Godfrey

Brickyard 5

In this session, Lisa Godfrey will provide an overview of the CDL Theory training offered through the Technology Transfer Center. She will also explain the steps for registering your agency in the Training Provider Registry, enabling your staff to deliver Behind-the-Wheel training internally.

9:15-10:15 AM Breakout Session 2

Building the Future: Designing Innovative Public Works Training Programs that Deliver Results

Jill Ramaker

Brickyard 1

This engaging one-hour session will guide public works leaders through the process of creating forward-thinking training programs that address evolving community needs, integrate emerging technologies, and build workforce capacity. Participants will learn how to assess training gaps, align learning objectives with operational priorities, and incorporate hands-on, scenario-based approaches that seek to boost engagement and retention. Drawing on best practices from across public safety and municipal sectors, this lecture will explore strategies for fostering cross-department collaboration, securing stakeholder buy-in, and leveraging data to demonstrate impact - equipping leaders with practical tools to develop training programs that are relevant, sustainable, and transformative.

IPWMAN Forms

Mark Runyon

Brickyard 2

"If it's not documented, it didn't happen." This session covers essential forms used by requesting and responding agencies to track responders, equipment, hours, and support reimbursement efforts.



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Conference Presentations



Flood Inundation Mapping Update

Mike Bardou and Ed Shimon

Brickyard 3

This session will provide an overview of new flood inundation mapping services from the National Weather Service.

Coal City 2015: The Largest IPWMAN Deployment and a Decade of Recovery

Chris Drey & Matt Fritz

Brickyard 4

On June 22, 2015, an EF-3 tornado struck Coal City, Illinois, triggering the largest deployment in the history of the Illinois Public Works Mutual Aid Network (IPWMAN). More than 20 municipalities and 120+ trucks mobilized daily in a coordinated "Shock & Awe" debris removal campaign. This session pairs the operational perspective of IPWMAN with Coal City's leadership experience, highlighting immediate response, executive communication, long-term recovery, and the lessons learned a decade later that can guide communities in preparing for and managing future disasters.

Early Risk Mitigation Techniques in Urban Forestry

Aidden Tapia

Brickyard 5

It is well documented that trees present a wealth of benefits to the urban environment, but they can present risk once mature. This talk will present many solutions focused on the initial planting and management process to mitigate risk long-term: proper site and species selection, proper planting, and tree inventories.

10:15-10:30 AM Break and Snack

Prefuntion Area

Conference Presentations



10:30-11:30 AM Breakout Session 3

IRMA – Transforming Safety Committees

Frankie Giannetti

Brickyard 1

Transforming Safety Committees: Turning Reaction into Prevention with Proactive Risk Management - This course helps participants distinguish between quick fixes and long-term solutions by strengthening how incident investigation and post-incident analysis is utilized. Course covers how to build effective safety committees and create action plans that support a proactive safety culture.

IPWMAN 202

Mark Runyon

Brickyard 2

What do you do once help arrives? Learn how to organize incoming resources, communicate goals, and reduce downtime in your community.

Independence Day Parade Mass Casualty Shooting Incident Response

Anton Galati

Brickyard 3

Lesson learned and successes

Debris Management GIS Work Flow

Brent Thomas

Brickyard 4

When disaster-related debris presents a threat to public health and safety, a community may act to negate the threat and ensure its economic recovery. In the immediate aftermath of an incident, the speed at which debris can be cleared from roads determines how quickly life safety resources can be mobilized. Before recovery and rebuilding efforts can begin, debris must be efficiently assessed and removed safely. These efforts can be expensive. If debris removal activities are not monitored and proper documentation maintained, federal reimbursement may be delayed. Emergency Debris Management is typically implemented by public works departments, emergency management agencies, and other local government organizations that want to improve the efficiency of their debris management operations and ensure federal guidelines are met.

Conference Presentations



Tree Risk and Pruning

James Semelka

Brickyard 5

This session will explore the formulation and possible standardization of Municipal Tree Trimming Specifications to most efficiently maximize the health and benefits of the Urban Forest while minimizing Risk

11:45-12:45 PM Breakout Session 4

IRMA – Incident Response Fundamentals

Frankie Giannetti

Brickyard 1

Incident Response Fundamentals - Covers the essentials of how to conduct incident investigations and post incident analysis to determine causal factors of why the incident occurred. Content includes required reporting, keys to gathering information as an investigator, and how to properly complete and submit documents for review and follow up.

A Hands-On Guide to Emergency Management for Public Works Agencies

Stephanie Graves

Brickyard 2

Public works agencies are the first in and last out when disaster strikes—clearing roads, restoring access, maintaining essential services, and rebuilding communities long after the headlines fade. In 2024 alone, the United States faced 90 federally declared major disasters—nearly one every four days—ranging from floods and wildfires to hurricanes and severe storms. These events underscore the central, escalating role that public works plays in emergency response and recovery.

This session offers a field-tested, step-by-step guide for public works professionals navigating today's complex emergency management landscape. Built on real-world deployments and the Blueprint of Resilience initiative, attendees will explore proven strategies for volunteer coordination, emergency procurement, field-ready planning, and disaster reimbursement.

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Rail Safety Education

Aisha Jackson

Brickyard 3

This course provides rail safety education to local agencies promoting safe practices at highway-rail grade crossings, supported by Illinois Operation Lifesaver. Topics include the Emergency Notification System(ENS) sign, warning devices, and how to navigate crossings safely.

IPSI/MPSI/Illinois Road Scholar

Vince Kilcullen, Mark Runyon & Karen Young

Brickyard 4

IPSI/MAPSI/Illinois Road Scholar programs and what they can do for your employees

Tree Reforestation

Zach Riban

Brickyard 5

This session will explore the formulation of Municipal Tree Planting Programs to replace trees removed for disease, pest, or Public Safety reasons. It will include an overview of tree and planting specifications, proper tree siting, and the development of Species Diversity goals.



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Conference Speakers



Mike Bardou, Warning Coordination Meteorologist - National Weather Service Chicago

Mike is the Warning Coordination Meteorologist at the Chicago National Weather Service (NWS) Forecast Office in Romeoville, IL where he serves as the primary interface with NWS partners.

Ted Berger, Director - IEMA-OHS

Ted joins IEMA-OHS as the acting director after a career that includes several public policy and public safety related responsibilities across different governmental organizations.

Most recently, Ted served as executive director for the Cook County Department of Emergency Management and Regional Security, where he guided emergency management and homeland security-related programs and investments.

Prior to joining Cook County Government, Ted served as chief of staff for the City of Chicago's Office of Emergency Management and Communications and held several responsibilities with the State of Illinois, including serving as the Deputy Director for Legislative Affairs for the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity and chief of staff for the Office of the Illinois State Fire Marshal.

In addition to his full-time responsibilities, Ted previously served within the volunteer fire service, having held the role of deputy chief of training, EMS and safety for the North Park Fire Protection District in Machesney Park. From 2009-2012, Ted was a volunteer associate staff member for the White House Office of Scheduling and Advance. Ted holds an MA in Security Studies from the Naval Postgraduate School Center for Homeland Defense and Security and a BA in Political Science from Bradley University.

Rebekka Copple, Meteorologist - National Weather Service Central IL

Rebekka Copple is a meteorologist at NWS in Lincoln, IL. She has been there for 3 years this November and graduated from the University of Illinois in 2022.

Chris Drey, Director of Public Works - Village of Romeoville

My career started back in 1989 at the Village of Bolingbrook. In 1990, I assisted with the cleanup of the Plainfield tornado, this event helped chart my course to want to be a positive public servant. Since that event I have been assisted with several natural disasters: snow, tornadoes, floods and even an oil leak. Current Vice president of IPWMAN/ Operations Chairman, I enjoy working with the IPWMAN duty supervisors and board members also serve as the liaison between APWA Chicago Metro chapter and IPWMAN.

Conference Speakers



Matt Fritz, Village Administrator - Village of Coal City

Matt graduated from NIU in 2001 with an MPA after graduating from North Central College as a double major in both Political Science & Economics. After his internship was completed in Skokie, Matt found a job across the border in Munster, IN whom he served as their Assistant Town Manager for 6 years. Being lucky enough to have had a boy and a girl, Matt & his wife Traci wished to have more children, which spurred him on to find a number one spot back in Illinois so Traci could take a break from her full-time position at Naperville North High School and increase the size of their family. That opportunity arose in 2008 when the Coal City Village Administrator position was poised for growth and one that would provide some interesting challenges and opportunities. Matt received the position as the Village's 4th ever Village Administrator and has now outlasted the longest lasting previously tenured Administrator by more than a decade.

Matt resides in Coal City with his wife Traci, who has returned back to teaching high school English and they have four children; two of them have graduated and attend college while two remain within the Coal City School district. Coal City is a small town of 5,800 residents located in Grundy & Will Counties located within a larger community school district of 10,000 residents and is located between three nuclear plants located in unincorporated Grundy County, Braidwood, and LaSalle County.

Anton Galati, Commander of Patrol - City of Highland Park

Commander Anton J. Galati has over 23 years of law enforcement experience and currently serves as the Commander of Patrol for the City of Highland Park. He holds an Associate Degree in Science in Criminal Justice from Columbia Southern University and is a graduate of Northwestern University's Staff and Command Program and FBI LEEDA Trilogy.

Throughout his career, Commander Galati has been a member of the Northern Illinois Multi-Regional Emergency Service Team for more than nine years, initially serving on the containment team and later as a member of the sniper team. He has also held various positions within the department, including Firearms Coordinator, Rapid Deployment Coordinator, Field Training Officer, and Union President for Officers and Sergeants. Additionally, outside of his departmental responsibilities, Commander Galati has served as the Executive Vice President of the Illinois Council of Police.

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Frankie Giannetti, Loss Control Manager - IRMA

Frankie Giannetti is a Certified Safety Professional and seasoned leader in occupational safety and risk management, with over a decade of experience serving public works, utilities, and first responder organizations. As the Loss Control Manager for the Intergovernmental Risk Management Agency, she provides safety and risk management guidance to more than 70 municipalities in the Chicagoland Area, overseeing comprehensive safety program evaluations, OSHA-compliant training, and strategic loss prevention initiatives.

A dynamic communicator and collaborator, Frankie has developed and delivered training on a wide range of topics, including confined space entry, lockout/tagout, behavior-based safety, and accident investigation. She is an OSHA Authorized Outreach Trainer and certified instructor in CPR, ergonomics, and flagger safety. Her approach blends technical expertise with practical solutions, helping organizations reduce risk, protect workers, and strengthen operational resilience.

Frankie's career has spanned roles in municipal agencies, park districts, and private consulting, giving her a 360-degree perspective on safety across diverse operations from water treatment plants and fleet maintenance to police, fire, and recreation services. She holds degrees in Chemistry and Aviation Maintenance Technology, is a U.S. Air Force veteran, and is passionate about fostering proactive, prevention-focused safety cultures that drive both human and organizational performance.

Lisa Godfrey, Training and Graphics Specialist - Illinois Department of Transportation - Technology Transfer Center

Since joining the IDOT Technology Transfer Program in June 2023, Lisa Godfrey has drawn on her six years with the Town of Normal's Public Works department to support local agencies. After earning her CDL in 2020 and serving in Waste and Sewer maintenance, Lisa combined her hands-on experience with her background in technology and training to launch the free CDL Theory program for public agencies. This curriculum provides a key portion of the Entry Level Driver Training requirements for new CDL applicants.



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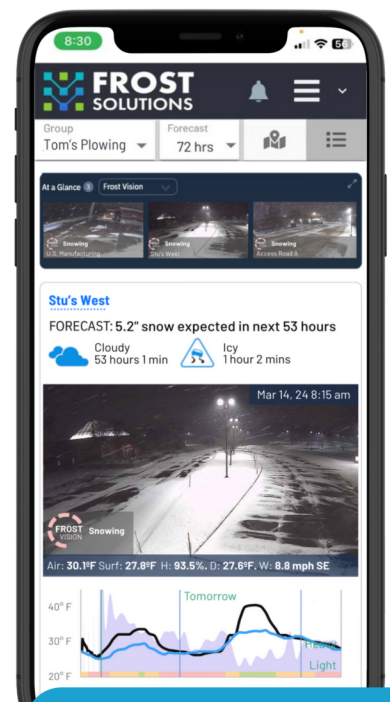
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Stephanie Graves, Engineering Manager - Village of Downers Grove

Stephanie has been with the Village of Downers Grove for almost 9 years. She has Bachelors and Masters degrees in Civil Engineering from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Steve Hancock, Owner - Live Line Demo

Retired Electric Utility Operation and Engineering Systems Manager with 46 Years of experience from Lineman to Powerplant.

Aisha Jackson, Rail Safety Specialist - Illinois Commerce Commission-Rail Safety

Aisha Jackson is the Education & Outreach Rail Safety Specialist at the Illinois Commerce Commission with a decade of rail experience promoting awareness to prevent highway-rail crossing and trespassing incidents. Specializing in community outreach, Aisha uses her rail experience to bridge the gap through education between the rail industry and the public.

Vince Kilcullen, Superintendent - Village of Algonquin

Vince Kilcullen, I have worked for the Village of Algonquin for 28 years. Helped Steve Ludwig start the IRSP program and have continued to assist with the program, and send staff to the program.

Terra McParland, Acting Section Chief, Engineering Studies - IL DNR - Office of Water Resources

Ms. McParland joined IDNR – Office of Water Resources (OWR) in 2019 after working in the consulting field for much of her career. She is currently in the acting role of Section Chief for the Engineering Studies Section where one of her duties is as Flood Surveillance Program Manager. She coordinates the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) during flood events and provides technical assistance when needed. She is the lead OWR contact for the Silver Jackets projects being completed in Illinois, serves as the Flood Damage Mitigation Committee leader for the IL State Water Plan, and sits on the education/engagement working group for IDNR's Climate Action Plan. She obtained her BSCE at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor in 1990 and decided to forgo the snow and head to Hawaii to complete her MS in Environmental Engineering at the University of Hawaii in 1992. She is a registered professional engineer, certified floodplain manager and has obtained certifications for the LEED and Envision sustainable design programs. She really enjoys camping and National Park visits with her grown children who continue to come on family vacations whenever she pays.

Conference Speakers



Jill Ramaker, Executive Director - Northeastern Illinois Public Safety Training Academy (NIPSTA)

Jill Ramaker is the Executive Director of the Northeastern Illinois Public Safety Training Academy (NIPSTA), located in Glenview, IL. With a background in emergency medicine as both a fire department paramedic and ER nurse, Jill leads NIPSTA's operations as it increasingly emerges as a national model for the intergovernmental consolidation of talent and resources, along with development of innovative public safety and disaster response training. She has earned multiple degrees in environmental policy, threat and response management, and legal studies, and is currently pursuing an Executive Certificate in Public Leadership at Harvard University. Jill is also an Adjunct Professor of Emergency Management at the University of Southern California where she teaches graduate students leadership, disaster planning, and the accelerating impacts of the global climate crisis.

Zach Riban, Consulting Municipal Arborist - Great Lakes Urban Forestry

ISA Certified Arborist #IL-9873A

INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE: 8 years in the tree care/urban forestry industry

ROLE: Consulting Municipal Arborist/ Tree Inventory Technician

BACKGROUND: Zach started with Graf Tree Care in Batavia, IL, in June 2018 as an arborist apprentice. In the early years of his career, he learned how to properly climb and prune trees and operate heavy machinery such as an aerial lift and stump grinder. He also learned how to identify trees and operate a plant health care spray rig. Zach was a crew leader with Graf Tree Care before transferring over to Great Lakes Urban Forestry in 2024 as a Tree Inventory Technician. In the past two years, he has been part of four major reforestation plans in the south suburbs of Chicago and Northwest Indiana, resulting in the planting of hundreds of trees. Zach spends his time fishing and absorbing the outdoors whenever possible.

Conference Speakers



Mark Runyon, Planning & Training Coordinator - IPWMAN

Mark Runyon is the IPWMAN Planning & Training Coordinator. He retired in 2024 with 42 years of service in the Public Works Industry. He worked for 28 years at the Village of Oswego where he held several positions including most recent Public Works Assistant Director. Prior to the Village, Mark worked 14 years for the Oswegoland Park District. He is also a retired P.T. Oswego Firefighter with 32 years of service. While at the Village, Mark volunteered for IPWMAN serving on several committees, was a Duty Officer, Regional Director, Vice President and finally President. Mark was the recipient of the 2024 APWA Professional Manager of the Year award in Public Works Emergency Management.

Mark likes spending time with family including three wonderful grandchildren and in his spare time likes to work in the yard and ride his bike.

James Semelka, Consulting Municipal Arborist - Great Lakes Urban Forestry

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Nels Johnson Tree Expert Company, Davey Tree Experts, Village of Oak Park Public Works Department, Forestry Division, Homer Tree Care, Sterling Tree Solutions / Davis Tree Care 1978 - 2016

Village of La Grange Public Works Department, Village Forester 1988 - 1998

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Professional Affiliations

- Suburban Tree Consortium, Past President
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- State of Illinois Legacy Tree Task Force - Member

Conference Speakers



Ed Shimon, Warning Coordination Meteorologist - National Weather Service

Ed is the warning coordination Meteorologist for the NWS in Lincoln. He got his degree in meteorology from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1990. He has been with the NWS for over 30 years, with stays in Madison, WI, Duluth, MN, and now Lincoln, IL. He is the outreach specialist for the office and he enjoys working closely with emergency managers, safety officials and public works officials.

Aidden Tapia, CRTI Community Coordinator - The Morton Arboretum

Aidden Tapia is a Chicago local with an M.S in Plant Biology and Conservation from Northwestern University. He represents The Morton Arboretum's Urban Forestry program: The Chicago Region Trees Initiative. He has administered the IDNR Urban and Community Forestry grant program since joining The Arboretum in early 2023, following a career with the City of Highland Park's Forestry section.

Brent Thomas, GIS Specialist - Illinois Emergency Management

GIS Specialist for Illinois Emergency Management Agency - Office of Homeland Security

Karen Young, Director of Public Works - Village of Roselle

Karen Young is the Director of Public Works for the Village of Roselle with 30 years of municipal experience. She oversees a wide range of Village services including water, wastewater, streets, fleet & facilities and is a licensed Professional Engineer. Karen serves on committees with APWA, IPWMAN and IPSI.

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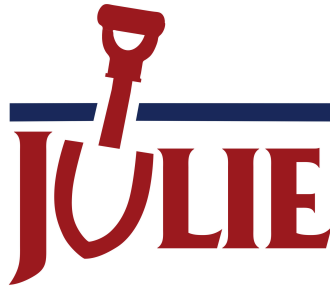
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General Membership Meeting Agenda

Date: October 21, 2025	Time: 1:00 p.m.
In-person Location: DoubleTree by Hilton, 10 Brickyard Dr., Bloomington, IL 61701	
Zoom Link: https://zoom.us/j/94363925198?pwd=LvGCalc5M1cKi3sxlouNZNDdwbwmV6.1	

A. Call to Order

B. Roll Call/Introductions

C. Public Comment

D. Approval of Minutes

- a. 2024 General Membership Meeting

E. Report of Officers

- a. President's Report
- b. Vice President Report
- c. Treasurer's Report – 2025 Budget Update
- d. Secretary's Report – New Members

F. Report of Standing Committees

- a. Operations Committee – Chris Drey
- b. APWA Liaison Update – Chris Drey
- c. Management Committee – Vacant
- d. Membership Committee – Karen Young
- e. Nominating Committee – Karen Young
- f. Finance Committee – Aaron Howe
 - i. 2026 Budget Presentation
- g. Social Media Committee – Jeff Ruth
- h. Technology Committee – Colleen Martoccio
- i. Marketing Committee – Chester Gorecki
- j. Conference Committee – Chris Lemke

G.



Old Business

- a. Reorganization update – New membership agreements

H. New Business

- a. Database Upgrade/Update
- b. Vote to approve the 2025 IPWMAN Budget
- c. Any additional new business

I. Certification of the 2025 Election

J. Swearing in of Officers

- a. President
- b. Board of Directors

K. President's Vision for 2026

L. Next Meeting Date and Location

- a. October 21, 2025 – Time to be determined
- b. DoubleTree by Hilton, 10 Brickyard Dr., Bloomington, IL 61701

M. Adjournment

General Membership Meeting Minutes

Date:	October 22, 2024	Time:	3:15 PM
In-person Location:	DoubleTree by Hilton, 10 Brickyard Drive, Bloomington, IL 61701		

A. Call to Order 3:15pm

B. Roll Call/Introductions – See Appendix 1

C. Public Comment

D. Introductions

E. Approval of Minutes

- a. 2023 General Membership Meeting

Motion was made by Chris Drey (Village of Romeoville) to approve the October 24, 2023, General Membership Meeting minutes.

Cody Dengler (City of Joliet) seconded the motion.

Voice vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

F. Presidents Awards – Mark Runyon

- a. Barb Stiehl (IPWMAN)
- b. Cliff Frye (IPWMAN Region 6 Director, Christian County)
- c. Michael Figuray (DuPage County)
- d. Bob Rick (IPWMAN Region 3 Director, Village of Naplate)
- e. Dave Koehler (IPWMAN Region 4 Director, DuPage County)
- f. Cody Dengler (City of Joliet)
- g. Vince Kilcullen (IPWMAN Vice President, Village of Algonquin)
- h. Joe Cronin (IPWMAN Secretary, Village of Lockport)
- i. Aaron Howe (IPWMAN Treasurer, Village of Hoffman Estates)
- j. Sarah Harbaugh (IPWMAN Executive Secretary)
- k. Mark thanked Chester Gorecki, IPWMAN marketing chair for all of his efforts. The next issue of the newsletter should be coming before the end of the year. We have had a couple of committee chair positions filled and we gained additional duty officers over the years. We always need more duty officers. If you are interested please see Chris Drey. IPWMAN had 3 activation requests with a total cost value of just over \$100, 750. Mark thanked everyone who responded with resources. IPWMAN was involved in the planning and preparedness for Odin's Dawn and the Democratic National Convention.

IPWMAN is in the process of transitioning to a governmental agency. Our attorney Karl Ottosen will be speaking and explaining this process.

Mark thanked all the board members, committee members, regional directors, duty officers and anyone else that he might have missed for all of their time and support to the organization. He also thanked all of the member agencies for their commitment and involvement.

G. Certifying Election – Joe Cronin certified that the following people were voted in by the general membership as Regional Directors Andrew O'Daniel, Terry Lusby, Jr., Chris Cougill, and Jeremy Heuerman.

H. Swearing in of Officers

- a. President – Mark R. swore in Vince Kilcullen.
- b. Board of Directors – Vince swore in newly appointed Vice-President Chris Drey prior to sweating in the newly elected Regional Directors.

I. Report of Officers

- a. President's Report/Vision Statement – Vince Kilcullen

Vince thanked Mark Runyon for all his years of service as President, and as a Regional Director. Vince mentioned that IPWMAN is in the process of transitioning to a governmental agency. IPWMAN is also updating the by-laws and policies and procedures. IPWMAN's attorney Karl Ottosen will be speaking and explaining this process. Vince thanked Sarah Harbaugh, IPWMAN executive assistant, Mark Doerfler, IPWMAN executive director for all they do. He also thanked the volunteers and duty officers and all the member agencies who helped make IPWMAN become the organization it is today.

- b. Treasurer's Report – 2024 Budget Update – Aaron Howe expressed that we are in a good financial position for 2024. Aaron also presented the proposed budget for 2025.
- c. Secretary's Report – New Members – Joe Cronin reported on our new member counts.

J. Report of Standing Committees

- a. Operations Committee – Chris Drey – Chris reported that IPWMAN is always looking for new duty officers. If you are interested, please contact Chris.
- b. APWA Liaison Update – Chris Drey – Chris reported that PWX will be in Chicago next August. IPWMAN is hoping to give four presentations and have an exhibitor booth throughout the conference.
- c. Management Committee – Vacant
- d. Membership Committee – Karen Young – Karen introduced herself as the brand new chair, so she did not have much to report. She did say as members you are

the biggest advocate for IPWMAN so the more that you can share IPWMAN information with your neighboring communities, townships and counties and try to encourage them to join the better off IPWMAN will be.

- e. Nominating Committee – Karen Young – Nothing to report
- f. Finance Committee – 2025 Budget Presentation – Aaron Howe – Aaron presented the budget in I.b. above.
- g. Training Committee – Graham Strebler – Nothing to report.
- h. Social Media Committee – Jeff Ruth – Not present.
- i. Technology Committee – Colleen Martoccio – Earlier this year it was approved to purchase five new computers with accessories. Those have been purchased and under budget.
- j. Trailer Committee – Vince Kilcullen
- k. Marketing Committee – Chester Gorecki – The next issue of the newsletter will be out in December. Next year the newsletter will be on schedule to go out quarterly.
- l. Conference Committee – Chris Lempke – This is our largest conference with just over 200 participants. Next years conference will be by October 21st & 22nd, 2025.

K. New Business

- a. Reorganization of IPWMAN from a not-for-profit organization to an intergovernmental organization
 - i. IPWMAN Attorney Karl Ottosen
 - 1. Changes to the Bylaws - The bylaws had references to the not-for-profit corporation and the election of directors. Those phrases were taken out and the other major change is how do you amend the agreement in the future. Any member can present to the board of directors a proposed amendment to the agreement. If a majority of the board approves it would then go to the general membership for a vote and 60% of the general membership attending the meeting can vote to approve an amendment to the agreement.
 - 2. Changes to the Mutual Aid Agreement (MAG) – The proposed changes essentially keep the same format in place. The board of directors are elected the same way, but they're a board of directors of the Mutual Aid Network and Illinois intergovernmental agency. The only real difference between the original MAG and the proposed new MAG is that the current agreement does not state anything about day-to-day mutual aid. It is only disaster mutual aid in the intergovernmental agreement, but you operate all over the state on a day-to-day basis, assisting one another, and so we've made it clear that that is part of what you can do and are supposed to do with this organization. Another aspect is adding in language about training.
 - 3. Explain the ordinance moving IPWMAN Inc. assets to IPWMAN Intergovernmental Organization - Once IPWMAN has over 50% of the membership signing the new agreement the intergovernmental agency will be in effect and the assets will be transferred from IPWMAN, Inc. (not-for-profit) to IPWMAN Intergovernmental agency.

- ii. Vote to adopt changes to the Bylaws

Motion was made by Gary Holm (City of Batavia) to approve the proposed changes to the Bylaws.

Terry Lusby, Jr. (City of Champaign) seconded the motion.

Voice vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

- iii. Vote to adopt changes to the Mutual Aid Agreement

Motion was made by Graham Strebler (Village of Rolling Meadows) to approve the proposed changes to the Mutual Aid Agreement.

Cody Dengler. (City of Joliet) seconded the motion.

Voice vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

- b. Vote to approve the 2025 budget

Motion was made by Chris Drey (Village of Romeoville) to approve the 2025 Budget.

Cliff Frye (Christian County) seconded the motion.

Voice vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

- c. Any additional new business

L. Next Meeting Date and Location

- a. Next Board of Directors Meeting.

- i. October 21, 2025 – Time to be determined

- ii. Location – DoubleTree by Hilton Bloomington, 10 Brickyard Dr.,
Bloomington, IL 61701

M. Adjournment

Motion was made by Joe Cronin (City of Lockport) to adjourn the meeting.

Bob Rick (Village of Naplate) seconded the motion.

Voice vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

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