

Lake County Illinois

*Lake County Courthouse and Administrative Complex
18 N. County Street
Waukegan, IL 60085-4351*



Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday, May 7, 2024

1:00 PM

**Assembly Room, 10th Floor or register for remote attendance at:
<https://bit.ly/49ZP906>**

Legislative Committee

1. Call to Order

Chair Wasik called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Vice Chair Roberts led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call of Members

Present 7 - Member Altenberg, Member Campos, Member Hunter, Member Knizhnik,
Vice Chair Roberts, Member Schlick and Chair Wasik

**Electronic Attendance: Member Campos*

Other Attendees***In Person:***

Sandy Hart, County Board Chair

Mary Ross Cunningham, County Board Vice Chair

Carissa Casbon, Board Member

Matt Meyers, County Administrator's Office

Kevin Quinn, Communications

Jennifer Brennan, Communications

Patrice Sutton, County Administrator's Office

Theresa Glatzhofer, County Board Office

Electronically:

Kristy Cechini, County Board Office

Janna Philipp, County Administrator's Office

Mike Grady, Strategic Advocacy Group

Matt Meyers, County Administrator's Office

Gregory Bales, McGuire-Woods Consulting, LLC

Elizabeth Brandon, County Administrator's Office

RuthAnne Hall, County Administrator's Office

Derek Blaida, Strategic Advocacy Group

Edward Gallagher, Pace Bus

Shane Schneider, Division of Transportation

Abby Krakow, Communications

Sonia Hernandez, County Administrator's Office

Jim Hawkins, County Administrator's Office

4. Addenda to the Agenda

There were no additions or amendments to the agenda.

5. Public Comment

There were no comments from the public.

6. Chair's Remarks

Chair Wasik thanked everyone who assisted with the Illinois State Association of Counties' (ISACo) Legislative Conference in Springfield. Chair Wasik also thanked Derek Blaida and Mike Grady, Strategic Advocacy Group, and the Lake County delegation for meeting with the Lake County Board Members who attended the Conference.

7. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business to discuss.

8. New Business

CONSENT AGENDA (Item 8.1)

MINUTES

8.1 [24-0375](#)

Committee action approving the Legislative Committee minutes from March 5, 2024.

Attachments: [LEG 3.5.24 Final Minutes](#)

As part of a single motion for the entire Consent Agenda, a motion was made by Vice Chair Roberts, seconded by Member Altenberg, that these minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Altenberg, Member Campos, Member Hunter, Member Knizhnik, Vice Chair Roberts, Member Schlick and Chair Wasik

REGULAR AGENDA

8.2 [24-0420](#)

Update and discussion regarding the State of Illinois 2024 Legislative Sessions.

Derek Blaida, Strategic Advocacy Group, provided a summary of the State of Illinois 2024 legislative session thus far, including HB 5823 (Mass Transit Consolidation). Mike Grady, Strategic Advocacy Group, provided an update on items from the Lake County Legislative Agenda, including funding for the Route 53 Greenway Study and release of funding for the Stormwater Management project. Discussion ensued.

8.3 [24-0421](#)

Update and discussion regarding Federal Legislative items.

Greg Bales, McGuire-Woods Consulting, LLC, provided an update regarding federal legislative items, including progress on appropriation requests for Lake County submitted projects. Mr. Bales also provided information about the status of the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP), and the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant for the Round Lake community. Discussion ensued.

8.4 [24-0422](#)

Discussion and presentation related to filed State and Federal Bills.

Matt Meyers, Assistant County Administrator, noted that Lake County has submitted seven earmark applications, through the Lake County delegation, for funding of various Lake County projects.

9. County Administrator's Report

There was no County Administrator's Report.

10. Executive Session

The Committee did not enter into Executive Session.

11. Member Remarks and Requests

Member Knizhnik requested that Matt Meyers, Assistant County Administrator, forward any information to her pertaining to the Hawthorn Woods (Glennshire) and Forest Lake water system improvement projects.

Member Altenberg remarked that attending the Illinois State Association of Counties' (ISACo) Legislative Conference was very helpful and productive.

Member Hunter noted that he participated in writing a letter for the Antioch Sanitary sewer project.

12. Adjournment

Chair Wasik declared the meeting adjourned at 1:33 p.m.

Next Meeting: June 4, 2024

Meeting minutes prepared by Theresa Glatzhofer.

Minutes were approved on June 4, 2024, by the Legislative Committee.