

Lake County Illinois

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



Meeting Minutes - Final

Friday, April 28, 2023

10:30 AM

Assembly Room, 10th Floor or register for remote attendance at
<https://bit.ly/3mK7Emr>

F&A Special Committee on COVID-19 Pandemic
Recovery and Investment

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Meeting: F&A Special Committee on COVID-19 Pandemic Recovery and Investment (Subject line for written Public Comment)

Topic or Agenda Item #: (REQUIRED)

Name: (REQUIRED)

Organization/Entity Represented: (REQUIRED) ("Self" if representing self)

Street Address, City, State: (Optional)

Phone Number: (Optional)

Email: May be REQUIRED for remote attendance

1. Call to Order

Chair Frank called the meeting to order at 10:31 a.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Frank led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call of Members

Present 5 - Vice Chair Danforth, Chair Frank, Member Kyle, Member Pedersen and
Member Vealitzek

Other Attendees:

In Person:

Adam Schlick, Board Member

Bruce Johnson, Public

Carissa Casbon, Board Member

Carl Kirar, Facilities and Construction Services

Chris Covelli, Sheriff's Office

Eric Alexander, Sheriff's Office

Esiah Campos, Board Member

Gail Weil, Public

Greg Formica, Public

Jennifer Brennan, Communications

Jennifer Clark, Board Member

Jill Novacek, Public

Jim Hawkins, County Administrator's Office

John Light, Human Resources

John Wasik, Board Member

Kevin Eckenstahler, Sheriff's Office

Kevin Quinn, Communications

Marah Altenberg, Board Member

Mark Pfister, Health Department

Matt Meyers, County Administrator's Office

Patrice Sutton, Finance

Tammy Chatman, Communications

Theresa Glatzhofer, County Board Office

Electronically:

Alex Carr, Communications

Alex Iseri, Bronner Group

Austin McFarlane, Public Works

Brenda O'Connell, Planning, Building and Development

Brendan Siegfried, Public

Cassandra Hiller, County Administrator's Office

Chad Wright, Facilities and Construction Services

Demar Harris, Workforce Development

Dominic Strezo, Planning, Building and Development
Don Davis, Bronner Group
Eric Tellez, Planning, Building and Development
Eric Waggoner, Planning, Building and Development
Frank Slovenec, Public
Heidie Hernandez, Enterprise Information Technology
Hester Bury, Public
Janna Philipp, County Administrator's Office
Jeff Steingart, Public
Jeremiah Varco, Facilities and Construction Services
Jim Chamernik, Sheriff's Office
Jolanda Dinkins, County Board Office
Jonathan Joy, Facilities and Construction Services
Joy Gossman, Public Defender
Kevin Hunter, Board Member
Kristy Cechini, County Board Office
Larry Mackey, Health Department
Maeven Sipes, Public
Mary Crain, Division of Transportation
Mary Eggert, Public
Mary Ross Cunningham, County Board Vice Chair
Melissa Gallagher, Finance
Mick Zawislak, Daily Herald
Mike Adam, Health Department
Pamela Riley, Health Department
Rebecca Kumar, Lake County Emergency Management Agency
Robin Grooms, County Administrator's Office
RuthAnne Hall, Purchasing
Sonia Hernandez, County Administrator's Office
Sarah Armstrong, Public
Scott Morrison, Sheriff's Office
ShaTin Gibbs, Finance
Stacy Davis-Wynn, Purchasing
Stephen Territo, Public
Todd Schroeder, 19th Judicial Circuit Court
Tom Casey, Public

4. Addenda to the Agenda

There were no additions or amendments to the agenda.

5. Public Comment (Items not on the agenda)

There were no comments from the public for items not on the agenda.

6. Chair's Remarks

Chair Frank thanked everyone for their efforts at last week's Committee meeting. Chair Frank also noted that he is hoping the Committee is able to come to a consensus today

regarding American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding allocations, to bring to the Board.

7. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business to discuss.

8. New Business

CONSENT AGENDA (Item 8.1)

8.1 23-0680

Committee action approving the F&A Special Committee on COVID-19 Pandemic Recovery and Investment minutes from April 21, 2023.

Attachments: [ARPA 4.21.23 Final Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Member Kyle, seconded by Member Pedersen, that these minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Aye: 5 - Vice Chair Danforth, Chair Frank, Member Kyle, Member Pedersen and Member Vealitzek

REGULAR AGENDA

8.2 23-0681

Presentation and discussion regarding premium pay considerations using ARPA funding.

Attachments: [ARPA Presentation 042823](#)

Matt Meyers, Assistant County Administrator, gave a brief overview of the discussion and direction provided by the Committee at last Friday's meeting. Assistant County Administrator Meyers then gave a presentation regarding potential premium pay options.

Chair Frank thanked Assistant County Administrator Meyers for his hard work. Chair Frank also acknowledged and thanked the several Board Members who had recommended revisiting the issue of providing premium pay to certain County employees through American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding.

Discussion ensued.

The consensus of the Committee was to move forward with \$1,200 per employee for premium pay. Assistant County Administrator Meyers noted that this item will be on the next Financial and Administrative Committee agenda for consideration.

8.3 23-0682

Presentation, discussion, and Committee direction on externally submitted applications and the use of the County's remaining ARPA funds based on internal and other options for consideration.

Attachments: [ARPA - List of Remaining Projects 042823](#)
 [Summary of Priority Projects 042823](#)
 [Priority Project List - Matching Funds 042823](#)

Public comment was provided in person by: Greg Formica, Bruce Johnson, Gail Weil, and Jill Novacek.

Public comment was also provided electronically by: Maeven Sipes, Mary Eggert, and Frank Slovenec.

Matt Meyers, Assistant County Administrator, gave an overview of the recommended remaining projects and initiatives for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding.

Discussion ensued.

Assistant County Administrator Meyers introduced Alex Iseri and Don Davis, Bronner Group, to speak about the prioritization of the externally submitted ARPA funding requests.

Discussion ensued.

Member Pedersen left the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

Member Vealitzek made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Danforth, to direct staff to add a recommendation for allocation of ARPA funds for the highlighted Public Health Services projects on the Lake County Summary of Priority Scored Projects sheet to the Financial and Administrative Committee for consideration. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

*Aye: 4 - Vice Chair Danforth, Chair Frank, Member Kyle, and Member Vealitzek
Not Present: 1 - Member Pedersen*

9. County Administrator's Report

There was no County Administrator's Report.

10. Executive Session

The Committee did not enter into Executive Session.

11. Members' Remarks

There were no remarks from members.

12. Adjournment

Chair Frank adjourned the meeting at 12:10 p.m.

Next Meeting: June 2, 2023

Meeting minutes prepared by Theresa Glatzhofer.