

Lake County Illinois

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



Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday, November 5, 2013

10:30 AM

Conference Room C, 10th Floor

Law and Judicial Committee

1. Call to Order

Chair Nixon called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

Present 7 - Chair Nixon, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Carlson, Member Cunningham, Member Hart, Member Pedersen and Member Weber

Others present:

Keith Brin, Circuit Clerk

Jeanne Polydoris, Circuit Clerk's Office

Chris Creighton, Finance and Administrative Services

Teri White, State's Attorney's Office

Patrice Sutton Burger, Finance and Administrative Services

RuthAnne Hall, Purchasing

Ashley Lucas, County Administrator's Office

Donna Jo Maki, County Administrator's Office

Ryan Waller, County Administrator's Office

Ray Rose, Sheriff's Office

Sandra Salgado, Sheriff's Office

John Byrne, Sheriff's Office

Brian Keller, Sheriff's Office

Gary Gordon, Finance and Administrative Services

Jeremiah Varco, Finance and Administrative Services

Kelly Merz, County Board Office

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Nixon led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Approval of Minutes**3.1 13-1278**

Meeting minutes from October 1, 2013.

A motion was made by Member Carlson, seconded by Member Cunningham, that the minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chair Nixon, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Carlson and Member Cunningham

Not Present: 3 - Member Hart, Member Pedersen and Member Weber

4. Added to Agenda

There were no items added to the agenda.

5. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

6. Old Business

There was no old business discussed.

7. New Business

Vice-Chair Calabresa took this opportunity to address the Sheriff's Office with her concerns regarding the legalized use of medical marijuana. Undersheriff Ray Rose

explained that shortcomings of the bill are being addressed with state legislators and progress made will be communicated to the committee.

CORONER**7.1 13-1249**

Report from Thomas A. Rudd, Coroner, for the month of September 2013.

A motion was made by Member Calabresa, seconded by Member Cunningham, that this item be received and placed on the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chair Nixon, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Carlson and Member Cunningham

Not Present: 3 - Member Hart, Member Pedersen and Member Weber

SHERIFF**7.2 13-1108**

Report from Mark C. Curran, Jr., Sheriff, for the month of September 2013.

A motion was made by Member Calabresa, seconded by Member Cunningham, that this item be received and placed on the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chair Nixon, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Carlson and Member Cunningham

Not Present: 3 - Member Hart, Member Pedersen and Member Weber

CIRCUIT COURT CLERK**7.3 13-1093**

Joint resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation from the Court Document Storage Fund (258) to provide additional functionality for public access to court records and E-Filing.

Circuit Clerk Keith Brin presented the resolution explaining public access projects are moving quickly and upgrades have been proposed ahead of schedule. Judges have requested e-filing enhancements including a home screen and user interface for court functionality. Modifications to the Circuit Clerk's website are necessary to apply new technology for end users. The development of a mobile device application will also increase public access. Discussion followed.

A motion was made by Member Carlson, seconded by Member Cunningham, that this item be approved and referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chair Nixon, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Carlson and Member Cunningham

Not Present: 3 - Member Hart, Member Pedersen and Member Weber

Chair Nixon introduced Donna Jo Maki, Executive Justice Coordinator. Ms Maki shared that her career began in the Lake County Public Defender's Office, then served as a prosecutor for McHenry County State's Attorney, and most recently prosecuting for the Attorney General.

Ms. Maki also updated the group on the jail GED program. Through collaborative efforts of the Sheriff's department, the College of Lake County will offer a GED program for jail inmates beginning January 1, 2014. Initially two classes will be offered, with a third beginning in March. Full registration in a six week course will be required to participate. Inmates will be pre-tested and post-tested, in which statistics will reflect that inmates are improving within the program to meet the state's standards. Discussion followed.

7.4 13-1241

Report from Keith Brin, Clerk of the Circuit Court, for the month of September 2013.

A motion was made by Member Cunningham, seconded by Member Carlson, that this item be received and placed on the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chair Nixon, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Carlson and Member Cunningham

Not Present: 3 - Member Hart, Member Pedersen and Member Weber

PUBLIC DEFENDER**7.5 13-1212**

Report from Joy Gossman, Public Defender, for the month of August 2013.

A motion was made by Member Cunningham, seconded by Member Carlson, that this item be received and placed on the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chair Nixon, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Carlson and Member Cunningham

Not Present: 3 - Member Hart, Member Pedersen and Member Weber

7.6 13-1213

Report from Joy Gossman, Public Defender, for the month of September 2013.

A motion was made by Member Cunningham, seconded by Member Carlson, that this item be received and placed on the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chair Nixon, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Carlson and Member Cunningham

Not Present: 3 - Member Hart, Member Pedersen and Member Weber

STATE'S ATTORNEY

Members Hart and Pedersen entered the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

7.7 13-1264

Joint resolution authorizing the renewal of the State's Attorney's Prosecutor-Based Victim Services grant program, awarded by the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA), including \$61,553 in federal funds.

Teri White of the State's Attorney's Office presented the resolution. Ms. White explained the Prosecutor Based Victim Services grant funding will cover a portion of the salary and benefits of a Domestic Violence Victim Witness Coordinator. Matching funds from the State's Attorney's Money Laundering Fund will cover the remaining portion. This advocate provides assistance to victims of violence, identity theft, fraud, and senior

citizen victims of crime. Ms. White also noted this is a new grant funding source through Victims of Crime Assistance. Discussion followed.

A motion was made by Member Carlson, seconded by Member Calabresa, that this item be approved and referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Nixon, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Carlson, Member Cunningham, Member Hart and Member Pedersen

Not Present: 1 - Member Weber

7.8 13-1265

Joint resolution authorizing the renewal of the State's Attorney's Crime Analysis grant program, awarded by the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA), including \$51,579 in federal funds.

Teri White of the State's Attorney's office presented the resolution. Ms. White explained the State's Attorney's Crime Analysis grant will fund a portion of the Crime Analyst's salary and benefits. Matching funds from the State's Attorney's Money Laundering Fund will cover the remaining portion. This position is instrumental in gathering and sharing gang intelligence and other information with municipalities.

Member Weber entered the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

A motion was made by Member Calabresa, seconded by Member Hart, that this item be approved and referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Nixon, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Carlson, Member Cunningham, Member Hart and Member Pedersen

Absent: 1 - Member Weber

7.9 13-1266

Joint resolution authorizing an extension and increase of Juvenile Accountability Block Grant (JABG) funding for the State's Attorney's Victim/Offender Mediation (VOM) program, originally administered through the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA), but transferred to the Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS) to support the program through June 30, 2014, and an emergency appropriation of \$4,934.

Teri White of the State's Attorney's office presented the resolution. Ms. White explained the extension of the funding is due to the administration of the fund being moved from Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority to the Illinois Department of Human Services. The shift in administration pushed the grant's end date from the federal fiscal year of November 2013 to the State's fiscal year June 2014. As such, an additional \$4,440 was awarded to cover the extended amount of time.

A motion was made by Member Cunningham, seconded by Member Hart, that this item be approved and referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chair Nixon, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Carlson, Member Cunningham, Member Hart, Member Pedersen and Member Weber

19TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

7.10 13-1229

Committee action approving Amendment No. 1 to Lake County Agreement #90185 for engineering services for the replacement of the fire alarm system for the Courts Complex.

Ryan Waller of the County Administrator's Office explained this item is a Financial and Administrative Committee agenda item that was mistakenly added to this agenda. Since it does pertain to the Courts Complex, RuthAnne Hall of Finance and Administrative Services will provide a brief overview of the item, and the action to be taken will be to have the item removed from the agenda.

Ms. Hall and Jeremiah Varco of Facilities Operations explained this is a change order to the engineering services for the new fire alarm system for the Courts Complex and Administrative Tower. The initial plans for the system upgrade began in 2009. Updates to these plans were necessary as a result of ongoing renovation projects, resulting in an increase of \$28,000.

A motion was made by Member Weber, seconded by Member Hart, that this item be removed from the agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chair Nixon, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Carlson, Member Cunningham, Member Hart, Member Pedersen and Member Weber

8. Executive Session

There was not an Executive Session.

9. County Administrator's Report

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:11 a.m.

Minutes prepared by Kelly Merz.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman

Vice-Chairman

Law and Judicial Committee