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.