

# Lake County Illinois

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



## **Meeting Minutes - Final**

**Wednesday, September 1, 2010**

**8:30 AM**

**Conference Room C**

**Revenue, Records and Legislation Committee**

1. **Call to Order**

*Chair Bassi called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.*

**Present** 5 - Chair Bassi, Member Carey, Member Hewitt, Vice Chair Pedersen and Member Taylor

**Absent** 2 - Member Paxton and Member Nixon

*Others present:*

*Suzi Schmidt, County Board Chair*

*Barry Burton, County Administrator*

*Amy McEwan, Sr. Assistant County Administrator*

*Carrienne Carallis, Administrator's Office*

*Kip Kolkmeier, Kolkmeier Consulting*

*Barbara Allen, County Board Office*

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

*Chair Bassi led the committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.*

3. **Approval of Minutes**

[10-0721](#)

Minutes from July 7, 2010

**Attachments:** [RRL 07.07.10](#)

**A motion was made by Member Hewitt, seconded by Member Carey to approve the minutes from July 7, 2010. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Chair Bassi, Member Carey, Member Hewitt, Vice Chair Pedersen and Member Taylor

**Not Present:** 2 - Member Paxton and Member Nixon

4. **Public Comment**

5. **Added to Agenda**

6. **Old Business**

7. **New Business**

**County Clerk**

7.1 [10-0663](#)

Report of Willard R. Helander, County Clerk, for the month of June 2010.

**Attachments:** [County Clerk 0610](#)

**A motion was made by Member Carey, seconded by Member Taylor, that this report be received and placed on the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Chair Bassi, Member Carey, Member Hewitt, Vice Chair Pedersen and Member Taylor

**Not Present:** 2 - Member Paxton and Member Nixon

**Recorder of Deeds**

7.2 [10-0778](#)

Report of Mary Ellen Vanderverter, Recorder of Deeds, for the month of July 2010.

**Attachments:** [SRDP36C210081711060.tif](#)

**A motion was made by Member Pedersen, seconded by Member Hewitt, that this report be received and placed on the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Chair Bassi, Member Carey, Member Hewitt, Vice Chair Pedersen and Member Taylor

**Not Present:** 2 - Member Paxton and Member Nixon

7.3 [10-0662](#)

Report of Mary Ellen Vanderverter, Recorder of Deeds, for the month of June 2010.

**Attachments:** [SRDP36C210071310580.tif](#)

**A motion was made by Member Pedersen, seconded by Member Hewitt, that this report be received and placed on the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Chair Bassi, Member Carey, Member Hewitt, Vice Chair Pedersen and Member Taylor

**Not Present:** 2 - Member Paxton and Member Nixon

**Treasurer**

7.4 [10-0669](#)

Report of Robert Skidmore, Treasurer, for the month of June 2010.

**Attachments:** [Cash Investment June 10.pdf](#)

[Treasurer Cash Investment June 09.XLS](#)

**A motion was made by Member Taylor, seconded by Member Carey, that this report be received and placed on the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Chair Bassi, Member Carey, Member Hewitt, Vice Chair Pedersen and Member Taylor

**Not Present:** 2 - Member Paxton and Member Nixon

7.5 [10-0801](#)

Report of Robert Skidmore, Treasurer, for the month of July 2010.

**Attachments:** [July 2009 LC Treasurer Cash and Investment Summary \(2\).pdf](#)  
[Cash Investment July 2010.pdf.pdf](#)

**A motion was made by Member Taylor, seconded by Member Carey, that this report be received and placed on the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Chair Bassi, Member Carey, Member Hewitt, Vice Chair Pedersen and Member Taylor

**Not Present:** 2 - Member Paxton and Member Nixon

**7.6 [10-0768](#)**

Joint resolution designating the herein named banks and other financial institutions as depositories in which the funds and monies in the custody of Robert Skidmore, as County Treasurer and as Ex-Officio County Collector, may be deposited.

**A motion was made by Member Carey, seconded by Member Taylor, that this resolution be approved and referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried by the following vote.**

**Aye:** 5 - Chair Bassi, Member Carey, Member Hewitt, Vice Chair Pedersen and Member Taylor

**Not Present:** 2 - Member Paxton and Member Nixon

**Legislation**

**7.7 State Legislative Update**

*Kip Kolkmeier presented an update to the 2010 State Initiatives.*

*Member Paxton entered the room at 8:40 a.m.*

*Member Nixon entered the room at 8:55 a.m.*

*Initiatives to Sponsor*

- 1. Lake County Transportation Route 120 Project. The project is still ongoing.*
- 2. Cell Tower Use. Bill Number HB 4877. This project concerns the regulation of telecommunication and AM broadcast facilities. This bill is back in the Senate and is unlikely to be successful in 2010. It has been attached to a larger bill HB 6425 and re-referred to Rules Committee.*
- 3. Senior Citizens Assessment Freeze Homestead Exemption. Bill Numbers HB 4919 and HB 5801. These two Bills would amend the Property Tax Code. The Assessors Association was not on board with this bill. They are both unlikely to be successful in 2010.*
- 4. Publication of Assessments in Local Newspapers. Bill Number HB 4799. There has not been a lot of interest in this bill from other counties, because the majority of them do not direct mail notices to every tax payer. This bill is unlikely to be successful in 2010.*
- 5. Establishment of Affordable Housing Trust Fund. Bill Number SB 3001. Provides that a county may establish an "affordable housing trust fund". This Bill was defeated in the Senate and is unlikely to be successful in 2010.*
- 6. DUI Law Clarification. This project remains ongoing.*

7. *Unaltered IDOT crash reports to federal, state, and local agencies requesting them. HB 5330. This Bill is concerning accident reports. It passed the Senate and was signed by the Governor.*

8. *Use of Reclaimed Water. Bill Number SB2549. This bill has been amended with language changes first by the plumbers union now the pipe fitters union is requesting minor changes. Progress has been made but it is moving slowly.*

#### *2010 Monitor Initiatives*

9. *Water Safety and Enforcement Fee/License – Boat Length Fee. This is in process and ongoing.*

10. *Tax Credit for Jury Duty – This is in process and ongoing.*

11. *Environmentally contaminated Property Redevelopment Penalty Abatement – This is in process and ongoing.*

12. *Lake County Transportation Priority Projects for IDOT SFY 2011. Bill Number SB 3763. This Bill pertains to the authority over the portion of property upon the completion of a relocated highway. This bill passed the House and the Governor signed it.*

#### *Policy Issues*

13. *Restore and Protect Medicaid Funding for Nursing Homes. Process is ongoing.*

14. *No Diversion of Road Funds. Process is ongoing.*

15. *Statewide Wetland Regulations. Process is ongoing.*

16. *Unfunded Probation Services. Bill Number HB 4822. This would provide for Probation to become an independent agency. This Bill is unlikely to be successful in 2010.*

#### *2010 Bills not on the agenda that would affect Lake County*

17. *Municipal Incorporation. Bill Number HB 5923. This Bill Amends the Illinois Municipal Code concerning the incorporation of a village. This bill passed the Senate and the Governor signed it.*

18. *County Vehicle Administrative Adjudication. Bill Number HB 6239. Provides that a home rule county may provide for a system of administrative adjudication of violations of certain county ordinances. This bill passed the Senate and was signed by the Governor.*

19. *County Code Hearing Unit. Bill Number HB 5972. Amends the Counties Code and provides that the county board of any county that establishes a code hearing unit may, by ordinance, establish a fine schedule for code violations. This Bill passed the Senate and was signed by the Governor.*

20. *Illinois Finance Authority – American Recovery Bonds Bill Number SB 3474. This Bill is being discussed.*

21. *County Code – Copies of Records/Fees. Bill Number SB 3749. Provides that for non-certified copies of records, a county recorder shall receive an amount not to exceed one-half of the amount of the fee for certified copies, according to a standard scale of fees, established by the county board and made public. This Bill passed the House, was amended and sent to the Governor.*

22. *Personnel Record Evaluation. Bill Number HB5154. This Bill Amends the Personnel Record Review Act. This passed the Senate and sent to the Governor where it was vetoed.*

23. *Pension Code. Bill Number SB 1946. This Bill amends the State Employee Article of the Illinois Pension Code.*

24. *Corporations Recorders Office. Bill Number: SB3211. This Bill amends the Business Corporation Act of 1986 requiring document filing in the recorders office. This Bill passed the Senate and was signed by the Governor.*

25. *Mr. Kolkmeier also mentioned the Foreclosure Sale - Bill Number 5055. The Governor provided an amendatory veto that postponed the affective date of the changes to January 1, 2011. Mr. Kolkmeier stated it is up to Lake County to articulate their position to oppose the changes to the Bill. He pointed out that the Budget will be the main concern coming up and the election will lead that.*

**Present** 6 - Chair Bassi, Member Paxton, Member Carey, Member Hewitt, Vice Chair Pedersen and Member Taylor

**Absent** 1 - Member Nixon

**8. Executive Session**

**9. County Administrator's Report**

**10. Adjournment**

**A motion was made by Member Paxton, seconded by Member Hewitt, to adjourn at 10:00 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Aye:** 7 - Chair Bassi, Member Paxton, Member Nixon, Member Carey, Member Hewitt, Vice Chair Pedersen and Member Taylor

*Minutes prepared by Barbara Allen.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

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*Chairman*

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*Vice-Chairman*

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*Revenue, Records & Legislation Committee*