

Lake County Illinois

Meeting held by Video Conference
Physical Location:
18 N County Street (10th Floor), Waukegan, IL 60085



Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday, October 5, 2021

1:00 PM

The public can register to attend remotely at <https://bit.ly/3CVffRS>

Legislative Committee

Pursuant to Section 7(e) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act, the current Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation, and the Chair's Written Determination, this meeting will be held by audio and video conference.

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE: The public can attend Lake County Committee and Board meetings (two options): (1) remote / virtual attendance through registration at the link on the front page of this agenda, or (2) in-person attendance (to view the virtual meeting on the 10th Floor of the County Administrative Tower, 18 N. County Street, Waukegan, Illinois.)

RECORDING: Meetings, to include Public Comment, will be recorded.

PUBLIC COMMENT: The public will be afforded time to comment on matters related to the business of the County Board. A total of 30 minutes will be permitted for Public Comment and no more than three minutes per Comment. In general, Public Comment on items not on the agenda will be presented near the beginning of the meeting. Public Comment on agenda items may be presented during consideration of that item. Individuals attending in-person or remotely may present their Public Comment during the meeting. Individuals not in attendance may provide written Public Comment that must be received by 3:00 p.m. the day prior to the meeting (emailed to PublicComment@Lakecountyil.gov or delivered to the County Board Office 18 N. County Street, Waukegan, Illinois (10th floor)).

Public Comment will proceed in the following order: (1) Public Comment by individuals who are attending remotely / virtually, (2) Public Comment by individuals in attendance on the 10th Floor, and then (3) written comments.

Individuals providing Public Comment will provide the following information:

- * Meeting: Legislative (Subject line for written Public Comment)
- * Name (REQUIRED)
- * Topic or Agenda Item # (REQUIRED)
- * Street Address, City, State (Optional)
- * Phone Number (Optional)
- * Organization/Agency/etc. Represented (If representing yourself, put "Self")

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0. [21-1171](#)

Chair's determination of need to meet by audio or video conference.

Attachments: [Determination - Chair Hart 7.30.21\[379\]](#)

1. Call to Order

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

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Member Roberts led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call of Members

Present 7 - Vice Chair Casbon, Member Frank, Member Hunter, Member Kyle, Member Roberts, Member Sbarra and Chair Wasik

**Electronic Attendance: All Members*

Others Present:

Abby Scalf, Communications

Al Giertych, Division of Transportation

Andrew Tangen, Veterans Assistance Commission

Carl Kirar, Facilities and Construction

Cassandra Torstenson, County Administrator's Office

Derek Blaida, State Lobbyist

Eric Waggoner, Planning, Building and Development

Gary Gibson, County Administrator's Office

James Hawkins, County Administrator's Office

Kristy Cechini, County Board Office

Matt Meyers, County Administrator's Office

Mike Grady, Lobbyist

Patrice Sutton, Finance

Sandy Hart, Board Member

Stacy Davis-Wynn, Purchasing

Sydney Dawson, County Board Office

Theresa Glatzhofer, County Board Office

Walter Willis, Solid Waste Agency of Lake County

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 public comments.

6. Chair's Remarks

Chair Wasik noted that the Committee is waiting for Congress to pass infrastructure bills and requested the Committee's support to add a Federal lobbyist contract to the new budget items list.

7. Unfinished Business

There was no Unfinished Business.

8. New Business**CONSENT AGENDA (Item 8.1)****Approval of Minutes****8.1 [21-1560](#)**

Meeting minutes. September 7, 2021.

Attachments: [Legislative.9.7.21.Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Member Sbarra, seconded by Member Roberts, that the minutes from September 7, 2021 be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Vice Chair Casbon, Member Hunter, Member Kyle, Member Roberts, Member Sbarra and Chair Wasik

Not Present: 1 - Member Frank

REGULAR AGENDA**8.2 [21-1509](#)**

Update and discussion regarding the State of Illinois 2021 Legislative Sessions.

Derek Blaida, State Lobbyist, informed the Committee that the veto session will commence on October 19, 2021. Mr. Blaida explained that both chambers will set formal agendas within the next ten days. If and when supplemental agendas are published, they will be sent to Chair Wasik and Assistant County Administrator Matt Meyers for distribution. Mr. Blaida noted that the County must pass a bill to redraw congressional maps following the 2020 Census.

Discussion ensued.

(Member Frank entered the meeting at 1:11 p.m.)

8.3 [21-1525](#)

Resolution approving the Lake County Fiscal Year 2022 Legislative Agenda.

Attachments: [Lake County - 2022 Legislative Program Amended](#)

Matt Meyers, Assistant County Administrator, presented the final Lake County Fiscal Year 2022 Legislative Agenda. Assistant County Administrator Meyers noted that all phone numbers and contact information for state representatives were updated and that the Census numbers used in the Agenda were also updated to reflect recent Census data changes. Assistant County Administrator Meyers then reviewed the state level initiatives that the County has agreed to sponsor and support.

Discussion ensued.

Vice Chair Casbon made a motion to amend the original motion to include support of healthcare for Veterans impacted by exposure to burn pits as a topic of importance in the Lake County Fiscal Year 2022 Legislative Agenda. The motion was seconded by Member Roberts. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 7: Vice Chair Casbon, Member Frank, Member Hunter, Member Kyle, Member Roberts, Member Sbarra, and Chair Wasik.

A motion was made by Member Roberts, seconded by Member Kyle, that the resolution be recommended for adoption to the Board agenda. Motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Vice Chair Casbon, Member Frank, Member Hunter, Member Kyle, Member Roberts, Member Sbarra and Chair Wasik

9. County Administrator's Report

Assistant County Administrator Matt Meyers thanked the staff for their time.

10. Executive Session

There was no Executive Session.

11. Members' Remarks

There were no Member's Remarks.

12. Adjournment

Chair Wasik declared the meeting adjourned at 1:37 p.m.

Next Meeting: November 2, 2021

Meeting minutes prepared by Sydney Dawson & Theresa Glatzhofer.

Respectfully submitted,

Legislative Committee Chair