

Lake County Illinois

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



Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday, August 2, 2022

10:30 AM

**or 10 minutes after the conclusion of the Law and Judicial
Committee, whichever is later.**

**Assembly Room, 10th Floor or register to virtually attend at
<https://bit.ly/3z9da4r>**

Health and Community Services Committee

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE: The public can attend Lake County Committee and Board meetings (two options):

- (1) In-person attendance is on the 10th Floor of the County Administrative Tower (9th Floor, if necessary), 18 N. County Street, Waukegan, Illinois.
- (2) Remote / virtual attendance through registration at the link on the front page of this agenda.

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 in attendance on the 10th Floor, (2) Public Comment by individuals who registered via the link on the front page of the agenda and are attending remotely / virtually, and then (3) written comments.

Individuals providing Public Comment will provide the following information:

- * Meeting: HCS Committee (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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1. Call to Order

Chair Simpson called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Vice Chair Altenberg led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call of Members

Present 6 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Casbon, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Maine, Chair Simpson and Member Snarski

Absent 1 - Member Barr

** Electronic Attendance: Chair Simpson*

Others present:

Mark Pfister, Health Department

Sherry Kruse, Veterans Assistance Commission

John Murray, Veterans Assistance Commission

Kevin Quinn, Communications

Justine Gilbert, Communications

Gary Gibson, County Administrator's Office

Matt Meyers, County Administrator's Office

Cassandra Hiller County Administrator's Office

Jim Hawkins, County Administrator's Office

Kristy Cechini, County Board Office

Brenda O'Connell, Planning, Building and Development

Cassandra Hiller, County Administrator's Office

Eric Waggoner, Planning, Building and Development

Gavin Good, Chicago Tribune

Gunnar Gunnarsson, State's Attorney's Office

Janna Philipp, County Administrator's Office

Jolanda Dinkins, County Board Office

Julie Simpson, Board Member

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Karen Fox, State's Attorney's Office

Sonia Hernandez, County Administrator's Office

Stephen Rice, State's Attorney's Office

Theresa Glatzhofer, County Board Office

4. Addenda to the Agenda

There were no additions or amendments to the agenda.

5. Public Comment (Items not on the agenda)

There was no public comment.

6. Chair's Remarks

Chair Simpson apologized for not being in-person due to a family emergency.

7. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

8. New Business

REGULAR AGENDA

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

8.1 [22-1058](#)

Joint resolution accepting the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) grant and authorizing an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$6,874 for the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) grant.

Attachments: [HUD \\$11,784K](#)

Mark Pfister, Health Department Executive Director, provided an overview of the HUD grant. The funding will provide rent for individuals with disabilities and homeless or the risk of homelessness.

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

Aye: 6 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Casbon, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Maine, Chair Simpson and Member Snarski

Absent: 1 - Member Barr

8.2 [22-1059](#)

Joint resolution accepting the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) grant and authorizing an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$42,189 for the Fish and Wildlife Aquatic Invasive Nuisance Species grant.

Attachments: [DNR Fish and Wildlife \\$42K](#)

Mark Pfister, Health Department Executive Director, provided an overview of the grant for Wildlife Aquatic Invasive Nuisance Species. The focus will be to remove the starry stonewort. Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Altenberg, seconded by Member Maine, that this resolution be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Aye: 6 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Casbon, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Maine, Chair Simpson and Member Snarski

Absent: 1 - Member Barr

VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

8.3 [22-1071](#)

Joint resolution authorizing a line-item transfer between the General Operating Expense in the General Fund and the Veterans Assistance Commission Fund for the purpose of transferring previously approved funds in Fiscal Year (FY) 2022.

Attachments: [VAC LIT 7.26.22](#)

Mike Wheeler, Finance, provided an overview for a routine line-item transfer for the Veterans Assistance Commission (VAC). Sherry Kruse, Veterans Assistance Commission Assistant Superintendant, provided an overview of the VAC budget. A lengthy discussion ensued in regards to ARPA funding.

Gary Gibson, County Administrator, stated there was new legislation that passed and a discussion in regards to the funding for the VAC will be at a later date.

A motion was made by Member Ross Cunningham, seconded by Vice Chair Altenberg, that this resolution be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Aye: 6 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Casbon, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Maine, Chair Simpson and Member Snarski

Absent: 1 - Member Barr

9. County Administrator's Report

There was no County Administrator's Report.

10. Executive Session

There was no Executive Session.

11. Members' Remarks

There were no Members' remarks.

12. Adjournment

Chair Simpson declared the meeting adjourned at 11:08 a.m.

Next Meeting: August 30, 2022

Meeting minutes prepared by Kristy Cechini

Respectfully submitted,

Health and Community Services Committee Chair