

Lake County Illinois

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Wednesday, November 5, 2014

8:30 AM

Assembly Room, 10th Floor

Public Works and Transportation Committee

1. Call to Order

Chair O'Kelly called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Present 7 - Chair O'Kelly, Vice Chair Taylor, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Maine, Member Sauer and Member Thomson-Carter

Absent 2 - Member Carey and Member Stolman

Others present:

Barry Burton, County Administrator

Victor Filippini, Filippini Law Firm

Gary Gordon, Finance and Administrative Services

Gunnar Gunnarsson, State's Attorney's Office

RuthAnn Hall, Purchasing

Sandy Hart, Lake County Board Member

Adlil Issakoo, Finance and Administrative Services

Aaron Lawlor, Lake County Board Chairman

Adam Lehmann, County Administrator's Office

Peter Kolb, Public Works and Transportation

Patrice Sutton Burger, Finance and Administrative Services

Paula Trigg, Division of Transportation

Ryan Waller, Assistant County Administrator

Blanca Vela-Schneider, County Board Office

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair O'Kelly led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Approval of Minutes

3.1 14-1178

Minutes from October 1, 2014.

Attachments: [PWT 10.1.14 Minutes Final .pdf](#)

A motion was made by Member Durkin, seconded by Member Hewitt, that this commission action item be approved. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair O'Kelly, Vice Chair Taylor, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Maine and Member Thomson-Carter

Absent: 2 - Member Carey and Member Stolman

Not Present: 1 - Member Sauer

4. Added to Agenda

There were no items added to the agenda.

5. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

6. Old Business

There was no old business to conduct.

7. New Business

PUBLIC WORKS

7.1 14-1168

Joint resolution authorizing execution of a contract with Happ Builders, Inc. of Waukegan, Illinois, in the amount of \$483,000 for the Diamond/Sylvan Lake Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) Decommissioning Project.

Attachments: [14-1168 DSL Decommission Bids](#)

Public Works Director Peter Kolb reported the flow of water to the Diamond/Sylvan Lake Water Reclamation Facility has been diverted and the facility can now be decommissioned. A pump station, flow equalization basin, and an administrative building with a garage will remain and the area will be restored.

A motion was made by Member Durkin, seconded by Member Thomson-Carter, that this item be approved and referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair O'Kelly, Vice Chair Taylor, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Maine and Member Thomson-Carter

Absent: 2 - Member Carey and Member Stolman

Not Present: 1 - Member Sauer

7.2 14-1181

Joint resolution authorizing execution of a License Agreement to install, operate and maintain an automated meter reading (AMR) device on an existing civil defense pole on Vernon Hills Park District property.

Attachments: [14-1181 VH Park District AMR IGA](#)

Public Works Director Peter Kolb presented a request to executive a License Agreement to install a repeater device on an existing pole on the Vernon Hills Park District property. This is one of the few remaining repeaters left to install. There is a cost of \$10 per year. Assistant County Administrator Ryan Waller noted Public Works has been communicating with Lake County Board Chairman Aaron Lawlor, representative of this community, on this issue.

A motion was made by Member Thomson-Carter, seconded by Member Maine, that this item be approved and referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair O'Kelly, Vice Chair Taylor, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Maine and Member Thomson-Carter

Absent: 2 - Member Carey and Member Stolman

Not Present: 1 - Member Sauer

7.3 14-1172

Ordinance consenting to the admission of additional members, Volo and Wauconda, pursuant to an Admissions Agreement to the Central Lake County Joint Action Water Agency (CLCJAWA).

Attachments: [14-1172 CLCJAWA Letter to Members](#)
[14-1172 West Group Admissions Agreement CLCJAWA](#)
[14-1172 Ordinance Authorizing West Group Admission to CLCJAWA](#)

A motion was made by Member Thomson-Carter, seconded by Member Taylor, that this item be recommended for adoption to the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair O'Kelly, Vice Chair Taylor, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Maine and Member Thomson-Carter

Absent: 2 - Member Carey and Member Stolman

Not Present: 1 - Member Sauer

7.4 12-1231

Director's Report - Public Works.

Public Works Director Peter Kolb reported the Des Plaines Work Group has elected its officers. The organization can now establish subcommittees and put out a request for proposal for sampling and testing. Mr. Kolb noted it has taken a year and a half to create a constitution and get funding for this organization. Member Maine requested a list of all the members and representatives of the DesPlaines Work Group as well as a list of members invited but have chosen not to join at this time.

Member Sauer arrived at 8:42 a.m.

Assistant County Administrator Ryan Waller and Victor Filippini of Filippini Law Firm provided an update regarding North Shore Sanitary District (NSSD) negotiations. Mr. Filippini provided a brief history of the County's agreement with NSSD. The County has been operating under a 1994 agreement with NSSD that has since expired, which is a subsequent agreement to a 1970's agreement that resulted in litigation. Efforts to further negotiations have floundered with NSSD failing to justify its rate increase of 35 percent. Discussion ensued regarding the County's response to this increase. The consensus is to notify NSSD in writing that the County will continue to pay under the terms of the 1994 agreement while negotiations continue. The consensus is to try to resolve this matter amicably.

Assistant County Administrator Ryan Waller provided an update regarding the Arden Shores Agreement between North Chicago and Lake Bluff. There is a disagreement

between the two communities regarding the rate structure. In absence of an agreement between the two communities, the County can provide each customer with a monetary amount for a waiver regarding the discontinuation of water service by the County or refurbish the existing infrastructure. The consensus is that if an agreement between the two communities cannot be reached, the County will seek to terminate service and will provide a monetary value for a waiver of service.

Mr. Kolb thanked Chair O'Kelly for her assistance and guidance during tenure on the Public Works Committee. He wished her the best in her future endeavors.

DIVISION OF TRANSPORTATION

7.5 14-1167

Joint resolution authorizing an agreement with the Commuter Rail Division of the Regional Transportation Authority (Metra), Chicago, Illinois, appropriating \$295,000 of ¼% Sales Tax for Transportation funds for the Washington Street Improvement, from Haryan Way to Lake Street, and designated as Section 11-00121-11-BR.

Attachments: [14-1167 WashingtonStreet Metra Agreement Draft](#)

Division of Transportation Director Paula Trigg reported the County is improving Washington Street from Haryan Way to Lake Street by widening and construction a grade separation under Canadian National Railroad. Metra needs to perform work at the Grayslake Metra station platform and the County will pay Metra for the cost of this work via an escrow amount.

A motion was made by Member Thomson-Carter, seconded by Member Sauer, that this item be approved and referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chair O'Kelly, Vice Chair Taylor, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Maine, Member Sauer and Member Thomson-Carter

Absent: 2 - Member Carey and Member Stolman

7.6 14-1170

Joint resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement with the State of Illinois/Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) and the Soo Line (Canadian Pacific) Railroad for the railroad crossing improvement on Russell Road at the Soo Line Railroad crossing, and designated as Section 14-00078-14-RR.

Attachments: [14-1170 Russell Road at Soo Line Railroad Crossing - IDOT Agreement I](#)

Division of Transportation Director Paula Trigg reported this is the Illinois Department of Transportation's project. Detours are not anticipated, but if it is needed, the County will assist.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair O'Kelly, Vice Chair Taylor, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Maine, Member Sauer and Member Thomson-Carter

Absent: 2 - Member Carey and Member Stolman

7.7 14-1166

Joint resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement with the State of Illinois/Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) for the road improvement on US Route 41, from Illinois Route 21 to Park Avenue West, appropriating \$15,000 of Motor Fuel Tax funds, and designated as Section 14-00093-21-TL.

Attachments: [14-1166 US Route 41, IL21 to Park Ave. - IDOT Agreement Draft](#)

Division of Transportation Director Paula Trigg reported this is the Illinois Department of Transportation's project and the County's share of the cost is for signal improvement.

A motion was made by Member Thomson-Carter, seconded by Member Maine, that this item be approved and referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chair O'Kelly, Vice Chair Taylor, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Maine, Member Sauer and Member Thomson-Carter

Absent: 2 - Member Carey and Member Stolman

7.8 14-1139

Joint resolution appropriating \$79,300 of County Bridge Tax funds, \$131,800 of Matching Tax funds, and \$114,900 of ¼% Sales Tax for Transportation funds for fiscal year (FY) 2015 miscellaneous services needed to address soil, environmental, drainage, bridge and wetland concerns and right-of-way purchases, and designated as Section 15-00000-02-EG.

Upon inquiry from Member Thomson Carter, Division of Transportation Director Paula Trigg reported the 1/4% sales tax is typically used for large projects, but occasionally is used for smaller projects that improve traffic safety. Discussion occurred regarding how staff determines when to use 1/4% sales tax.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair O'Kelly, Vice Chair Taylor, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Maine, Member Sauer and Member Thomson-Carter

Absent: 2 - Member Carey and Member Stolman

7.9 14-1141

Joint resolution appropriating \$30,000 of County Bridge Tax funds and \$50,000 of Matching Tax funds to provide for fiscal year (FY) 2015 acquisition of materials and services needed to maintain drainage and bridge facilities, pavements, shoulders, guardrails, fencing, and right-of-way, and designated as Section 15-00000-03-GM.

A motion was made by Member Maine, seconded by Member Sauer, that this item be approved and referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion

carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chair O'Kelly, Vice Chair Taylor, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Maine, Member Sauer and Member Thomson-Carter

Absent: 2 - Member Carey and Member Stolman

7.10 14-1142

Joint resolution appropriating \$115,000 of Matching Tax funds for the Joint Utility Locating Information for Excavators, Inc. (JULIE) ticket screening and locating of Lake County Division of Transportation (LCDOT) storm sewers for excavator dig requests for various County highways, and designated as Section 15-00000-09-GM.

A motion was made by Member Thomson-Carter, seconded by Member Hewitt, that this item be approved and referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chair O'Kelly, Vice Chair Taylor, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Maine, Member Sauer and Member Thomson-Carter

Absent: 2 - Member Carey and Member Stolman

7.11 14-1162

Joint resolution appropriating \$2,400,000 of County Bridge Tax funds, \$4,200,000 of Matching Tax funds and \$16,265,000 of ¼% Sales Tax for Transportation funds for the reconstruction of Peterson Road, from Illinois Route 83 to Alleghany Road, and designated as Section 10-00098-19-RP.

Member Maine noted the bike path will connect to what is being built east of this area and will extend westward to the township park. Future connections are being considered.

A motion was made by Member Thomson-Carter, seconded by Member Maine, that this item be approved and referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chair O'Kelly, Vice Chair Taylor, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Maine, Member Sauer and Member Thomson-Carter

Absent: 2 - Member Carey and Member Stolman

7.12 14-1163

Joint resolution appropriating \$610,000 of County Bridge Tax funds and \$1,235,000 of Matching Tax funds for the reconstruction of Petite Lake Road, from Illinois Route 59 to Fairfield Road, and designated as Section 10-00181-05-RS.

Division of Transportation Director Paula Trigg noted the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) also has a project occurring on Petite Lake Road and the County has been trying to coordinate the projects so that they occur simultaneously. However, IDOT does not know when it will having funding to do the project.

A motion was made by Member Thomson-Carter, seconded by Member Hewitt, that this item be approved and referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chair O'Kelly, Vice Chair Taylor, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Maine, Member Sauer and Member Thomson-Carter

Absent: 2 - Member Carey and Member Stolman

7.13 14-1164

Joint resolution appropriating \$2,235,000 of Matching Tax funds for the resurfacing of Center Street, from Illinois Route 83 to US Route 45, and designated as Section 14-00189-04-RS.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair O'Kelly, Vice Chair Taylor, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Maine, Member Sauer and Member Thomson-Carter

Absent: 2 - Member Carey and Member Stolman

7.14 14-1165

Joint resolution appropriating \$600,000 of County Bridge Tax funds for the repair of culverts under Diamond Lake Road, at Indian Creek, and designated as Section 13-00139-06-DR.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair O'Kelly, Vice Chair Taylor, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Maine, Member Sauer and Member Thomson-Carter

Absent: 2 - Member Carey and Member Stolman

7.15 14-1171

Joint resolution rescinding a contract awarded to Peter Baker & Son Co., Lake Bluff, Illinois, in the amount of \$333,200.30 for Hot-Mix Surface removal, patching, and constructing ¾" Hot-Mix Asphalt leveling binder and 1 ½" Hot-Mix Asphalt surface course lifts on various roads in the Libertyville Township Road District, and designated as Section 14-10101-02-GM.

Attachments: [14-1171 Libertyville Township Contract Rescind Letter](#)

Division of Transportation Director Paula Trigg reported the Libertyville Township Highway Commissioner did not do the culvert work before he left. After his departure, the Libertyville Township had to review whether there was enough funding to complete this project, but the weather has turned and it is too late to complete the project this year. The township has requested the County rescind the contract.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair O'Kelly, Vice Chair Taylor, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Maine, Member Sauer and Member Thomson-Carter

Absent: 2 - Member Carey and Member Stolman

7.16 14-1169

Joint resolution authorizing the execution of agreements with Antioch, Avon, Fremont, Grant, Lake Villa and Wauconda Townships providing the terms and conditions for the receipt of Township funds for the Lake County Northwest Demonstration Project, and designated as Section 09-00280-01-ES.

Attachments: [14-1169 Northwest Demonstration Project Antioch Twnshp Agreement Dr](#)
[14-1169 Northwest Demonstration Project Avon Twnshp Agreement Draft](#)
[14-1169 Northwest Demonstration Project Fremont Twnshp Agreement D](#)
[14-1169 Northwest Demonstration Project Grant Twnshp Agreement Draf](#)
[14-1169 Northwest Demonstration Project Lake Villa Twnshp Agreement I](#)
[14-1169 Northwest Demonstration Project Wauconda Twnshp Agreement](#)

Chair O'Kelly indicated she has a conflict of interest in this issue and recused herself from the issue and left the room

Division of Transportation Director Paula Trigg presented a request to execute agreements to fund the Lake County Northwest Demonstration Project. The townships have agreed to assist in funding this service to extend the longevity of the grant money. Discussion occurred regarding the long-term sustainability of this project. Member Maine noted there are several areas in Lake County who are not benefitting from this program. Ms. Trigg stated staff is working with the Rapid Transit Authority to make paratransit sustainable. County Administrator Barry Burton agreed there is a need for a sustainable plan and the County could push to have these communities report back to the County in the spring regarding how they plan to address funding of this program in the future. Member Sauer noted there is misperception that this program is the County's program.

A motion was made by Member Thomson-Carter, seconded by Member Hewitt, that this item be approved and referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Vice Chair Taylor, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt and Member Thomson-Carter

Nay: 2 - Member Maine and Member Sauer

Abstain: 1 - Chair O'Kelly

Absent: 2 - Member Carey and Member Stolman

7.17 14-0064

Director's Report - Transportation.

Division of Transportation Director Paula Trigg reported staff is working on winter safety tips for County Board members' newsletters. The County did not receive LTA grant to develop a corridor enhancement plan along McClory Path. There is a cement shortage in

the Midwest due to transportation delays, impacting the work on the Peterson Road Project and Rollins Road Project. Staff has informed the contractor and the cement contractors' association that if cement is not able to be timely received, future projects will move forward with an asphalt installation. Peterson Road is still expected to be poured and opened this year; Rollins Road will be open but will not have the full width lanes. Chair O'Kelly expressed safety concerns regarding the construction work on Midlothian Road. Metra and Pace are having their budget open houses. The Illinois Department of Transportation will let several of the County's projects on November 21, 2014 including Washington Street Bike Path Project, Washington Street Grade Separation Project, Traffic Signal Interconnections Project on Sheridan Road, and the Traffic Signal Interconnections Project on Route 83. Lake County Division of Transportation (LCDOT) Planning Liaison Bruce Christiansen will be speaking at the APWA on November 18, 2014 regarding federal projects and funding. The Route 53/120 Land Use Project will have public open houses are scheduled for November 12, 2014 at Prairie Crossing Barn and November 19, 2014 at the Lake Zurich High School Cafeteria. Information was provided to Communications. LCDOT have several public hearings including the Old McHenry Road Project at Kildeer School on November 18, 2014, the Cedar Lake Road Project at McGee School on December 3, 2014, the Buffalo Grove Road Project at Twin Groves School on December 9, 2014. Ms. Trigg will provide the list to the County Board Members. Ms. Trigg thanked Chair O'Kelly for her service. She provided statistics from when Chair O'Kelly first joined the Public Works and Transportation Commission in comparison to today.

8. Executive Session

Executive Session was entered into at 10:40 a.m.

A motion was made by Member Maine, seconded by Member Hewitt, that this item be to go into executive session.

8.1 14-1180

Executive Session to discuss probable or imminent litigation for a road construction project pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11).

Executive Session was adjourned at 10:48 a.m.

A motion was made by Member Maine, seconded by Member Durkin, to come out of executive session. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Chair O'Kelly, Vice Chair Taylor, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Maine, Member Sauer and Member Thomson-Carter

Absent: 2 - Member Carey and Member Stolman

Executive Session was entered into at 10:49 a.m.

A motion was made by Member Hewitt, seconded by Member Maine, that this item be to go into executive session. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Chair O'Kelly, Vice Chair Taylor, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Maine, Member Sauer and Member Thomson-Carter

Absent: 2 - Member Carey and Member Stolman

8.2 14-1143

Executive Session to discuss personnel matters pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

Executive Session was adjourned at 11:48 a.m.

This matter was to come out of executive session

Aye: 6 - Chair O'Kelly, Vice Chair Taylor, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Sauer and Member Thomson-Carter

Absent: 2 - Member Carey and Member Stolman

Not Present: 1 - Member Maine

9. County Administrator's Report

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:49 a.m.

Meeting minutes prepared by Blanca Vela-Schneider.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman

Vice-Chairman

Public Works and Transportation Committee