

Lake County Illinois

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



Meeting Minutes - Final

Friday, May 9, 2025

9:00 AM

Board Room, 10th Floor or register for remote attendance at:

<https://bit.ly/42iSIhn>

Committee of the Whole

1. Call to Order

Chair Hart called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Hart led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call of Members

Present 11 - Member Altenberg, Member Casbon, Member Clark, Member Frank, Chair Hart, Member Hewitt, Member Hunter, Member Kyle, Member Parekh, Member Roberts and Member Vealitzek

Absent 8 - Member Campos, Vice Chair Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Knizhnik, Member Maine, Member Pedersen, Member Schlick and Member Wasik

**Electronic Attendance: Members Casbon, Parekh, and Roberts.*

**Members Knizhnik, Maine, and Wasik were unable to attend the Committee meeting in person and did not meet the criteria for electronic attendance. Even though they were able to attend via electronic means and participated in Committee discussions, they must be marked as absent.*

**No physical quorum. Committee will not take action on any agenda items.*

Other Attendees*In Person:*

Mike Klemens, Division of Transportation

Sharon Osterby, Stormwater Management

Kevin Carrier, Division of Transportation

Linda Soto, PACE

Erin Aleman, CMAP

Pat Carey, RTA

Alex Carr, Communications

Jon Nelson, Division of Transportation

Gary Gordon, Metra

Kasia Hart, CMAP

Elizabeth Scott, CMAP

Kendra Johnson, RTA

Samantha Ceisel, Stormwater Management

Bob Glueckert, Chief County Assessment Officer

Mike Grady, Strategic Advocacy Group

Shane Schneider, Division of Transportation

Carl Kirar, Facilities and Construction Services

Kurt Woolford, Stormwater Management

Austin McFarlane, Public Works

*Matt Meyers, County Administrator's Office
Patrice Sutton, County Administrator's Office
Theresa Glatzhofer, County Board Office*

Electronically:

*Sara Knizhnik, Board Member
Ann Maine, Board Member
John Wasik, Board Member
Joe Surdam, Division of Transportation
Mary Crain, Division of Transportation
Melinda Metzger, PACE
Ed Gallagher, PACE
Carrie Dickson, Division of Transportation
Christine Sher, Stormwater Management
Chris Blanding, Enterprise Information Technology
Janna Philipp, County Administrator's Office
Justine Gilbert, Communications
Abby Krakow, Communications
Mick Zawislak, Daily Herald
Ernesto Huaracha, Stormwater Management
Elizabeth Brandon, County Administrator's Office
Bob Glueckert, Chief County Assessment Officer
Sonia Hernandez, 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 Hart expressed her appreciation for those who were able to join this meeting via Zoom. Chair Hart also noted that the annual Police Memorial will begin at noon. Chair Hart then introduced the guests who will be speaking at the meeting today.

7. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business to discuss.

8. New Business

The Consent Agenda was moved after item 8.6.

REGULAR AGENDA

8.5 [25-0618](#)

Presentation and discussion regarding regional transit.

Attachments: [CMAP - Lake County Board 05.09.2025](#)
[SAG - Transit Presentation 050925](#)

Matt Meyers, Deputy County Administrator, introduced Erin Aleman, Executive Director, Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP), who gave a presentation regarding regional transit. Discussion ensued.

Member Knizhnik joined the meeting at 9:07 a.m.

Member Maine joined the meeting at 9:35 a.m.

Mike Grady, Owner/Principal, Strategic Advocacy Group, provided a presentation regarding the legislative and governance perspective on regional transit. Discussion ensued.

Member Casbon left the meeting at 10:29 a.m.

Chair Hart announced that there would be a 10-minute break before the next presentation. The meeting recessed at 10:30 a.m.

Member Clark left the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

Member Hunter left the meeting at 10:35 a.m.

8.6 [25-0617](#)

Presentation on the Strategic Priority: Adaptive Infrastructure from the Lake County Strategic Plan.

Attachments: [Strategic Plan Update Adaptive Infrastructure May 2025](#)

Chair Hart resumed the meeting at 10:41 a.m.

Matt Meyers, Deputy County Administrator, introduced Shane Schneider, Division of Transportation Director; Carl Kirar, Facilities and Construction Services Director; Austin McFarlane, Director of Public Works; and Kurt Woolford, Executive Director, Stormwater Management Commission, who collectively provided a presentation regarding the adaptive infrastructure priority of the Lake County Strategic Plan. Discussion ensued.

Member Frank left the meeting at 10:57 a.m.

Member Knizhnik left the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 8.1 - 8.4)

MINUTES

8.1 [24-0058](#)

Committee action approving the Committee of the Whole minutes from September 8, 2023.

Attachments: [COW 9.8.23 Final Minutes](#)

**No physical quorum. Committee did not take action.*

8.2 [24-0283](#)

Committee action approving the Committee of the Whole minutes from February 9, 2024.

Attachments: [COW 2.09.24 Final Minutes](#)

**No physical quorum. Committee did not take action.*

8.3 [25-0033](#)

Committee action approving the Committee of the Whole minutes from March 8, 2024.

Attachments: [COW 3.8.24 Final Minutes](#)

**No physical quorum. Committee did not take action.*

8.4 [24-1220](#)

Committee action approving the Committee of the Whole Legislative Event minutes from March 9, 2024.

Attachments: [COW LEGISLATIVE EVENT 3.9.24 Final Minutes](#)

**No physical quorum. Committee did not take action.*

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

Chair Hart requested that the outstanding Committee of the Whole minutes be approved at a future Board meeting.

12. Adjournment

Chair Hart declared the meeting adjourned at 11:33 a.m.

Next Meeting: August 8, 2025

Meeting minutes prepared by Theresa Glatzhofer.