

Lake County Illinois

Meeting held by Video Conference

Physical Location:

18 N County Street (10th Floor), Waukegan, IL 60085



Meeting Minutes - Final

Friday, October 8, 2021

8:30 AM

Meeting held by video conference. The public can register to attend remotely at <https://bit.ly/3m9zmoG>

Committee of the Whole

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: COW (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")

* * *To view County Board Rules, click here: <https://bit.ly/3idRdrV> * * *

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

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

1. Call to Order

Vice Chair Cunningham called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Member Clark led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call of Members

Present 18 - Member Altenberg, Member Barr, Member Casbon, Member Clark, Vice-Chairman Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Durkin, Member Frank, Member Hewitt, Member Hunter, Member Kyle, Member Maine, Member Parekh, Member Pedersen, Member Roberts, Member Vealitzek, Member Wasik and Member Wilke

Absent 3 - Chair Hart, Member Sbarra and Member Simpson

**Electronic Attendance: All Members*

Others Present:

Abby Scaf, Communications

Al Giertych, Division of Transportation

Alex Carr, Communications

Arnold Donato, Stormwater Management

Carl Kirar, Facilities

Cassandra Torstenson, County Administrator's Office

Chris Blanding, Information Technology

Emily Mitchell, Finance and Administrative Services

Eric Waggoner, Planning, Building and Development

Gary Gibson, County Administrator's Office

Jefferson McMillan-Wilhoit, Health Department

Jennifer Serino, Workforce Development

Jerry Nordstrom, Health Department

Jim Chamernik, Sheriff's Office

Jim Hawkins, County Administrator's Office

John Light, Human Resources

Joy Gossman, Public Defender

Karen Fox, State's Attorney's Office

Krista Kennedy, Finance and Administrative Services

Kurt Woolford, Stormwater Management

Larry Mackey, Health Department

Mary Crain, Division of Transportation

Melanie Nelson, State's Attorney's Office

Michael Wheeler, Finance and Administrative Services

Nicole Farrow, State's Attorney's Office

Pam Riley, Health Department

Robert Springer, Planning, Building and Development
Rosemary Heilemann, Public
RuthAnne Hall, Finance and Administrative Services
Sharmila Manak, State's Attorney's Office
Steven Winnecke, Lake County Emergency Telephone System Board
Teri White, State's Attorney's Office
Kristy Cechini, County Board Office
Mark Pfister, Health Department
Matt Meyers, County Administrator's Office
Patrice Sutton, Financial and Administrative Services
Theresa Glatzhofer, County Board Office
Sydney Dawson, 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 were no public comments.

6. Chair's Remarks

There were no Chair's Remarks.

7. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business to discuss.

8. New Business

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 8.1)

Approval of Minutes

(Member Barr entered the meeting at 8:34 a.m.)

8.1 [21-1506](#)

Minutes from September 10, 2021.

Attachments: [COW 9.10.21 Final Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Member Hewitt, seconded by Member Roberts, that the minutes from September 10, 2021 be approved. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 16 - Member Altenberg, Member Barr, Member Casbon, Member Clark, Vice-Chairman Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Durkin, Member Frank, Member Hewitt, Member Hunter, Member Kyle, Member Maine, Member Parekh, Member Pedersen, Member Roberts and Member Vealitzek

Absent: 5 - Chair Hart, Member Sbarra, Member Simpson, Member Wasik and Member Wilke

REGULAR AGENDA

8.2 [21-1505](#)

Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 Budget Overview.

Attachments: [FY2021 - 22 Budget Presentation 100821](#)

Gary Gibson, County Administrator, thanked Finance staff for compiling the proposed Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 Budget. County Administrator Gibson also noted that the FY 2022 Budget will be posted on the County's website and filed with the County Clerk's Office for public viewing. County Administrator Gibson also noted that Board members can request hard copies of the FY 2022 Budget, if desired.

Patrice Sutton, Chief Financial Officer (CFO), gave a high level overview of the proposed FY 2022 Budget. CFO Sutton noted Lake County's values and strategic alignments, as they guided the budget preparation process. Such strategic initiatives highlighted in the FY 2022 Budget include: public safety and an integrated, data-driven justice system; enhancement of economic opportunities; promotion of a sustainable environment; and healthy, inclusive, and resilient communities. More details regarding the specific programs for these initiatives will be available at the upcoming budget hearings. CFO Sutton also noted that the proposed FY 2022 Budget is operationally balanced and that it included many cuts in order to balance it.

Vice Chair Cunningham thanked staff for their hard work on the budget, especially CFO Sutton. Member Kyle echoed Vice Chair Cunningham's thanks to staff.

Discussion ensued.

(Member Wasik entered the meeting at 8:59 a.m.)

(Member Wilke entered the meeting at 9:01 a.m.)

9. County Administrator's Report

There was no County Administrator's Report.

10. Executive Session

The Committee did not enter into Executive Session.

11. Members' Remarks

There were no Members' Remarks.

12. Adjournment

Vice Chair Cunningham declared the meeting adjourned at 9:09 a.m.

Next Meeting: November 5, 2021

Minutes prepared by Theresa Glatzhofer.

Respectfully submitted,

Committee of the Whole, Chair