

Lake County Illinois

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



Meeting Minutes - Final

Wednesday, December 8, 2021

8:30 AM

Meeting held by video conference. The public can register to
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Public Works, Planning & Transportation Committee

Pursuant to Section 7(e) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act, the current Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation, and the Board 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.)

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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: Public Works, Planning and Transportation 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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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 Durkin called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

Chair Durkin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **Roll Call of Members**

Present 6 - Member Clark, Chair Durkin, Member Maine, Member Vealitzek, Member Wasik and Member Wilke

Absent 1 - Vice Chair Pedersen

**Electronic Attendance: All Members*

Other Attendees:

Abby Scalf, Communications

Al Giertych, Division of Transportation

Alex Carr, Communications

Austin McFarlane, Public Works

Carissa Casbon, Board Member

Carl Kirar, Facilities

Cassandra Hiller, County Administrator's Office

Chris Anderson-Sell, Communications

Eric Steffen, Planning, Building and Development

Eric Waggoner, Planning, Building and Development

Gary Gibson, County Administrator's Office

Gina Roberts, Board Member

James Anderson, Lake County Forest Preserves

James Hawkins, County Administrator's Office

Janna Philipp, County Administrator's Office

Joel Sensenig, Public Works

Jon Nelson, Division of Transportation

Joseph Arcus, Planning, Building, and Development

Julie Simpson, Board Member

Karen Fox, State's Attorney's Office

Kevin Hunter, Board Member

Krista Braun, Planning, Building, and Development

Kristy Cechini, County Board Office

Kurt Woolford, Stormwater Management

Larry Mackey, Health Department
Lisle Stalter, State's Attorney's Office
Marah Altenberg, Board Member
Mary Crain, Division of Transportation
Mary Ross Cunningham, Board Member
Matt Meyers, County Administrator's Office
Melissa Gallagher, Finance
Michael Danforth, Board Member
Paras Parekh, Board Member
Patrice Sutton, Finance
Paul Frank, Board Member
Peter Adrian, Solid Waste Agency of Lake County
Robert Springer, Planning, Building and Development
RuthAnne Hall, Purchasing
Sandy Hart, Board Member
Shane Schneider, Division of Transportation
Stacy Davis-Wynn, Purchasing
Theresa Glatzhofer, County Board Office
Walter Willis, Solid Waste Agency of Lake County
Yvette Albarran, Purchasing
Adam Zawislak, Daily Herald
Austin Knight, DuPage County
Jennifer Vackar, Grant Township
Jon Cokefair, First Fire Protection District of Antioch/ Antioch Fire Department
Kelly Kirkman, RSM US LLP
Lincoln Knight, Wauconda Township
Scott Weisbruch, Wauconda Township Highway
Andrew Gibson, public
Ben Miller, public
Bill Jackel, public
Bob Waller, public
Brian O'Donnell, public
Bruce Goeckner, public
Carol Smith, public
Casey Kobeszko, public
Cathleen Dohrn, public
Charles Sommer, public
Chris Boreland, public
Chris Geiselhart, public
Conrad Stanek, public
D. G., public
Debbie Egger, public

Dennis Malec, public
Donald Harper, public
Donna Hymel, public
Doris Hodes, public
Dunkelberg Dunkelberg, public
Emily Petrusky, public
Erin Marbach, public
Gerald Dismer, public
Jack Raslawski, public
Janelle Duchaine, public
Janet A Smart, public
Jennifer Lueck, public
Joel Kos, public
John Travers, public
Judy Evans, public
Judy Martini, public
Karen Romano, public
Kathy Faber, public
Kenneth Schramer, public
Kim Isaacson, public
Kim Kiesgen, public
Larry Leafblad, public
Leslie Perry, public
Lori Knutson, public
M Yarbrough, public
Marc Kaplan, public
Martin Bodnar, public
Mary Fortmann, public
Michael Flaws, public
Michael Romani, public
Mike McCarty, public
Patricia Murdock, public
Penny Gates, public
Peter Caracci, public
Ray Wicklander, public
Renee Zalatoris, public
Richard Browne, public
Robert Taylor, public
Ron Wendricks, public
Ronald Marotta, public
Ronnie Belcher, public
Rozz Hunter, public

Sarah Luszczuk, public
Sarah Surroz, public
Steve Carlson, public
Sue Obecny, public
Sunshine Kurman, public
Tim Damato, public
Vojt Barys, public
Wendy Litwitz, public
WRE, public
X Y, public

4. Addenda to the Agenda

There were no additions or adjustments to the agenda.

5. Public Comment (Items not on the agenda)

Public comment will be heard later in the meeting.

6. Chair's Remarks

Chair Durkin had no remarks.

7. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

8. New Business

REGULAR AGENDA

PUBLIC WORKS

8.1 21-1909

Presentation of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 Schedule of Income and Expenses for the County's Northwest System, Northeast Central System, and Southeast Sanitary Sewer Systems.

Attachments: [21-1909 LCPW Northeast Central Wholesale Sewer System 2020](#)

[21-1909 LCPW Northwest Wholesale Sewer System 2020](#)

[21-1909 LCPW Southeast Wholesale Sewer System 2020](#)

Austin McFarlane, Public Works Interim Director, explained the purpose of the regional reports is to satisfy the requirements in their sewer agreement with wholesalers. He introduced Kelly Kirkman, Senior Manager with RSM, to provide a summary of the reports.

This matter was presented.

8.2 21-0053

Director's Report - Public Works.

Austin McFarlane, Public Works Interim Director, thanked the Committee for their

patience and support for Public Works over the last year and wished everyone a safe and Happy Holiday.

DIVISION OF TRANSPORTATION

8.3 [21-0051](#)

Director's Report - Division of Transportation.

Shane Schneider, Division of Transportation Director, had no report but wanted to wish everyone Happy Holidays.

PLANNING, BUILDING and DEVELOPMENT

8.4 [21-1910](#)

Committee action to amend an agreement extending the Final Plat approval date for the Wanish Park Planned Unit Development (PUD).

Attachments: [Info Paper 12 8 21](#)
[Request for Sixth Extension](#)
[Wanish Ext Req 12 8 21](#)
[Wanish Park PUD Final Plan](#)
[Wanish Sixth Agreement signed](#)

Eric Waggoner, Planning, Building and Development Director, introduced Krista Braun, Planning and Zoning Manager, to provide a background of the project and the details of the request. She explained the project was delayed due to the economic downturn in 2008. Five amendments to the development agreement have been approved since 2012, and the fifth amendment is set to expire. This sixth amendment is for two years and it requires compliance with the current Lake County Code and Watershed Development Ordinance. Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Member Wasik, seconded by Member Vealitzek, that this committee action item be approved. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 6 - Member Clark, Chair Durkin, Member Maine, Member Vealitzek, Member Wasik and Member Wilke

Absent: 1 - Vice Chair Pedersen

8.5 [21-1881](#)

Discussion of franchise agreement highlights for residential waste collection service for non-exempted unincorporated areas in Lake County.

Attachments: [PWPT-1881-1882-PPT-OpenBurningWasteHauling-12.8](#)

Eric Waggoner, Planning, Building and Development Director, began the presentation stating they have publicized the discussion through various outreach sources. Also, they combined the two agenda items, franchising for waste hauling services in unincorporated areas and the draft ordinance to restrict open burning of landscape waste in unincorporated areas, into one presentation.

Krista Braun, Planning, Building and Development, explained the public engagement efforts and went over the timeline and status.

RuthAnne Hall, Purchasing, explained the waste hauling contracts. The goal was to expand the range of services at a competitive cost. There will be two contracts, one for NW/NE and SW/SE quadrants. There is also a landscape service option and a 10% senior discount. It is a five-year agreement without an option to renew.

Director Waggoner asked if it was okay to continue the presentation into the other agenda item. Chair Durkin read the agenda item 8.6 title and proposed that both items be presented together and asked if the Committee had any questions about taking them together. There were no questions, the presentation continued and agenda items 8.5 & 8.6 were discussed together.

Joe Arcus, Senior Planner, presented the Chapter 94 Draft changes to the public nuisance ordinance. Modifications were based on committee feedback and a town hall meeting. They include clarifications and definitions.

Next steps: Bring the two items back at the January PWPT meeting for Joint Committee action and the County Board for final approval. If approved, the start date for service is estimated to be June 1st, if the Board takes action in January to approve the ordinance and contracts. They will come back in the winter about the temporary burning restrictions until the permanent restrictions are in effect.

The following provided public comment against the open burning restrictions:

Lori Knutson

Brian O'Donnell

Erin Marbach

Martin Bodnar

Ronnie Belcher

Kim Isaacson

Joel Kos

Vojt Barys

Leslie Perry

Conrad Stanek

Michael Flaws

Ron Wendricks

Joe Szmasko (in person)

Mike MCarty

Marc Kaplan

Bruce Goeckner

The following provided public comment in support of the open burning restrictions:

Larry Leafblad (with flexibility)

Chris Geiselhart

The following provided public comment on waste hauling concerns:

Lori Knutson

Erin Marbach

Kim Isaacson

Joel Kos

Vojt Barys

Joe Szmasko (in person)

Judy Martini

Mike MCarty

The following provided public comment in support of one waste hauler:

Gerald Dismer

Matt Meyers, Assistant County Administrator, concluded the public comment at 10:15 a.m.

Chair Durkin let Director Waggoner speak before the Committee discussion. Director Waggoner thanked everyone who took the time to speak. He wanted to clarify the agreement and the ordinance. For the Waste Franchise Agreement, this doesn't affect Home Owner's Associations (HOA) that already have a contract with a hauler. There are certain exempt areas including townships that have previously enacted franchise agreements, and any HOAs that previously executed contracts with a single hauler. Also, for the overall costs concerns, people can opt-out of the landscape service. Opening Burning – The draft does not prohibit the open burning of all landscape waste materials. Woody materials are allowed. Small (3'x3') recreational fires are allowed year-round. Burning of garbage, construction materials and junk and debris are already prohibited and enforced.

Discussion ensued.

Member Wilke left the meeting at 10:31 a.m.

Chair Durkin left the meeting at 10:34 a.m. and returned at 10:36 a.m.

Based on a straw poll of members present, Director Waggoner will bring back, for action, a version that has the original 500 foot setback exception and an alternate version ready to vote on if based on the direction of the Committee.

This matter was discussed

8.6 [21-1882](#)

Discussion of an ordinance amending Chapter 94: Public Nuisances of the Lake County, Illinois Code of Ordinances regulating open burning of landscape waste.

Attachments: [PWPT-21-1882-ExhibitA-OpenBurningOrdinance-12.8](#)
[PWPT-1881-1882-PPT-OpenBurningWasteHauling-12.8](#)

As stated in agenda item 8.5, Eric Waggoner, Planning, Building and Development Director, began the presentation stating they have publicized the discussion through various outreach sources. Also, they combined the two agenda items, franchising for waste hauling services in unincorporated areas and the draft ordinance to restrict open burning of landscape waste in unincorporated areas, into one presentation.

Agenda items 8.5 & 8.6 were discussed together.

This matter was discussed

8.7 [21-0052](#)

Director's Report - Planning Building and Development.

Eric Waggoner, Planning, Building and Development Director, had nothing to report. They will continue to keep the Committee members updated on communications to the public as well as progress in preparation for the January meeting.

9. County Administrator's Report

Matt Meyers, Assistant County Administrator, reported that the Energy & Environment Committee meeting was starting late, at 11:35am.

10. Executive Session

There was not an executive session.

11. Members' Remarks

Member Wasik remarked we should have better incentives for constituents to mulch and create better habitats through our building and zoning ordinances.

Chair Durkin commended the people on the Committee for the input and discussions. He thinks it's a great Committee.

12. Adjournment

Chair Durkin adjourned the meeting at 11:24 a.m.

Next Meeting: January 5, 2022

Minutes prepared by Janna Philipp.

Respectfully submitted,

Public Works, Planning and Transportation Committee Chair