

Lake County Illinois

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



Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday, October 17, 2023

8:30 AM

JOINT BUDGET HEARINGS

**Assembly Room, 10th Floor or register to virtually attend at
<https://bit.ly/48J8Hqd>**

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 attendance through an electronic conferencing application (register via the link on the front page of the agenda).

RECORDING: Meetings, to include Public Comment, will be recorded.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Time is reserved near the beginning of the meeting for all Public Comment. At the Chair's discretion, Public Comment for an item(s) on the agenda may be presented during consideration of that specific item. Public Comment will proceed in the following order: (1) Public Comment by individuals in attendance and then (2) Public Comment by individuals attending remotely through an electronic conferencing application. Individuals 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)). Written comments will be circulated to the Members, but not read aloud.

Individuals providing Public Comment will provide the following information:

Meeting: Joint Budget Hearing (Subject line for written Public Comment)

Topic or Agenda Item #: (REQUIRED)

Name: (REQUIRED)

Organization/Entity Represented: (REQUIRED) ("Self" if representing self)

Street Address, City, State: (Optional)

Phone Number: (Optional)

Email: May be REQUIRED for remote attendance

1. Call to Order

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

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Member Clarke led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call of Members

Present 7 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth,
Member Hewitt, Member Knizhnik, Member Maine and Chair Parekh

Member Hewitt joined the meeting at 8:34 a.m.

Other Attendees:

*Joint Budget Hearing with Financial and Administrative
In Person:*

Angela Cooper, 19th Judicial Circuit Court

Andrew Tangen, Veteran Assistance Commission

Bill Morris, Public

Bob Glueckert, County Assessor's Office

Brenda O'Connell, Community Development

Carissa Casbon, Board Member

Carl Kirar, Facilities and Construction Services

Cassandra Hiller, County Administrator's Office

Chris Anderson-Sell, Communications

Cynthia Pruiim-Haran, Clerk's Office

Emily Mitchell, Workforce Development

Eric Waggoner, Planning, Building and Development

Gary Gibson, County Administrator's Office

Gina Roberts, Board Member

Jennifer Serino, Workforce Development

Jenny Brennan, Communications

Jerry Nordstrom, Health Department

Jim Hawkins, County Administrator's Office

John Light, Human Resources

John Wurl, Health Department

Joy Gossman, Public Defender

Kristy Cechini, County Board Office

Larry Mackey, Health Department

Mark Pfister, Health Department

Matt Meyers, County Administrator's Office

Melissa Gallagher, Finance

Michael Karner, Regional Office of Education

Michele Slav, Community Development

Mike Wheeler, Finance

Nick Principali, Finance

Pam Riley, Health Department

Patrice Sutton, Finance
Sam Johnson, Health Department
Tammy Chatman, Communications
Todd Schroeder, 19th Judicial Circuit Court
Vernesha Lawrence, Finance

*Joint Budget Hearing with Financial and Administrative
Electronically:*

Abby Krakow, Communications
Adam Krueger, Finance
Adam Zawislak, Daily Herald
Alex Carr, Communications
Andrew Bookman, State's Attorney's Office
Anthony Vega, County Clerk's Office
Ashley Rack, Sheriff's Office
Austin McFarlane, Public Works
Bailey Miller, Communications
Brea Barnes, Finance
Brian Keenan, County Clerk's Office
Chris Blanding, Enterprise Information Technology
Claudia Gilhooley, 19th Judicial Circuit Court
Cynthia Pruiam Haran, Recorder of Deeds Office
Dominic Strezo, Planning, Building, and Development
Elizabeth Brandon, County Administrator's Office
Erin Cartwright Weinstein, Circuit Court Clerk
Errol Lagman, Finance
Heidie Hernandez, Enterprise Information Technology
Holly Kim, Treasurer
Irshad Khan, Facilities and Construction
Jamie Helton, State's Attorney's Office
Janna Philipp, County Administrator's Office
JazMine' Evans, Finance
Joel Sensenig, Public Works
Jolanda Dinkins, County Board Office
Justine Gilbert, Communications
Karen Fox, State's Attorney's Office
Kathleen Rhey, Enterprise Information Technology
Kevin Carrier, Division of Transportation
Kevin Dominguez, Finance
Kevin Hunter, Board Member
Krista Kennedy, Finance
Kurt Woolford, Stormwater Management
Lisa Wolf, Regional Office of Education
Mary Crain, Division of Transportation
Mary Kann, Forest Preserve
Melanie Nelson, State's Attorney's Office

Micah Thornton, Circuit Clerk's Office
Michael Maslana, Enterprise Information Technology
Nicole Farrow, State's Attorney's Office
Ruby Acosta, Finance
RuthAnne Hall, Purchasing
Shane Schneider, Division of Transportation
Stacy Davis Wynn, Purchasing
Stephen Gray, Treasurer's Office
Stephen Newton, Coroner's Office
Stephen Rice, State's Attorney's Office
Steve Spagnolo, State's Attorney's Office
Terri Kath, Enterprise Information Technology
Theresa Glatzhofer, County Board Office
Tricia Jones, Finance
Yvette Albarran, Purchasing

4. Addenda to the Agenda

There were no additions or amendments to the agenda.

5. Public Comment

Member Hewitt joined the meeting at 8:34 a.m.

Public Comment was made by:
Bill Morris

6. Chair's Remarks

Chair Parekh welcomed everyone.

7. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business to discuss.

8. New Business

REGULAR AGENDA

8.F1 [23-1464](#)

Presentation and consideration of proposed Fiscal Year 2024 Budget (see complete recommended budget attached).

Attachments: [FY24 Recommended Budget](#)

Patrice Sutton, Chief Financial Officer, and Mike Wheeler, Financial Officer, provided a presentation on the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget. Discussion ensued.

Gary Gibson, County Administrator, thanked Patrice Sutton and her staff for all of the hard work that has been done.

HEALTH & COMMUNITY SERVICES

8.H1 [23-1465](#)

Joint committee action approving the recommended Fiscal Year 2024 budget for

Community Development (HUD Grants) (FY24 Recommended Budget, pg. 217).
Eric Waggoner, Planning, Building and Development Director, introduced Brenda O'Connell, Community Development Administrator, who provided an overview of the Community Development budget. Discussion ensued.

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

Aye: 7 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Hewitt, Member Knizhnik, Member Maine and Chair Parekh

8.H2 [23-1466](#)

Joint committee action approving the recommended Fiscal Year 2024 budget for the Regional Office of Education (FY24 Recommended Budget, pg. 129).

Michael Karner, Regional Superintendent of Schools, provided an overview of the Regional Office of Education budget. Discussion ensued.

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

Aye: 7 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Hewitt, Member Knizhnik, Member Maine and Chair Parekh

8.H3 [23-1467](#)

Joint committee action approving the recommended Fiscal Year 2024 budget for the Workforce Development Department (FY24 Recommended Budget, pg. 296).

Jennifer Serino, Workforce Development Director, introduced Emily Mitchell, Workforce Development Business Manager, and provided an overview of the Workforce Development budget. Discussion ensued.

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

Aye: 7 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Hewitt, Member Knizhnik, Member Maine and Chair Parekh

8.H4 [23-1468](#)

Joint committee action approving the recommended Fiscal Year 2024 budget for the Health Department (FY24 Recommended Budget, pg. 176).

Items 8.H4 through 8.H6 were discussed and voted on together.

Mark Pfister, Health Department Executive Director, introduced Pam Riley, Health Department Chief Financial Officer, and provided an overview of the Health Department, Tuberculosis Clinic, and the Special Service Area Number Eight - Loon Lake budgets. Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Member Ross Cunningham, seconded by Member Knizhnik, that committee action items 8.H4 through 8.H6 be approved and referred on to the

Financial and Administrative CommitteeThe motion carried by the following voice vote.

Aye: 7 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Hewitt, Member Knizhnik, Member Maine and Chair Parekh

8.H5 [23-1469](#)

Joint committee action approving the recommended Fiscal Year 2024 budget for the Tuberculosis (TB) Clinic (FY24 Recommended Budget, pg. 204).

Items 8.H4 through 8.H6 were discussed and voted on together. See consolidated notes under Item 8.H4.

A motion was made by Member Ross Cunningham, seconded by Member Knizhnik, that committee action items 8.H4 through 8.H6 be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative CommitteeThe motion carried by the following voice vote.

Aye: 7 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Hewitt, Member Knizhnik, Member Maine and Chair Parekh

8.H6 [23-1470](#)

Joint committee action approving the recommended Fiscal Year 2024 budget for Special Service Area Number Eight (SSA # 8) - Loon Lake (FY24 Recommended Budget, pg. 341).

Items 8.H4 through 8.H6 were discussed and voted on together. See consolidated notes under Item 8.H4.

A motion was made by Member Ross Cunningham, seconded by Member Knizhnik, that committee action items 8.H4 through 8.H6 be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative CommitteeThe motion carried by the following voice vote.

Aye: 7 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Hewitt, Member Knizhnik, Member Maine and Chair Parekh

8.H7 [23-1471](#)

Joint committee action accepting the Veterans Assistance Commission Adopted Fiscal Year 2024 Budget (FY24 Recommended Budget, pg. 405)

Andrew Tangen, Veterans Assistance Commission Superintendent, provided an overview of the adopted Veterans Assistance Commission's budget. Discussion ensued.

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

Aye: 7 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Hewitt, Member Knizhnik, Member Maine and Chair Parekh

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

There were no remarks or requests by Members.

12. Adjournment

Chair Parekh declared the meeting adjourned at 10:16 a.m.

Next Meeting: October 31, 2023

Meeting minutes prepared by Kristy Cechini