

Lake County Illinois

*Lake County Health Department and Community Health Center
3010 Grand Avenue
Waukegan, Illinois
Conference Room #3112*



Meeting Minutes - Draft

Wednesday, November 19, 2025

6:00 PM

3010 Grand Ave., Waukegan, IL

Lake County Board of Health

1. Call to Order

President Sashko called the meeting to order at 6:23 pm

2. Roll Call of Members

Present 8 - President Sashko, Secretary DeVaux, Member-at-Large Maine, Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D., Member Soulakis Ph.D., Member Cerk, Member-at-Large Hagstrom D.D.S. and Member McDowell M.D.

Absent 3 - Member Parekh, Member Belmonte D.O. and Member Larson Ph.D.

Excused 1 - Vice President Johnson Jones Ed.D.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

This matter was presented

4. Public Comment to the Board**5. Awards and Recognition****5.1**

Resolution recognizing the service and contributions of Charles Fornero, member of the Lake County Health Department and Community Health Center's Governing Council on his retirement.

On behalf of the Board of Health and the Lake County Health Department, Board of Health President Tim Sashko presented Governing Council Chair Charles Fornero with a resolution recognizing his service and contributions and extending best wishes upon his retirement.

Governing Council Chair Charles Fornero offered remarks to the Board of Health, the Lake County Health Department staff, and the Governing Council.

This matter was presented

6. Presentations**6.1**

Salmonella Outbreak Presentation - Ahmed & Smith

Attachments: [Nov 2025 BOH Salmonella Outbreak Investigation](#)

Dr. Sana Ahmed and Environmental Health Program Coordinator Pamela Smith provided a detailed presentation regarding a Salmonella outbreak within Lake County. The presentation outlined the investigation process, identification of the source, and the corrective actions implemented.

Member Soulakis inquired whether the Salmonella outbreak was identified through routine annual inspections or if it involved a newly established restaurant. Environmental Health Program Coordinator Pamela Smith responded that the restaurant undergoes annual

inspections and has been established for more than 20 years. She further explained that the facility is inspected more frequently than required by the State, with inspections conducted every four months.

Member Soulakis followed up by asking whether the contamination may have been related to the pork rather than food preparation practices. Ms. Smith responded that while the conclusion cannot be stated with absolute certainty, the absence of additional Salmonella cases from other restaurants and the use of three different pigs indicate that the preparation of the pork was most likely source of contamination.

This matter was presented

7. President's Report

President Sashko reported the following:

1. President Sashko congratulated Member Belmonte on his appointment as Vice President of Pediatric Population Health and Care Modeling at Advocate Children's Hospital.

2. President Sashko reported that a meeting will be scheduled for the Board of Health Executive Committee to discuss the appointment and reappointment of Licensed Independent Practitioners.

8. Consent Agenda

President Sashko asked for a motion to adopt the consent agenda and approve items 8.1 - 8.4. Motion by Member DeVaux, Second by Member Pollina. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 8 - President Sashko, Secretary DeVaux, Member-at-Large Maine, Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D., Member Soulakis Ph.D., Member Cerk, Member-at-Large Hagstrom D.D.S. and Member McDowell M.D.

Absent: 3 - Member Parekh, Member Belmonte D.O. and Member Larson Ph.D.

8.1

October 22, 2025, Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [BOH 10.22.25 Meeting Minutes - DRAFT](#)

8.2

Annual Routine Action Items - Johnson

Attachments: [RESOLUTION ON AUTHORIZED SIGNATORS 2026 REDLINE](#)
[RESOLUTION ON AUTHORIZED SIGNATORS 2026](#)
[RESOLUTION ON LIVESTOCK AGREEMENTS 2026 REDLINE](#)
[RESOLUTION ON LIVESTOCK AGREEMENTS 2026](#)
[LIVESTOCK AGREEMENT 2026 TEMPLATE](#)
[RESOLUTION ON JOINT PURCHASING PROGRAMS CONSORTIUMS /](#)
[RESOLUTION ON JOINT PURCHASING PROGRAMS CONSORTIUMS /](#)
[GRANT POLICIES 2026 REDLINE](#)
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8.3

Illinois Department of Public Health, Cities Readiness Initiative \$106,013 - Grant Renewal Approval - Kritz

Attachments: [Emergency Appropriation - CRI 11.4.25](#)

8.4

Illinois Department of Public Health, Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program \$6,148 - Grant Increase Approval - Kritz

Attachments: [Emergency Appropriation - PHEP 11.4.25](#)

9. Regular Agenda**9.1**

Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, Child and Adolescent Behavioral Services, Intensive Placement Stabilization \$7,083 - Grant Increase Approval - Esser

Attachments: [Emergency Appropriation - CABS IPS 11.3.25](#)

President Sashko asked for a motion to approve the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, Child and Adolescent Behavioral Services, Intensive Placement Stabilization additional grant funding of \$7,083 and emergency appropriate \$2,951 for FY25. Motion by Member Soulakis, second by Member DeVaux. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 8 - President Sashko, Secretary DeVaux, Member-at-Large Maine, Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D., Member Soulakis Ph.D., Member Cerk, Member-at-Large Hagstrom D.D.S. and Member McDowell M.D.

Absent: 3 - Member Parekh, Member Belmonte D.O. and Member Larson Ph.D.

9.2

Animal Control ICOPS Contract Renewal - Johnson

Attachments: [25-1497 Animal Control - Redline](#)
 [25-1497 Animal Control](#)

President Sashko asked for a motion to approve the labor agreement between Lake County, Lake County Board of Health and Illinois Council of Police covering animal control employees. Motion by Member Hagstrom, second by Member Cerk. Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.

Aye: 8 - President Sashko, Secretary DeVaux, Member-at-Large Maine, Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D., Member Soulakis Ph.D., Member Cerk, Member-at-Large Hagstrom D.D.S. and Member McDowell M.D.

Absent: 3 - Member Parekh, Member Belmonte D.O. and Member Larson Ph.D.

9.3

Licensed Independent Practitioner (LIP) Privileging and Credentialing, Reappointment, Approval of Privileges, Revision of Privileges - Maine

This matter was postponed as the Board of Health Credentialing Committee was unable to meet due to a lack of quorum.

10. Discussion Items

None

11. Attachments for Board Review

11.1

Media Placement Highlights - Johnson

Attachments: [Media Placement Highlights 202510](#)

12. Lake County Community Health Center Governing Council Update

Director of Healthcare Operations, Kim Burke, reported that the Governing Council met for their regularly scheduled meeting on November 18, 2025.

13. Lake County Tuberculosis Board Update

Prevention Director, Lisa Kritz, informed that there were no significant updates as the TB Board has not met.

14. Added to Agenda Items

None

15. Old Business

None

16. New Business

None

17. Executive Session

17.1

5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) Personnel Matters - Sashko

President Sashko asked for a motion to enter in to executive session. Motion by Member McDowell, second by Member Cerk. Executive session entered at 7:21 p.m.

Aye: 8 - President Sashko, Secretary DeVaux, Member-at-Large Maine, Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D., Member Soulakis Ph.D., Member Cerk, Member-at-Large Hagstrom D.D.S. and Member McDowell M.D.

Absent: 3 - Member Parekh, Member Belmonte D.O. and Member Larson Ph.D.

18. Adjournment

President Sashko adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.