

# 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**

**10:30 AM**

**or 10 minutes after the conclusion of the Public Works, Planning  
& Transportation Committee, whichever is later.**

**Meeting held by video conference. The public can register to  
attend remotely at: <https://bit.ly/3o72fnz>**

**Energy & Environment 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.)

**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](mailto: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: Energy and Environment 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")

\*\*\*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 Parekh called the meeting to order at 11:41 a.m.*

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

*Vice Chair Parekh led the Pledge of Allegiance.*

**3. Roll Call of Members**

**Present** 6 - Member Altenberg, Member Barr, Member Hunter, Vice Chair Parekh, Member Wasik and Hart

**Absent** 2 - Member Hewitt and Chair Wilke

*\*Electronic Attendance: All Members*

*Matt Meyers, Assistant County Administrator, stated that County Board Chair Sandy Hart is present as an ex officio member of all committees and is participating in the discussion and deliberation of the Committee and has the right to vote, as her presence is constituting a quorum.*

*(Member Altenberg joined the meeting at 11:44 a.m.)*

*Other Attendees:*

*Abby Scalf, Communications*

*Ann Maine, Board Member*

*Anna Maria Kowalik, IECA*

*Carissa Casbon, Board Member*

*Carl Kirar, Facilities*

*Cassandra Hiller, County Administrator's Office*

*Chris Anderson-Sell, Communications*

*Daniel Brown, State's Attorney's Office*

*Donnie Dann, Public*

*Edward Bryant, Public*

*Eric Waggoner, Planning, Building and Development*

*Gary Gibson, County Administrator's Office*

*James Hawkins, County Administrator's Office*

*Jennifer Futterman, Go Green Highland Park*

*Jessica Vealitzek, Board Member*

*Joseph Arcus, Planning, Building, and Development*

*Julie Simpson, Board Member*

*Karen Fox, State's Attorney's Office*

*Krista Braun, Planning, Building, and Development*

*Krista Kennedy, Finance*

*Matt Meyers, County Administrator's Office*  
*Mick Zawislak, Daily Herald*  
*Patrice Sutton, Finance*  
*Paul Frank, Board Member*  
*Rob Nash, Illinois Beverage Association*  
*RuthAnne Hall, Purchasing*  
*Seema Patel, Chapman and Kutler*  
*Simrata Keshav, Go Green Vernon Hills and Lincolnshire*  
*Stacy Davis-Wynn, Purchasing*  
*Susan August, Purchasing*  
*Walter Willis, Solid Waste Agency of Lake County*  
*Yvette Albarran, Purchasing*

**4. Addenda to the Agenda**

*There were no additions or amendments to the agenda.*

**5. Public Comment (Items not on the agenda)**

*Matt Meyers, Assistant County Administrator, read the public comment instructions. There were no public comments for items not on the agenda. Public comment will be later in the meeting.*

**6. Chair's Remarks**

*There were no Chair remarks.*

**7. Unfinished Business**

*There was no unfinished business.*

**8. New Business**

**CONSENT AGENDA (Item 8.1 -8.2)**

**Approval of Minutes**

**8.1 [21-1930](#)**

Meeting Minutes from October 6, 2021.

**Attachments:** [E&E 10.6.21 Minutes - Final](#)

**A motion was made by Member Altenberg, seconded by Member Hunter, that the minutes from October 6, 2021 be approved. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Member Altenberg, Member Hunter, Vice Chair Parekh, Member Wasik and Hart

**Absent:** 2 - Member Hewitt and Chair Wilke

**Not Present:** 1 - Member Barr

**8.2 [21-1932](#)**

Meeting Minutes from November 3, 2021.

**Attachments:** [E&E 11.3.21 Minutes - Final](#)

**A motion was made by Member Altenberg, seconded by Member Hunter, that the minutes from November 3, 2021 be approved. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Member Altenberg, Member Hunter, Vice Chair Parekh, Member Wasik and Hart

**Absent:** 2 - Member Hewitt and Chair Wilke

**Not Present:** 1 - Member Barr

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **8.3 [21-1927](#)**

Ordinance establishing a Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy (C-PACE) Program in Lake County.

**Attachments:** [Lake County IECA Pace Program Ordinance](#)

[Ord Ex A - Lake Program Report IECA](#)

[Ord Ex B - Lake County - Program Development Administrative Services A](#)

[Ord Ex C - Lake County IECA Form PACE Revenue Note](#)

[Prog Reprt Ex A - Lake County Form IECA Assessment Contract](#)

*(Member Barr entered the meeting at 11:47 a.m.)*

*(County Board Chair Hart, left the meeting at 11:57 a.m.)*

*Matt Meyers, Assistant County Administrator, presented this item establishing the Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy (C-PACE) Program in Lake County. Assistant County Administrator Meyers provided history of the implementation and noted that the program does not include residential properties. He introduced Seema Patel from Chapman and Kutler, along with Anna Maria Kowalik from the Illinois Energy Conservation Authority (IECA) to provide a brief introduction to the program. Seema explained that C-PACE provides an opportunity for property owners to implement energy efficiency projects. Seema and Anna Marie explained in greater detail the roles of Lake County, the property owner and the capital provider in this C-PACE partnership. Discussion ensued.*

**A motion was made by Member Altenberg, seconded by Member Wasik, that this ordinance be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Member Altenberg, Member Barr, Member Hunter, Vice Chair Parekh and Member Wasik

**Absent:** 2 - Member Hewitt and Chair Wilke

**Not Present:** 1 - Hart

**8.4 [21-1928](#)**

Joint resolution adopting a policy to prohibit single use plastics in Lake County's operations by January 1, 2023.

**Attachments:** [Policy 21-1928 - Prohibition on Single Use Plastics](#)

*Matt Meyers, Assistant County Administrator, introduced the individuals providing public comment.*

*The following provided public comment in support of the Single Use Plastics Policy:*

*Donnie Dann  
Jennifer Futterman  
Simrata Keshav  
Peter Gore  
Christine Young  
Sharon Star*

*The following provided public comment against the Single Use Plastics Policy:*

*Rob Nash*

*Discussion ensued. Assistant County Administrator Meyers explained the three options that were presented at the last meeting to reduce single use plastics in Lake County and noted it would primarily affect the cafeteria and coffee kiosk. Additional discussion ensued.*

**A motion was made by Member Altenberg, seconded by Member Wasik, that this resolution be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Member Altenberg, Member Hunter, Vice Chair Parekh and Member Wasik

**Nay:** 1 - Member Barr

**Absent:** 2 - Member Hewitt and Chair Wilke

**Not Present:** 1 - Hart

**9. County Administrator's Report**

*Matt Meyers, Assistant County Administrator, reported that the meeting is often delayed due to the Public Works, Planning and Transportation (PWPT) Committee meetings running long. It is in the rules that the meeting starts at 10:30am and it would have to go to the Rules Committee to make a permanent change. He can work with the Chair, with consent of the Committee, to push back a start time when he knows there is a potential item that may cause the PWPT meeting to run long.*

**10. Executive Session**

*There was not an executive session.*

**11. Members' Remarks**

*Member Wasik suggested two agenda items for the next meeting, including an update on the installation of solar panels on County facilities and also an update on the hiring process for the Sustainability Coordinator.*

*Vice Chair Parekh explained that it's a challenge for him when the meetings start later and he would like consideration of a different start time. Also, this was one of his most enjoyable meetings because two important items are being moved forward.*

**12. Adjournment**

*Vice Chair Parekh adjourned the meeting at 1:05 p.m.*

**Next Meeting: January 5, 2022**

*Minutes prepared by Janna Philipp.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

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*Energy and Environment Committee Chair*