

Lake County Illinois

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



Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday, April 7, 2026

8:30 AM

Assembly Room, 10th Floor or register for remote attendance at:
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Health and Community Services Committee

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1. Call to Order

Vice Chair Altenberg called the meeting to order at 8:33 a.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Member Casbon led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call of Members

Present 6 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Casbon, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Knizhnik and Ex-Officio Member Hart

Absent 2 - Member Maine and Chair Parekh

**Electronic Attendance: Member Cunningham, due to personal illness and Member Knizhnik, due to employment reasons*

The physical presence of the County Board Chair constitutes a physical quorum.

Other Attendees

In Person:

Dominic Strezo, Planning, Building and Development

Eric Waggoner, Planning, Building and Development

Michele Esser, Health Department

Chris Hoff, Health Department

Lacey Simpson, County Administrator's Office

RuthAnne Hall, County Administrator's Office

Patrice Sutton, County Administrator's Office

Kevin Quinn, Communications

Theresa Glatzhofer, County Board Office

Electronically:

Jennifer Brennan, Communications

Sonia Hernandez, County Administrator's Office

Christine Sher, Stormwater Management

4. Addenda to the Agenda

There were no additions or amendments to the agenda.

5. Public Comment

There were no comments from the public.

6. Chair's Remarks

There were no remarks from the Chair.

7. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business to discuss.

8. New Business

CONSENT AGENDA (Item 8.1)

MINUTES

8.1 [26-0337](#)

Committee action approving the Health and Community Services Committee minutes from March 3, 2026.

Attachments: [HCS 3.3.26 Final Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Member Casbon, seconded by Member Danforth, that these minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Aye: 5 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Casbon, Member Danforth, Member Knizhnik and Ex-Officio Member Hart

Absent: 2 - Member Maine and Chair Parekh

Not Present: 1 - Member Ross Cunningham

REGULAR AGENDA

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

8.2 [26-0301](#)

Joint resolution approving the Program Year 2026 Lake County Opioid Settlement Funds (OSF) funding recommendations of \$405,000.

Attachments: [PY2026 Opioid Memo FINAL](#)

RuthAnne Hall, Assistant County Administrator, explained that this item is to approve the Program Year 2026 Lake County Opioid Settlement Funds funding recommendations. Discussion ensued.

Member Cunningham entered the meeting at 8:39 a.m.

A motion was made by Member Casbon, seconded by Member Danforth, that this resolution be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Aye: 6 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Casbon, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Knizhnik and Ex-Officio Member Hart

Absent: 2 - Member Maine and Chair Parekh

8.3 [26-0386](#)

Joint resolution approving an allocation of Lake County Opioid Settlement Funds (OSF) to the Lake County Health Department - Behavioral Health Services Division for stabilizing and sustaining substance use disorder services for uninsured residents and authorizing an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$292,672.

Attachments: [LCHD Opioid Memo FINAL.pdf](#)
[EA OSF HD](#)

RuthAnne Hall, Assistant County Administrator, and Michele Esser, Director of Behavioral Health, Health Department, explained that this item is to approve an allocation of Lake County Opioid Settlement Funds to the Lake County Health Department - Behavioral Health Services Division. Discussion ensued.

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

Aye: 6 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Casbon, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Knizhnik and Ex-Officio Member Hart

Absent: 2 - Member Maine and Chair Parekh

8.4 [26-0319](#)

Joint resolution approving the fourth amendment to the Program Year 2025 (PY25) United States Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) Annual Action Plan (AAP).

Attachments: [PY25 AAP_4th AMENDMENT](#)

Dominic Strezo, Community Development Administrator, explained that this item is to approve the fourth amendment to the Program Year 2025 United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Annual Action Plan (AAP). Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Member Casbon, seconded by Member Danforth, that this resolution be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Aye: 6 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Casbon, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Knizhnik and Ex-Officio Member Hart

Absent: 2 - Member Maine and Chair Parekh

8.5 [26-0300](#)

Joint resolution approving the Program Year 2026 Video Gaming grant funding recommendations in the amount of \$841,100 and an emergency appropriation of \$16,100 from the Video Gaming Revenue Fund balance.

Attachments: [PY2026 Funding Recommendations Video Gaming.pdf](#)
[Emergency Appropriation VGR Grants Fund Balance 26-0300.pdf](#)

Dominic Strezo, Community Development Administrator, explained that this item is to approve the Program Year 2026 Video Gaming grant funding recommendations and an emergency appropriation from the Video Gaming Revenue Fund balance. Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Member Danforth, seconded by Member Cunningham, that this resolution be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative

Committee. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Aye: 5 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Knizhnik and Ex-Officio Member Hart

Absent: 2 - Member Maine and Chair Parekh

Recuse: 1 - Member Casbon

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 Member remarks or requests.

12. Adjournment

Vice Chair Altenberg declared the meeting adjourned at 8:55 a.m.

Next Meeting: April 28, 2026

Meeting minutes prepared by Theresa Glatzhofer.

Minutes were approved on May 5, 2026, by the Health and Community Services Committee.