

Lake County Illinois

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



Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday, September 2, 2025

10:30 AM

or 10 minutes after the conclusion of the Health and Community Services Committee, whichever is later.

Assembly Room, 10th Floor or register for remote attendance at:

<https://bit.ly/4mHUv6H>

Law & Judicial Committee

1. Call to Order

Chair Cunningham called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Cunningham led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call of Members

Present 7 - Member Altenberg, Chair Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Knizhnik, Member Kyle, Member Pedersen and Vice Chair Roberts

**Electronic Attendance: Members Altenberg and Knizhnik*

Other Attendees

In Person:

*Sandy Hart, County Board Chair
Chris Anderson-Sell, Communications
Jim Chamernik, Sheriff's Office
Charisce Nickles, Sheriff's Office
Mike Jeschke, Finance
Lisa Wolf, 19th Judicial Circuit Court
Karl Walldorf, 19th Judicial Circuit Court
Jo Gravitter, State's Attorney's Office
JB Brooks, State's Attorney's Office
RuthAnne Hall, County Administrator's Office
Matt Meyers, County Administrator's Office
Patrice Sutton, County Administrator's Office
Lacey Simpson, County Administrator's Office*

Electronically:

*Lawrence Oliver, Sheriff's Office
Abby Krakow, Communications
Yvette Albarran, Purchasing
John Muellner, Public
Chris Blanding, Enterprise Information Technology
Jennifer Brennan, Communications
Christine Sher, Stormwater Management
Sonia Hernandez, County Administrator's Office*

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 (Items 8.1 - 8.4)

MINUTES

8.1 25-1058

Committee action approving the Law and Judicial Committee minutes from August 5, 2025.

Attachments: [L&J 8.5.25 Final Minutes](#)

As part of a single motion for the entire Consent Agenda, a motion was made by Vice Chair Roberts, seconded by Member Danforth, that these minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Altenberg, Chair Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Knizhnik, Member Kyle, Member Pedersen and Vice Chair Roberts

REPORTS

8.2 25-1065

Report from Erin Cartwright Weinstein, Clerk of the Circuit Court, July 2025.

Attachments: [County Board Report FY25 - 07 July 2025.pdf](#)

As part of a single motion for the entire Consent Agenda, a motion was made by Vice Chair Roberts, seconded by Member Danforth, that this report be approved and recommended to the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Altenberg, Chair Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Knizhnik, Member Kyle, Member Pedersen and Vice Chair Roberts

8.3 25-1083

Report from Jennifer Banek, Coroner, for the month of June 2025.

Attachments: [L&JrepJUN25](#)

As part of a single motion for the entire Consent Agenda, a motion was made by Vice Chair Roberts, seconded by Member Danforth, that this report be approved and recommended to the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Altenberg, Chair Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Knizhnik, Member Kyle, Member Pedersen and Vice Chair Roberts

8.4 25-1051

Report from John D. Idleburg, Sheriff, for the month of July 2025.

Attachments: [Revenue Report JULY 2025](#)

As part of a single motion for the entire Consent Agenda, a motion was made by Vice Chair Roberts, seconded by Member Danforth, that this report be approved and recommended to the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Altenberg, Chair Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Knizhnik, Member Kyle, Member Pedersen and Vice Chair Roberts

REGULAR AGENDA

NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT

8.5 [25-1076](#)

Joint resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$50,000 in funding from the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services and ratifying the renewal of Intergovernmental Agreement for the 19th Judicial Circuit's Access and Visitation for State Fiscal Year (FY) 2026.

Attachments: [Access and Visitation Award.pdf](#)
[Emergency Approp Access and Visitation Grant SFY26 Sept 25.pdf](#)

Karl Walldorf, Executive Director, 19th Judicial Circuit Court, and Lisa Wolf, Finance Director, 19th Judicial Circuit Court, explained that this item is for a the renewal of an intergovernmental agreement for the 19th Judicial Circuit's Access and Visitation for Fiscal Year 2026. Discussion ensued.

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

8.6 [25-1077](#)

Joint resolution accepting the Illinois Department of Human Services Redeploy Illinois Grant; and approving an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$297,000.

Attachments: [FY26 Juvenile Redeploy Grant Agreement.pdf](#)
[Emergency Approp Juvenile Redeploy Grant SFY26_Sep 25.pdf](#)

Karl Walldorf, Executive Director, 19th Judicial Circuit Court, and Lisa Wolf, Finance Director, 19th Judicial Circuit Court, explained that this item is for an annual renewal of a grant that provides local programs for youth in underserved areas of Lake County.

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

Aye: 7 - Member Altenberg, Chair Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Knizhnik, Member Kyle, Member Pedersen and Vice Chair Roberts

8.7 [25-1078](#)

Joint resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation with offsetting revenue in the

amount of \$369,590 to implement Adult Redeploy Illinois programming for the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit Court.

Attachments: [Emergency Approp Adult Redeploy SFY26 Sept25.pdf](#)
[NOSA Adult Redeploy.pdf](#)

Karl Walldorf, Executive Director, 19th Judicial Circuit Court, and Lisa Wolf, Finance Director, 19th Judicial Circuit Court, explained that this item is for a grant renewal to implement Adult Redeploy programming for the 19th Judicial Circuit Court.

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

Aye: 7 - Member Altenberg, Chair Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Knizhnik, Member Kyle, Member Pedersen and Vice Chair Roberts

8.8 [25-1079](#)

Joint resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation with offsetting revenue in the amount of \$8,500 to support the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit Court's Self-Represented Litigant Program.

Attachments: [Emergency Approp Self Represented Litigants Sept25.pdf](#)
[SRL Award Notice.pdf](#)

Karl Walldorf, Executive Director, 19th Judicial Circuit Court, and Lisa Wolf, Finance Director, 19th Judicial Circuit Court, explained that this item is a grant renewal to support the work of the Court's Self-Represented Litigants Program.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Roberts, 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: 7 - Member Altenberg, Chair Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Knizhnik, Member Kyle, Member Pedersen and Vice Chair Roberts

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

8.9 [25-1052](#)

Joint resolution authorizing an agreement with Priority Dispatch Corp, of Salt Lake City, Utah, for purchase of a backend database as a shared service hosted by the Lake County Emergency Telephone System Board (ETSB) and for the Lake County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) in the amount of \$100,281.95.

Attachments: [2025-08-25 Lake County Sheriff Priority Dispatch Implementation Agreeeme](#)
[2025-08-12 Lake County Vendor Disclosure](#)

Jim Chamernik, Business Manager, Sheriff's Office, and Charisce Nickles, 9-1-1 Director, Sheriff's Office, explained that this item is for the purchase of a backend database hosted by the Lake County Emergency Telephone System Board and for the Lake County Sheriff's Office. Discussion ensued.

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

Aye: 6 - Member Altenberg, Chair Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Knizhnik, Member Kyle and Vice Chair Roberts

Nay: 1 - Member Pedersen

STATE'S ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

8.10 [25-1009](#)

Joint resolution authorizing the emergency appropriation of \$30,000 from the State's Attorney's Office Computer Fraud Forfeiture (Cyber) fund to pay software costs through the remainder of Fiscal Year (FY) 2025.

Attachments: [FY25 Computer Fraud Forfeiture Emerg Approp Detail 7.30.2025.pdf](#)

Jo Gravitter, Chief Deputy, Administrative Services, State's Attorney's Office (SAO), and JB Brooks, Cyber Lab Director, SAO, explained that this item is an emergency appropriation from the SAO Computer Fraud Forfeiture (Cyber) Fund to pay software costs through the remainder of Fiscal Year 2025.

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

Aye: 7 - Member Altenberg, Chair Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Knizhnik, Member Kyle, Member Pedersen and Vice Chair Roberts

9. County Administrator's Report

Matt Meyers, Deputy County Administrator, introduced Turk Bayasgalan, Intern, County Administrator's Office.

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

Chair Cunningham declared the meeting adjourned at 10:54 a.m.

Next Meeting: October 7, 2025

Meeting minutes prepared by Theresa Glatzhofer.