

# Lake County Illinois

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



## **Meeting Minutes - Final**

**Tuesday, September 22, 2009**

**10:00 AM**

**Joint Law and Judicial Committee and Financial and Administrative  
Committee Budget meeting**

**Assembly Room**

**Law and Judicial Committee**

**1.0 Call to Order**

*Chairs Nixon and Paxton called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.*

**Present** 6 - Chair Nixon, Member Cunningham, Vice Chair Gravenhorst, Member Carey, Member Feldman and Member Lawlor

**Absent** 1 - Member Calabresa

*F&A Committee members present: Chair Paxton, Vice-Chair Kyle, Member Bassi, Member Carter, Member Mountsier, Member O'Kelly, and Member Stolman.*

*Also present:*

*Barry Burton, County Administrator  
Suzi Schmidt, County Board Chairman  
Ann Maine, County Board Member  
Melinda Bush, County Board Member  
Collin O'Rourke, County Board Member  
Amy McEwan, Sr. Assistant County Administrator  
Dusty Powell, Sr. Assistant County Administrator  
Gary Gordon, Finance & Administrative Services  
Rich Hentschel, Finance & Administrative Services  
Andrea Norwood-Mathews, Finance & Administrative Services  
Michael Wheeler, Finance & Administrative Services  
Mike Gavin, Finance & Administrative Services  
Julie O'Brien, Finance & Administrative Services  
Mark Curran, Sheriff  
Rick Eckenstahler, Sheriff's Office  
Kevin Lyons, Sheriff's Office  
Chuck Fagan, Undersheriff  
Michael Blazincic, Sheriff's Office  
Bob Zastany, Court Administrator  
Marci Jumisko, Court Administration  
Phil Balke, IT  
Mary Lynne Schultz, IT  
Richard Keller, Coroner  
Sally Coffelt, Circuit Court Clerk  
Teri White, State's Attorney's Office  
Meg Marcouiller, Chief Deputy State's Attorney  
Joy Gossman, Public Defender  
Kelli Politte, Public Defender's Office  
James Booras, Chief Judge  
Craig Peterson, Public Investigator.net  
Mary Otahal, County Board Office*

**2.0 Pledge of Allegiance**

*Chairs Nixon and Paxton led the Committees in the Pledge of Allegiance.*

**3.0 Public Comment**

**4.0 New Business****Budget Comments***FY2010 Committee Budget Hearings Comments*

1. *The hearings today are for detail discussions regarding each departmental budget. (For the board members new to this process this is the opportunity to ask any questions regarding the details in any budget. Each budget will be presented in brief with a chance to ask questions thereafter.)*
2. *We have also provided you with an extra exhibit this year that outlines the steps each department has taken in the form of cuts to address the current economic conditions and to close an initial multi-million \$ budget gap. Most of these cuts are in the form of unfunding certain positions.*
3. *For calculating the recommend property tax levy for FY10 we are estimating new construction to be \$300 million. We appreciate the help of Marty Paulson, Chief County Assessor with developing this estimate.*
4. *Due to the economy over the last year, and the decline in State shared revenues, we are recommending a reduction in certain sales and income tax revenues compared to FY09. These are included in the County Board departmental budget.*
5. *In a couple instances the County Administrator's recommended budget increases revenue estimates from those submitted by departments. Those will be reviewed during the review of those departments affected.*
6. *There is no overall wage increase recommended in the FY10 budget.*
7. *All vehicles and computers are currently budgeted in each department. Before the budget is final these amounts will be moved to GOE (that's why no values appear for FY10 in GOE as of yet)*
8. *The budget exhibits in the book includes actual revenues and expenses for FY09 YTD, which is through August. Some line items may include total, full year encumbrances, some may not.*
9. *The FY09 Modified Budget figures include carryovers from FY08. These are uncompleted projects from FY08 the budgets for which have been carried over into FY09, in whole or part.*
10. *You also have one-page summaries intended to highlight significant elements affecting the estimated FY09 yearend coming up on November 30th, and elements in the FY10 budget that are notably different from FY09.*
11. *The one page summaries include the page number in the budget book where you can find each chapter. The budget book indices in the front of the book also include the page numbers.*
12. *You also have the schedule of the meetings today and tomorrow with the page numbers also included.*
13. *We are recommending several amendments to the recommended budget as submitted. Those will be reviewed with the departmental budgets affected.*
14. *Welcome to two new budget analysts, Michael Wheeler and Mike Gavin*

**5.0 09-1965**

Presentation and Consideration of Proposed FY 2010 Budget (see complete budget attached)

**5.1 09-1950**

Joint committee action approving the recommended FY2010 budget for the State's Attorney.

*Teri White and Meg Marcouiller appeared before the Committees to present the State's Attorney's FY2010 proposed budget.*

<i>Revenue</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>
\$1,801,760	\$12,903,878

*L&J: A motion was made by Member Cunningham, seconded by Member Gravenhorst, to approve the budget as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.*

*F&A: A motion was made by Member Mountsier, seconded by Member Kyle, to approve the budget as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.*

**5.2 09-1956**

Joint committee action approving the recommended FY2010 budget for the Asset Forfeiture Fund.

<i>Revenue</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>	<i>Use of Cash</i>
\$54,500	\$60,459	\$5,959

*L&J: A motion was made by Member Cunningham, seconded by Member Gravenhorst, to approve the budget as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.*

*F&A: A motion was made by Member Mountsier, seconded by Member Kyle, to approve the budget as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.*

**5.3 09-1949**

Joint committee action approving the recommended FY2010 budget for the Sheriff's Office Merit Commission.

<i>Revenue</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>
\$0	\$166,611

*L&J: A motion was made by Member Carey, seconded by Member Feldman, to approve the budget as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.*

*F&A: A motion was made by Member Carter, seconded by Member Kyle, to approve the budget as recommended. The motion carried unanimously, with Member Bassi out of the room during the vote.*

**5.4 09-1947**

Joint committee action approving the recommended FY2010 budget for the Public Defender.

*Joy Gossman appeared before the Committees to present the Public Defenders Proposed FY 2010 Budget.*

<i>Revenue</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>
\$302,000	\$4,771,544

*L&J: A motion was made by Member Cunningham, seconded by Member Carey, to approve the budget as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.*

*F&A: A motion was made by Member Stolman, seconded by Member Mountsier, to approve the budget as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.*

**5.5 09-1943**

Joint committee action approving the recommended FY 2010 budget for the Circuit Court Clerk.

*Sally Coffelt appeared before the Committees to present the Circuit Court Clerk's FY 2010 Proposed Budget.*

<i>Revenue</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>
\$10,738,175	\$8,204,039

*L&J: A motion was made by Member Gravenhorst, seconded by Member Carey, to approve the budget as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.*

*F&A: A motion was made by Member Kyle, seconded by Member Stolman, to approve the budget as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.*

**5.6 09-1952**

Joint committee action approving the recommended FY2010 budget for the Court Automation Fund.

<i>Revenue</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>	<i>Use of Cash</i>
\$998,000	\$872,591	(\$125,409)

*L&J: A motion was made by Member Gravenhorst, seconded by Member Carey, to approve the budget as recommended. Motion carried.*

*F&A: A motion was made by Member Kyle, seconded by Member Stolman, to approve the budget as recommended. Motion carried.*

**5.7 09-1953**

Joint committee action approving the recommended FY2010 budget for the Document Storage Fund.

<i>Revenue</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>	<i>Use of Cash</i>
\$768,500	\$1,247,017	\$478,517

*L&J: A motion was made by Member Gravenhorst, seconded by Member Carey, to*

*approve the budget as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.*

*F&A: A motion was made by Member Kyle, seconded by Member Stolman, to approve the budget as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.*

**5.8 09-1945**

Joint committee action approving the recommended FY 2010 budget for the Coroner.

*Dr. Keller appeared before the Committees to present the Coroner's Proposed FY 2010 Budget.*

<i>Revenue</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>
<i>\$70,000</i>	<i>\$1,202,104</i>

*L&J: A motion was made by Member Feldman, seconded by Member Cunningham, to approve the budget as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.*

*F&A: A motion by Member Kyle, seconded by Member Mountsier, to approve the budget as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.*

**5.9 09-1944**

Joint committee action approving the recommended FY2010 budget for the Circuit Courts.

*Chief Judge James Booras, Court Administrator Bob Zastany, and Marci Jumisko appeared before the Committees to present the Circuit Courts Proposed FY 2010 Proposed Budget.*

<i>Revenue</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>
<i>\$3,702,146</i>	<i>\$13,587,754</i>

*L&J: A motion was made by Member Carey, seconded by Member Feldman, to approve the budget as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.*

*F&A: A motion was made by Member Kyle, seconded by Member Carter, to approve the budget as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.*

**5.10 09-1951**

Joint committee action approving the recommended FY2010 budget for the Children's Waiting Room Fund.

<i>Revenue</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>	<i>Use of Cash</i>
<i>\$210,000</i>	<i>\$167,723</i>	<i>(\$42,277)</i>

*L&J: A motion was made by Member Carey, seconded by Member Feldman, to approve the budget as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.*

*F&A: A motion was made by Member Kyle, seconded by Member Carter, to approve the budget as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.*

**5.11 09-1946**

Joint committee action approving the recommended FY2010 budget for the Hulse Detention Center.

<i>Revenue</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>	<i>Use of Cash</i>
\$5,673,739	\$5,826,815	\$153,076

*L&J: A motion was made by Member Carey, seconded by Member Feldman, to approve the budget as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.*

*F&A: A motion was made by Member Kyle, seconded by Member Carter, to approve the budget as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.*

**5.12 09-1954**

Joint committee action approving the recommended FY2010 budget for the Law Library.

<i>Revenue</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>	<i>Use of Cash</i>
\$415,083	\$371,356	(\$43,727)

*L&J: A motion was made by Member Carey, seconded by Member Feldman, to approve the budget as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.*

*F&A: A motion was made by Member Kyle, seconded by Member Carter, to approve the budget as recommended. Motion carried.*

**5.13 09-1955**

Joint committee action approving the recommended FY2010 budget for the Probation Services Fee Fund.

<i>Revenue</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>	<i>Use of Cash</i>
\$1,362,599	\$1,817,041	\$454,442

*L&J: A motion was made by Member Carey, seconded by Member Feldman, to approve the budget as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.*

*F&A: A motion was made by Member Kyle, seconded by Member Carter, to approve the budget as recommended. Motion carried.*

**5.14 09-1948**

Joint committee action approving the recommended FY2010 budget for the Sheriff.

*Sheriff Mark Curran appeared before the Committees to present the Sheriff's Office Proposed FY 2010 Budget.*

<i>Revenue</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>
\$6,335,176	\$56,510,907

*L&J: A motion was made by Member Lawlor, seconded by Member Cunningham, to*

*approve the budget as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.*

*F&A: A motion was made by Member Kyle, seconded by Member Mountsier, to approve the budget as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.*

**6.0 Adjournment of the Law and Judicial Committee. The Financial and Administrative Committee may remain in session to review and approve other departmental budgets.**

**A motion was made by Member Lawlor, seconded by Member Carey, to adjourn at 1:25 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Aye:** 6 - Chair Nixon, Member Cunningham, Vice Chair Gravenhorst, Member Carey, Member Feldman and Member Lawlor

*Minutes prepared by Mary Otahal.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

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