

Lake County Illinois

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



Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday, June 24, 2025

8:30 AM

**Assembly Room, 10th Floor or register for remote attendance at:
<https://bit.ly/4e56w3c>**

Health and Community Services Committee

1. Call to Order

Vice Chair Altenberg called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Vice Chair Altenberg led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call of Members

Present 5 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Casbon, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth and Member Knizhnik

Absent 2 - Member Maine and Chair Parekh

Other Attendees

In Person:

Sandy Hart, County Board Chair

Chris Anderson-Sell, Communications

Michele Esser, Health Department

Matt Meyers, County Administrator's Office

RuthAnne Hall, County Administrator's Office

Dominic Strezo, Planning, Building and Development

Chris Hoff, Health Department

Eric Waggoner, Planning, Building and Development

Patrice Sutton, County Administrator's Office

Theresa Glatzhofer, County Board Office

Electronically:

Paul Frank, Board Member

Demar Harris, Workforce Development

Abby Krakow, Communications

Christine Sher, Stormwater Management

Kevin Quinn, Communications

Jennifer Brennan, Communications

Brea Barnes, Finance

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 [25-0850](#)

Committee action approving the Health and Community Services Committee minutes from June 3, 2025.

Attachments: [HCS 6.3.25 Final Minutes](#)

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

Aye: 5 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Casbon, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth and Member Knizhnik

Absent: 2 - Member Maine and Chair Parekh

REGULAR AGENDA

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

8.2 [25-0828](#)

Joint resolution approving the United States Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) Program Years 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan, funding recommendations for \$4,997,276, and an emergency appropriation of \$253,436 of CDBG, NSP, and HOME Program income.

Attachments: [PY2025 Funding Recommendations](#)
[2025-2029 ConPlan DRAFT.pdf](#)
[Emergency Appropriation HUD Grants Program Income](#)

Dominic Strezo, Community Development Administrator, provided background regarding the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development Program Years 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan as well as related funding recommendations. Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Member Cunningham, 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: 4 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth and Member Knizhnik

Abstain: 1 - Member Casbon

Absent: 2 - Member Maine and Chair Parekh

8.3 [25-0269](#)

Joint resolution approving the Lake County Affordable Housing Program (LCAHP) Program Year 2025 funding recommendations for \$625,288 and an emergency appropriation of \$5,538.

Attachments: [PY25 AHP Funding Recs](#)
[Emergency Appropriation LCAHP Program Income](#)

Dominic Strezo, Community Development Administrator, explained that this item is to approve the 2025 funding recommendations for the Lake County Affordable Housing Program.

A motion was made by Member Knizhnik, 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 Casbon, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth and Member Knizhnik

Absent: 2 - Member Maine and Chair Parekh

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

8.4 [25-0864](#)

Joint resolution approving an emergency appropriation of \$490,666 for fiscal year 2025 accepting additional funding from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development Continuum of Care Housing Program grant.

Attachments: [Emergency Appropriation Template for FY25 May 2025 HUD](#)

Michele Esser, Interim Director of Behavioral Health, explained that this item is an emergency appropriation of grant dollars to provide rental assistance for individuals and families experiencing both homelessness and mental health issues. Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Member Cunningham, seconded by Member Knizhnik, 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 Casbon, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth and Member Knizhnik

Absent: 2 - Member Maine and Chair Parekh

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

Member Cunningham noted that Lake County will be receiving an award from National Association of Counties (NACo). Matt Meyers, Deputy County Administrator, elaborated that the County will receive achievement awards from NACo for the County's work on bird friendly building design and the tree planting initiative.

Vice Chair Altenberg asked Chris Hoff, Health Department Executive Director, about cooling centers due to recent high temperatures. Discussion ensued.

12. Adjournment

Vice Chair Altenberg declared the meeting adjourned at 8:56 a.m.

Next Meeting: July 29, 2025

Meeting minutes prepared by Theresa Glatzhofer.

Minutes were approved on July 29, 2025, by the Health and Community Services Committee.