

Lake County Illinois

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



Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday, September 1, 2020

8:30 AM

Live-streamed at <http://lakecounty.tv/>, on Comcast's Channel 18 or 30 (depending on where you live) & AT&T UVerse Channel 99

Law & Judicial Committee

Pursuant to Section 7(e) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act, the August 21, 2020, Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation, and the attached Written Determination of the Lake County Board Chair, this meeting will be held via audio and video conference and not in the Assembly Room on the 10th Floor of the Administrative Tower at 18 N. County Street, Waukegan, Illinois.

PUBLIC VIEWING: This meeting will be live-streamed at <http://lakecounty.tv/> and on Comcast's network, Channel 18 or 30 and AT&T Channel 99. Per the Governor's Disaster Proclamation, in accordance with section 120/7(e)(4) of the OMA, in-person attendance by members of the public will be available in the Assembly Room on the 10th Floor of the Administrative Tower at 18 N. County Street, Waukegan, Illinois and is limited to the number of persons practicable in keeping with social distancing requirements.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Public Comments are welcomed and encouraged. Emailed Public Comments received by 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, September 1, 2020 for items not on the agenda will be read at the beginning of the meeting agenda items will be read during consideration of that item. Comments received during the meeting will be held until the end of the meeting. A total of 30 minutes will be permitted for Public Comment and no more than three minutes per Comment pursuant to the County Board Rules of Order and Operational Procedures. All emailed Comments received will be included in the Committee's meeting minutes.

Email Public Comments to CountyBoard@lakecountyil.gov with the following:

- * Subject Title: Law & Judicial Committee Public Comment
- * Name
- * Street Address (Optional)
- * City, State (Optional)
- * Phone (Optional)
- * Organization/agency/etc. represented. (If representing yourself, put "Self")
- * Topic or Agenda Item Number followed by Public Comment.

Public in attendance on the 10th Floor of the Administrative Tower at 18 N. County Street, Waukegan, Illinois may provide Public Comment. Public may also leave a message with the County Board Office at 847-377-2300.

0.0 [20-0824](#)

Determination of need for meetings of the Lake County Board and Committees to be

held by audio or video conference.

Attachments: [Determination - Chair Hart - Rev 081320.pdf](#)

1. Call to Order

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

Present 6 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Simpson, Member Hewitt, Member Kyle, Member Maine and Member Paxton

Absent 1 - Member Danforth

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Cunningham led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Addenda to the Agenda

There were no additions or amendments to the agenda.

4. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

5. Chair's Remarks

Chair Cunningham stated her pastor passed. Chair Cunningham asked to keep the pastor, Kenosha and the Nation in prayer.

6. Old Business

There was no old business to discuss.

7. New Business

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 7.1 - 7.6)

Approval of Minutes

7.1 [20-1125](#)

Minutes from July 28, 2020.

Attachments: [L&J 7.28.20 Minutes - Final.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Member Hewitt, seconded by Member Kyle, that the minutes be approved. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Simpson, Member Hewitt, Member Kyle, Member Maine and Member Paxton

Absent: 1 - Member Danforth

7.2 [20-1126](#)

Minutes from August 4, 2020.

Attachments: [L&J 8.4.20 Minutes - Final.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Member Hewitt, seconded by Member Kyle, that the minutes be approved. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Simpson, Member Hewitt, Member Kyle, Member Maine and Member Paxton

Absent: 1 - Member Danforth

PUBLIC DEFENDER

7.3 [20-1121](#)

Report from Joy Gossman, Public Defender, for the month of July 2020.

- Attachments:** [07-20 Main](#)
[07-20 Main PTR](#)
[07-20 JUV Main](#)
[07-20 JUV PTR](#)

A motion was made by Member Hewitt, seconded by Member Kyle, that this communication or report be received and placed on the consent agenda. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Simpson, Member Hewitt, Member Kyle, Member Maine and Member Paxton

Absent: 1 - Member Danforth

CIRCUIT COURT CLERK

7.4 [20-1122](#)

Report from Erin Cartwright Weinstein, Clerk of the Circuit Court, for the month of July 2020.

- Attachments:** [County Board Report FY20 - 07 July 081020](#)

A motion was made by Member Hewitt, seconded by Member Kyle, that this communication or report be received and placed on the consent agenda. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Simpson, Member Hewitt, Member Kyle, Member Maine and Member Paxton

Absent: 1 - Member Danforth

SHERIFF

7.5 [20-1120](#)

Report from John D. Idleburg, Sheriff, for the month of July 2020.

- Attachments:** [Report from John D. Idleburg, Sheriff, for the month of July 2020.](#)

A motion was made by Member Hewitt, seconded by Member Kyle, that this communication or report be received and placed on the consent agenda. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Simpson, Member Hewitt, Member Kyle, Member Maine and Member Paxton

Absent: 1 - Member Danforth

CORONER

7.6 [20-1136](#)

Annual Report from Dr. Howard Cooper, Coroner.

Attachments: [2019 LC Coroner Annual Report Final](#)

A motion was made by Member Hewitt, seconded by Member Kyle, that this communication or report be received and placed on the consent agenda. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Simpson, Member Hewitt, Member Kyle, Member Maine and Member Paxton

Absent: 1 - Member Danforth

REGULAR AGENDA

REGIONAL 9-1-1 CONSOLIDATION

7.7 [20-1135](#)

Joint resolution approving a 12-month (no-cost) extension to the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA), on behalf of the Lake County Sheriff, Lake County Emergency Telephone System Board (ETSB), and the Lake County Board, to remain a member of the Regional 9-1-1 Consolidation Implementation Governance Committees formed by 21 independent Public Safety Entities in Lake County.

Attachments: [911 Consolidation IGA\(10-11-19\)_Final](#)
[IGA Extending Term of Orig IGA\(07-30-20\)](#)

Jim Hawkins, Deputy County Administrator, stated the IGA is a no cost, twelve month extension to continue the existing agreement that maintains the County, Sheriff, and Lake County ETSB as part of the 9-1-1 Consolidation Consortium.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Simpson, Member Hewitt, Member Kyle, Member Maine and Member Paxton

Absent: 1 - Member Danforth

COURT ADMINISTRATION**7.8 [20-1111](#)**

Joint resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation with offsetting revenue in the amount of \$20,000 to support the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit Court's Self-Represented Litigant (SRL) Coordinator.

Attachments: [Self Represented Litigants FY2021 Grant Letter.pdf](#)

Mary Stevens, Director of Administrative Services, provided an overview of the self-representative litigation grant which has been awarded for the past three years. This year there is an increase of \$7,000. There is also a contribution to the self-litigators salary.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Simpson, Member Hewitt, Member Kyle, Member Maine and Member Paxton

Absent: 1 - Member Danforth

7.9 [20-0982](#)

Ordinance amending Chapter 35: Finances, Fees, and Funds, of the Lake County Code of Ordinances, and County Board Ordinance dated June 11, 2019.

Attachments: [Exhibit A Chapter 35 Amendments..pdf](#)
[Fund Balances Actual and Projected.pdf](#)

Todd Schroeder, provided an overview of this amendment that will create additional funds for the law library without raising fees. The library has been the central hub for self-represented litigants and during COVID, the primary hub for litigants to come in to appear for court remotely if they do not have access from home. Currently, the library is funded by a independent statutory filing fee. Mr.

Schroeder gave an overview of the fund balance. Discussion ensued.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Simpson, Member Hewitt, Member Kyle, Member Maine and Member Paxton

Absent: 1 - Member Danforth

CORONER**7.10 [20-1206](#)**

Joint resolution approving a Line Item Transfer within the Coroner's budget in the amount of \$22,013 and increasing the headcount of the Coroner's Office by one.

Attachments: [Sept 20 Reclass - Pathologist.pdf](#)

Dr. Howard Cooper, Coroner, provided an overview of the full-time pathologist position. After three years of recruiting for this position, the Coroner's office has hired a pathologist to replace the current use of contractors to meet this need. The funds are in the budget and will be used to cover the salary and of the new position for the remainder of FY2020. Discussion ensued.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Simpson, Member Hewitt, Member Kyle, Member Maine and Member Paxton

Absent: 1 - Member Danforth

SHERIFF

7.11 [20-1190](#)

Joint resolution to enter into a contract with Wellpath LLC of Nashville, Tennessee, in the estimated annual amount of \$4,417,806 for Jail Inmate and Juvenile Health Care Services.

Attachments: [Board Resolution Final](#)
[Agreement Draft](#)
[Post Score Matrix](#)
[Wellpath LLC](#)
[Award Information](#)

Jim Chamernik, Business Manager for the Sheriff's Office, provided an overview of the new contract for the Jail Inmate and Juvenile Health Care Services. The contract will increase the overall care, to include mental health, for inmates. Discussion ensued.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Simpson, Member Hewitt, Member Kyle, Member Maine and Member Paxton

Absent: 1 - Member Danforth

7.12 [20-1200](#)

Presentation by the Sheriff's Office on training.

Attachments: [SHERIFF OFFICE TRAINING FINAL.pdf](#)

Sheriff John Idelburg gave a presentation on the training in the Sheriff's Office. There are 500 employees in the Sheriff's office. Annually, the staff receive over 18,000 hours of

training, 5,000 hours are internal, and 3,000 hours are on-line training. All law enforcement staff has mandatory annual training. There is a comprehensive and extensive Use of Force training. Sheriff Idelburg gave an overview of the Use of Force Model. Discussion ensued.

Member Danforth joined the meeting at 9:55 a.m.

8. Executive Session

There was no Executive Session.

9. Public Comment

Dr. Howard Cooper provided a Public Comment regarding the Coroner's Office's Annual Report.

10. County Administrator's Report

Jim Hawkins, Deputy County Administrator, stated staff continue to focus on the Budget for both 2020 and 2021 as well as for CARES Act funding.. An update will be at the next Financial and Administrative meeting.

11. Members' Remarks

Member Danforth stated he suggested a proclamation to honor law enforcement a couple of meetings ago and feels it is an appropriate time to state Board support the Lake County law enforcement.

Member Barr echoed support for Member Danforth's proclamation and thanked Dr. Cooper.

Chair Hart stated that she believes regular reports from the Coroner should be on the consent agenda and referenced the Board Rule that departments do not provide annual reports during the last half to the year.

12. Adjournment

Chair Cunningham declared the meeting adjourned at 10:28 a.m.

Next Meeting: September 29, 2020

Meeting minutes prepared by Kristy Cechini.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman

Vice Chairman
