

Lake County Illinois

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18 N. County Street
Waukegan, IL 60085-4351*



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 7, 2013

8:30 AM

Assembly Room

Planning, Building and Zoning Committee

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Thomson-Carter called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

Present 7 - Chair Thomson-Carter, Vice Chair Weber, Member Hart, Member Hewitt, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor and Member Wilke

Others present:

Aaron Lawlor - County Board Chairman

Pat Carey - County Board Member

Steve Carlson - County Board Member

Amy McEwan - Deputy County Administrator

Gary Gordon - Director Finance and Administrative Services

Mike Warner - Executive Director Stormwater Management Commission

Eric Waggoner - Director Planning, Building and Development Department

Steve Crivello - Planning, Building and Development Department

Larry Mackey - Lake County Health Department

Matt Meyers - Planning, Building and Development Department

Brittany Albrecht-Sloan - Planning, Building and Development Department

Christine Gaynes - Stormwater Management Commission

Michael Kuhn - Lake County Health Department

David Husemoller - Planning, Building and Development Department

Patrice Sutton-Burger - Finance and Support Services

Sabrina Cotta - Finance and Support Services

Megan Krueger - Planning, Building and Development Department

Jason Navota - Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning

Brad Leibov - Liberty Prairie Foundation

Lenore Beyer-Clow - Openlands

Steve Barg - Conserve Lake County

Nathan Anberg - Conserve Lake County

Emily Weber - Liberty Prairie Foundation

David Kilbane - Village of Round Lake Beach

Jon Wildenberg - Village of Round Lake Beach

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Thomson-Carter asked Member Wilke to lead the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

There were no minutes for approval.

4. ADDED TO AGENDA

There were no items added to the agenda.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

6. OLD BUSINESS

6.1 [12-0933](#)

Presentation by the Lake County Sustainable Local Food Systems team.

David Husemoller, Planning, Building and Development Department introduced Jason Navota from the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP).

Jason Navota summarized the demand for locally produced agricultural products, the infrastructure and other challenges in expanding local food systems, and how Lake County can take significant steps towards capitalizing on the economic, environmental, and health benefits associated with locally grown food. He further discussed the collaboration efforts in producing the final draft of the Lake County Sustainable Local Food Systems report as well as recommendations for continuing to promote local food systems in Lake County.

Pat Carey, County Board Member, noted her strong support for the local food initiative, and asked for her fellow Board Members to participate in and promote the initiative from the standpoint of sustainability and economic development.

Aaron Lawlor, County Board Chairman, expressed the importance of targeting certain geographically isolated "food deserts" within Lake County in order to provide the benefits to all County residents. He also noted the importance of outreach at this time to the Lake County Farm Bureau and Lake County Partners to encourage their participation in the initiative going forward.

CMAP requested that the County continue to support the Sustainable Local Food Group by offering staff resources.

The Committee agreed that David Husemoller should continue as the staff liaison to the Sustainable Local Food Group.

This item was presented.

7. NEW BUSINESS

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

7.1 [13-0474](#)

Joint resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$750,000 to be used for the demolition, site restoration and project management of the Gurnee Grade School, District 56, 900 Kilbourne Road, Gurnee, Illinois, Lake County.

Presented by Mike Warner, Executive Director, Stormwater Management Commission.

Mr. Warner stated that the former Gurnee Grade School did flood during the recent rain events. The benefits of Committee approval of funds for demolition of the school were already recognized as the children were not displaced by the flooding.

A motion was made by Member Hart, seconded by Member Hewitt, that this

resolution be approved and referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chair Thomson-Carter, Vice Chair Weber, Member Hart, Member Hewitt,
Member Pedersen, Member Taylor and Member Wilke

PERMITS AND ENFORCEMENT

7.2 [13-0519](#)

Joint resolution authorizing the waiver of flood repair-related permit fees and the reduction of septage disposal fees.

Presented by Eric Waggoner, Director, Planning, Building and Development Department. Mr. Waggoner stated the goal is to give some financial relief to property owners affected by the floods and incentivize their use of disposal and permit services if necessitated by flood damage. The reduced septage disposal rate will be in effect upon County Board approval through June 1, 2013; the permit fee-waiver will be in effect upon County Board approval through August 1, 2013 with extensions granted on a case-by-case basis.

A motion was made by Member Wilke, seconded by Member Hewitt, that this resolution be approved and referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chair Thomson-Carter, Vice Chair Weber, Member Hart, Member Hewitt,
Member Pedersen, Member Taylor and Member Wilke

7.3 [13-0495](#)

Joint resolution approving an intergovernmental agreement with the Village of Round Lake Beach to provide permit inspections and plan reviews for Village projects by the Lake County Department of Planning, Building, and Development.

Presented by Matt Meyers, Planning, Building and Development Department. Mr. Meyers stated that this item was discussed at the April 30, 2013, Planning, Building and Zoning Committee meeting, and is now presented for approval.

The purpose of the IGA is a pilot shared services project that will support the Village by providing supplemental plan review and inspection services on an as needed basis.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Thomson-Carter, Vice Chair Weber, Member Hart, Member Hewitt,
Member Pedersen, Member Taylor and Member Wilke

7.4 [13-0448](#)

Joint resolution authorizing the State's Attorney of Lake County to institute legal action against three named properties for the demolition of dangerous and unsafe or uncompleted and abandoned structures on said properties.

Presented by Steve Crivello, Planning, Building and Development Department.

The vote on this item proceeded without discussion.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Thomson-Carter, Vice Chair Weber, Member Hart, Member Hewitt, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor and Member Wilke

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Eric Waggoner, Director, Planning, Building and Development Department, reminded the Committee local food-related amendments to the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) including bee-keeping and chicken regulations will be coming to the Committee for discussion over the next month prior to Committee action.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no executive session.

9. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

There was no County Administrator's Report.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Thomson-Carter adjourned the meeting at 9:59 a.m.

Minutes prepared by Megan Krueger.

Respectfully submitted,

Chair

Vice-Chair

Planning, Building & Zoning Committee