

# Lake County Illinois

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



## Meeting Minutes - Final

**Tuesday, May 6, 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/3XUHME6>**

**Law & Judicial Committee**

**1. Call to Order**

*Chair Cunningham called the meeting to order at 10:53 a.m.*

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

*Chair Cunningham led the Pledge of Allegiance.*

**3. Roll Call of Members**

**Present** 6 - Member Altenberg, Chair Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Kyle, Member Pedersen and Vice Chair Roberts

**Absent** 1 - Member Knizhnik

***Other Attendees******In Person:***

*Sandy Hart, County Board Chair*

*Carissa Casbon, Board Member*

*Jo Gravitter, State's Attorney's Office*

*Jennifer Steffen, State's Attorney's Office*

*Melanie Nelson, State's Attorney's Office*

*Greg Ticsay, Public Defender*

*Matt Meyers, County Administrator's Office*

*RuthAnne Hall, County Administrator's Office*

*Patrice Sutton, County Administrator's Office*

*Chris Anderson-Sell, Communications*

*Ashley Watson, County Administrator's Office*

*Theresa Glatzhofer, County Board Office*

***Electronically:***

*Jim Chamernik, Sheriff's Office*

*Carl Kirar, Facilities and Construction Services*

*Claudia Gilhooley, 19th Judicial Circuit Court*

*Karl Walldorf, 19th Judicial Circuit Court*

*Christine Sher, Stormwater Management*

*Mike Jeschke, Finance*

*Sonia Hernandez, County Administrator's Office*

*Brea Barnes, Finance*

*Tammy Chatman, Communications*

*Abby Krakow, Communications*

**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**

*Chair Cunningham thanked Sandy Hart, County Board Chair, for accompanying her to her son's inauguration as the Mayor of Waukegan.*

**7. Unfinished Business**

*There was no unfinished business to discuss.*

**8. New Business**

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**\*STATE'S ATTORNEY'S OFFICE\***

**8.1 25-0600**

Joint resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation and approving a Title IV-D Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (IDHFS) and the Lake County State's Attorney for the continuation of the State's Attorney's Child Support Enforcement Program for the period of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2027, for a maximum reimbursement amount of \$1,629,842 for staff wages and benefits.

**Attachments:** [Child Support Contract Appendix SFY2026 - SFY2027](#)

*Jo Gravitter, Chief Deputy, Administrative Services, State's Attorney's Office (SAO), explained that this item is for an intergovernmental agreement with the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (IDHFS) to continue the State's Attorney's Child Support Enforcement Program. Chief Deputy Gravitter introduced Jennifer Steffen, Principal Assistant Attorney, SAO, who provided a brief overview of the program.*

**A motion was made by Member Altenberg, seconded by Vice Chair Roberts, 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 Kyle, Member Pedersen and Vice Chair Roberts

**Absent:** 1 - Member Knizhnik

**\*PUBLIC DEFENDER\***

**8.2 25-0654**

Public Defender Annual Update.

**Attachments:** [Public Defender Power Point 2025](#)

*Gregory Ticsay, Public Defender, presented an annual update for the Public Defender's Office. Discussion ensued.*

**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**

*Sandy Hart, County Board Chair, noted that some Board Members have received a letter regarding concerns about filing fees and website access issues in the Circuit Court Clerk's Office. Chair Hart requested that this issue be discussed at future Technology, Law and Judicial, and Financial and Administrative Committee meetings. Discussion ensued.*

**12. Adjournment**

*Chair Cunningham declared the meeting adjourned at 11:36 a.m.*

**Next Meeting: May 27, 2025**

*Meeting minutes prepared by Theresa Glatzhofer.*