

# Lake County Illinois

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



## Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday, April 2, 2024

8:30 AM

Assembly Room, 10th Floor or register for remote attendance at  
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**Health and Community Services Committee**

**1. Call to Order**

*Chair Parekh called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.*

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

*Chair Parekh led the Pledge of Allegiance.*

**3. Roll Call of Members**

**Present** 7 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth,  
Member Hewitt, Member Knizhnik, Member Maine and Chair Parekh

*Member Hewitt joined the meeting at 8:38 a.m.*

*Others Present*

*In Person:*

*Kevin Hunter, Board Member*

*Patrice Sutton, County Administrator's Office*

*Kevin Quinn, Communications*

*Abby Krakow, Communications*

*Tammy Chatman, Communications*

*Kristy Cechini, County Board Office*

*Kimberly Wimer, Workforce Development Board Chair*

*RuthAnne Hall, Finance*

*Jennifer Serino, Workforce Development*

*Daniel Newport, Workforce Development Board Member*

*Demar Harris, Workforce Development*

*Electronically:*

*Paul Frank, Board Member*

*Mark Pfister, Health Department*

*Theresa Glatzhofer, County Board Office*

*Jolanda Dinkins, County Board Office*

*Janna Philipp, County Administrator's Office*

*Sam Johnson, Health Department*

*Antonio Garcia, Workforce Development*

*Nick Principali, Finance*

*Dominic Strezo, Planning, Building, and Development*

*Courtney Cymerman, Health Department*

*Eric Waggoner, Planning, Building, and Development*

*Melissa Gallagher, Finance*

*Ashantti Ross, Workforce Development*

*Michael Wheeler, Finance*

*Brea Barnes, Finance*

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

*Alex Carr, Communications*

*Maria Castellanos, Finance*

*Carl Kirar, Facilities and Construction Services*

**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 (Items 8.1)**

**\*MINUTES\***

**8.1 24-0381**

Committee action approving the Health and Community Services Committee minutes from February 27, 2024.

**Attachments:** [HCS 2.27.24 Final Minutes](#)

**As part of a single motion for the entire Consent Agenda, a motion was made by Member Ross Cunningham, seconded by Vice Chair Altenberg, that these minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Knizhnik, Member Maine and Chair Parekh

**Absent:** 1 - Member Hewitt

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**\*COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT\***

**8.2 24-0344**

Joint resolution approving the Program Year (PY) 2024 Video Gaming Revenue grant funding recommendations in the amount of \$755,000.

**Attachments:** [PY24 VGR Funding Recs](#)

*Items 8.2 through 8.5 were discussed together.*

*Brenda O'Connell, Community Development Administrator, provided the recommendations for the use of revenue from the 2024 Video Gaming Revenue grant, the agreements with Nicasa for treatment, community awareness and education of problem gambling, and the agreement with United Way for 211. Discussion ensued.*

*Member Hewitt joined the meeting at 8:38 a.m.*

**A motion was made by Member Ross 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 roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth,  
Member Hewitt, Member Knizhnik, Member Maine and Chair Parekh

**8.3 [24-0412](#)**

Joint resolution authorizing an agreement with Nicasa located in Round Lake, IL for the treatment of gambling disorders in the amount of \$100,000 of Video Gaming Revenue (VGR) Funds.

**Attachments:** [24256 - Gambling Addiction Services Vendor Disclosure \(signed\)](#)  
[PY24 VGR Proposal - Gambling Treatment](#)  
[Sole Source Memo - NICASA Treatment 3.20.24](#)

*Items 8.2 through 8.5 were discussed together and items 8.3 through 8.5 were voted on together. See item 8.2 for consolidated notes.*

**A motion was made by Member Maine, seconded by Vice Chair Altenberg, that this resolution be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth,  
Member Hewitt, Member Knizhnik, Member Maine and Chair Parekh

**8.4 [24-0413](#)**

Joint resolution authorizing an agreement with Nicasa located in Round Lake, IL to support community awareness and education of problem gambling in the amount of \$100,000 of Video Gaming Revenue (VGR) Funds.

**Attachments:** [224255 - Gambling Outreach and Education Vendor Disclosure \(signed\)](#)  
[PY24 VGR Proposal - Gambling Outreach](#)  
[Sole Source Memo - NICASA Outreach 3.20.24](#)

*Items 8.2 through 8.5 were discussed together and items 8.3 through 8.5 were voted on together. See item 8.2 for consolidated notes.*

**A motion was made by Member Maine, seconded by Vice Chair Altenberg, that this resolution be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried by the following voice vote.**

**Aye:** 7 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth,  
Member Hewitt, Member Knizhnik, Member Maine and Chair Parekh

**8.5 [24-0414](#)**

Joint resolution authorizing an agreement with United Way Lake County located in Gurnee, IL for 211 information and referral services in the amount of \$125,000 of Video Gaming Revenue (VGR) Funds

**Attachments:** [24257 - 211 Information and Referral Vendor Disclosure SIGNED](#)  
[PY24 VGR Proposal - 211](#)  
[Sole Source Memo - UWLC 211 3.20.24](#)

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*Items 8.2 through 8.5 were discussed together and items 8.3 through 8.5 were voted on together. See item 8.2 for consolidated notes.*

**A motion was made by Member Maine, seconded by Vice Chair Altenberg, that this resolution be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried by the following voice vote.**

**Aye:** 7 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Hewitt, Member Knizhnik, Member Maine and Chair Parekh

**\*HEALTH DEPARTMENT\***

**8.6 [24-0386](#)**

Joint resolution accepting the Illinois Department of Public Health grant and authorizing an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$25,000 for the HIV Quality of Life grant.

**Attachments:** [HIV Grant Increase \\$25K](#)

*Mark Pfister, Health Department Executive Director, provided a summary of the HIV Quality of Life grant for additional funding to offset existing salaries.*

**A motion was made by Member Ross 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:** 7 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Hewitt, Member Knizhnik, Member Maine and Chair Parekh

**8.7 [24-0387](#)**

Joint resolution accepting the Illinois Department of Human Services grant and authorizing an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$7,830 for the Supervised Residential grant.

**Attachments:** [Supervised Residential Grant Increase \\$7830](#)

*Mark Pfister, Health Department Executive Director, provided a summary of the Supervised Residential grant for additional funding to offset existing salaries.*

**A motion was made by Member Knizhnik, seconded by Member Ross Cunningham, that this resolution be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried by the following voice vote.**

**Aye:** 7 - Vice Chair Altenberg, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Hewitt, Member Knizhnik, Member Maine and Chair Parekh

*Executive Director Pfister provided an update on the Measles outbreak and the bird flu. Discussion ensued.*

**\*WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT\***

**8.8 [24-0431](#)**

Workforce Development Annual Update.

**Attachments:** [Workforce Development Annual Update HCS 4.2.24](#)

*Jennifer Serino, Workforce Development Director, introduced Kimberly Wimer, Workforce Development Chair. Chair Wimer presented on the Workforce Development Board Membership, what the task forces develop and the services provided through Workforce Development. Director Serino presented on the Workforce Development Department, including the current grant budget, the multifaceted services provided, the job center, training, and apprenticeship program. Discussion ensued.*

**9. County Administrator's Report**

*Patrice Sutton, County Administrator, announced the appointment of RuthAnne Hall as the new Assistant County Administrator.*

**10. Executive Session**

*The Committee did not enter into Executive Session.*

**11. Member Remarks and Requests**

*There were no remarks or requests by Members.*

**12. Adjournment**

*Chair Parekh declared the meeting adjourned at 9:41 a.m.*

**Next Meeting: April 30, 2024**

*Meeting minutes prepared by Kristy Cechini.*