

# Lake County Illinois

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



## **Meeting Minutes - Final**

**Tuesday, September 6, 2022**

**1:00 PM**

**Assembly Room, 10th Floor or register to virtually attend at  
<https://bit.ly/3AUUyat>**

**Legislative Committee**

**PUBLIC ATTENDANCE:** The public can attend Lake County Committee and Board meetings (two options):

- (1) In-person attendance is on the 10th Floor of the County Administrative Tower (9th Floor, if necessary), 18 N. County Street, Waukegan, Illinois.
- (2) Remote / virtual attendance through registration at the link on the front page of this agenda.

**RECORDING:** Meetings, to include Public Comment, will be recorded.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** The public will be afforded time to comment on matters related to the business of the County Board. A total of 30 minutes will be permitted for Public Comment and no more than three minutes per comment. In general, Public Comment on items not on the agenda will be presented near the beginning of the meeting. Public Comment on agenda items may be presented during consideration of that item. Individuals attending in-person or remotely may present their Public Comment during the meeting. Individuals not in attendance may provide written Public Comment that must be received by 3:00 p.m. the day prior to the meeting (emailed to [PublicComment@Lakecountyil.gov](mailto:PublicComment@Lakecountyil.gov) or delivered to the County Board Office 18 N. County Street, Waukegan, Illinois (10th floor)).

Public Comment will proceed in the following order: (1) Public Comment by individuals in attendance on the 10th Floor, (2) Public Comment by individuals who registered via the link on the front page of the agenda and are attending remotely / virtually, and then (3) written comments.

Individuals providing Public Comment will provide the following information:

- \* Meeting: Legislative Committee (Subject line for written Public Comment)
- \* Name (REQUIRED)
- \* Topic or Agenda Item # (REQUIRED)
- \* Street Address, City, State (Optional)
- \* Phone Number (Optional)
- \* Organization/Agency/etc. Represented (If representing yourself, put "Self")

**\*\* \*To view County Board Rules, click here: <https://bit.ly/3idRdrV> \* \* \***

**1. Call to Order**

*Chair Wasik called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.*

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

*Member Frank led the Pledge of Allegiance.*

**3. Roll Call of Members**

**Present** 6 - Vice Chair Casbon, Member Frank, Member Hunter, Member Kyle, Member Snarski and Chair Wasik

**Absent** 1 - Member Sbarra

**Others Present:**

*Carl Kirar, Facilities and Construction*

*Cassandra Hiller, County Administrator's Office*

*Frank D'Andrea, Finance*

*Gary Gibson, County Administrator's Office*

*James Chamernik, Sheriff's Office*

*James Hawkins, County Administrator's Office*

*Janna Philipp, County Administrator's Office*

*Jennifer Brennan, Communications*

*Joe McCoy, Illinois Association of Counties*

*Justine Gilbert, Communications*

*Kevin Quinn, Communications*

*Marah Altenberg, Board Member*

*Mary Ross Cunningham, County Board Vice Chair*

*Matt Meyers, County Administrator's Office*

*Michael Wheeler, Finance*

*Mike Grady, Strategic Advocacy Group*

*Robin Grooms, County Administrator's Office*

*Sandy Hart, County Board Chair*

*Sharon Langlotz-Johnson, Illinois State Representative Tom Weber's Office*

*Stephen Rice, State's Attorney's Office*

*Tammy Chatman, Communications*

*Theresa Glatzhofer, County Board Office*

*Walter Willis, Solid Waste Agency of Lake County*

**4. Addenda to the Agenda**

*There were no additions or amendments to the agenda.*

**5. Public Comment (Items not on the agenda)**

*There were no public comments.*

**6. Chair's Remarks**

*Chair Wasik noted that the meeting will consist of informational presentations and*

*discussion.*

**7. Unfinished Business**

*There was no Unfinished Business to discuss.*

**8. New Business**

**CONSENT AGENDA (Item 8.1)**

**\*MINUTES\***

**8.1 [22-1247](#)**

Committee action approving the Legislative Committee minutes from August 19, 2022.

**Attachments:** [LEG 8.19.22 Final Minutes](#)

**A motion was made by Vice Chair Casbon, seconded by Member Hunter, that the minutes from August 19, 2022 be approved. Motion carried by the following voice vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Vice Chair Casbon, Member Frank, Member Hunter, Member Kyle, Member Snarski and Chair Wasik

**Absent:** 1 - Member Sbarra

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**8.2 [22-1253](#)**

Update and discussion regarding the State of Illinois 2022 Legislative Sessions.

*Mike Grady of Strategic Advocacy Group, provided an update on the State of Illinois 2022 legislative sessions.*

*Discussion ensued.*

**8.3 [22-1254](#)**

Discussion regarding department submissions for the Fiscal Year 2023 Legislative Agenda.

*Matt Meyers, Assistant County Administrator, gave a brief summary of the process for preparing the 2023 Lake County Legislative Agenda. Assistant County Administrator Meyers invited Walter Willis, Director of the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County (SWALCO), to speak about his submissions for the 2023 Legislative Agenda.*

*Director Willis gave a brief update regarding the carpet stewardship bill and the packaging paper products (PPP) stewardship bill.*

*Discussion ensued.*

*The consensus of the Committee was to add both the carpet stewardship and the packaging paper products stewardship bills to the 2023 Legislative Agenda.*

*Robin Grooms, Sustainability Programs Manager, gave a brief overview of HB 3125, which would set forth requirements for parking spaces that are electrical vehicle ready and would apply to new or renovated residential or non residential buildings.*

*Discussion ensued.*

*The consensus of the Committee was to add HB 3125, or a similar future bill, to the 2023 Legislative Agenda.*

*Sustainability Programs Manager Grooms also suggested adding environmental justice as a topic of interest on the 2023 Legislative Agenda.*

*Discussion ensued.*

*The consensus of the Committee was to add environmental justice as a topic of interest on the 2023 Legislative Agenda.*

#### 8.4 [22-1255](#)

Discussion regarding the current draft of the Lake County Fiscal Year 2023 Legislative Agenda.

**Attachments:** [2023 Legislative Program DIGITAL V2](#)

*Matt Meyers, Assistant County Administrator, shared a draft of the Lake County Fiscal Year 2023 Legislative Agenda. Assistant County Administrator Meyers noted that he will work with Walter Willis, Director of the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County (SWALCO), and Robin Grooms, Sustainability Programs Manager, to draft verbiage regarding the specific bills/topics of interest that the Committee gave consensus to add to the 2023 Legislative Agenda at today's meeting. Assistant County Administrator Meyers explained that he is looking for Committee feedback on the structure of the 2023 Legislative Agenda.*

*Vice Chair Casbon asked that health care benefits for veterans, specifically regarding exposure to burn pits, be removed, as this passed in the previous year.*

*Chair Hart asked why the Public Works-related bill was not shown in the agenda. Assistant County Administrator Meyers stated that this item had not been included in previous agendas. Chair Hart requested the item be considered to be added to the agenda.*

*Discussion ensued.*

*Consensus was provided and Assistant County Administrator Meyers stated he would draft language to be brought back for consideration at the next meeting.*

*Vice Chair Casbon requested that the prescription drug take back bill be removed from the 2023 Legislative Agenda, as the bill had already passed.*

*Assistant County Administrator Meyers noted that he would make the requested edits to the 2023 Legislative Agenda and draft write-ups, as directed, for the next meeting.*

**8.5 [22-1293](#)**

Review and discussion regarding the Illinois Association of Counties' (ISACo) County Platform for 2023.

**Attachments:** [2023 County Platform](#)

*Matt Meyers, Assistant County Administrator, introduced Joe McCoy, Executive Director of Illinois Association of Counties (ISACo), who gave a general overview of the 2023 ISACo County Platform and invited the Lake County Legislative Committee and the Lake County Board to provide their input on the document prior to the end of November.*

*Discussion ensued.*

*Assistant County Administrator Meyers suggested that Committee/Board Members forward any suggestions for the 2023 ISACo County Platform document to him and he would then compile and send a final list of suggestions to Executive Director McCoy.*

*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. Members' Remarks**

*There were no Members' Remarks.*

**12. Adjournment**

*Chair Wasik declared the meeting adjourned at 2:32 p.m.*

**Next Meeting: October 4, 2022**

*Meeting minutes prepared by Theresa Glatzhofer.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

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*Legislative Committee Chair*