

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.

Minutes were approved on June 3, 2025, by the Law and Judicial Committee.