

Lake County Illinois

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



Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday, March 3, 2026

8:30 AM

Assembly Room, 10th Floor or register for remote attendance at:
<https://bit.ly/3Zlpczq>

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

Member Casbon led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call of Members

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

**Electronic Attendance: Member Danforth, due to employment reasons*

Other Attendees

In Person:

*Sandy Hart, County Board Chair
Chris Anderson-Sell, Communications
Chris Hoff, Health Department
Robin Van Sickle, Health Department
Mike Adam, Health Department
Dominic Strezio, Planning, Building and Development
Eric Waggoner, Planning, Building and Development
Lacey Simpson, County Administrator's Office
RuthAnne Hall, County Administrator's Office
Patrice Sutton, County Administrator's Office
Theresa Glatzhofer, County Board Office*

Electronically:

*Matt Meyers, County Administrator's Office
Kevin Quinn, Communications
Jennifer Brennan, Communications
Sonia Hernandez, County Administrator's Office
Christine Sher, Stormwater Management
Ed Gallagher, PACE
Michael Wheeler, Finance
Brea Barnes, Finance
Pamela Jeffries, Planning, Building and Development
Courtney Cymerman, Health Department*

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 Parekh welcomed everyone to the meeting.

7. **Unfinished Business**

There was no unfinished business to discuss.

8. **New Business**

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 8.1)

MINUTES

8.1 **26-0211**

Committee action approving the Health and Community Services Committee minutes from February 3, 2026.

Attachments: [HCS 2.3.26 Final Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Member Casbon, seconded by Vice Chair Altenberg, that these minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

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

REGULAR AGENDA

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

8.2 **26-0260**

Joint resolution amending the Lake County Health Department Environmental Health Fees Schedule (as authorized in Lake County Code of Ordinances Chapter 178).

Attachments: [Clean ACC Municipal Fees - Proposed](#)
[Redline ACC Municipal Fees - Proposed EHAC 11.17.25](#)

Mike Adam, Director of Environmental Health, Health Department, and Chris Hoff, Executive Director, Health Department, explained that this item is to amend the Lake County Health Department Environmental Health Fees Schedule. Discussion ensued. Robin Van Sickle, Coordinator of Animal Care and Control, Health Department, assisted in answering questions from the Committee.

A motion was made by Member Cunningham, seconded by Member Maine, 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 Casbon, Member Ross Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Knizhnik, Member Maine and Chair Parekh

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

8.3 **26-0282**

Presentation on Highlights from Housing Lake Summit and Next Steps.

Attachments: [26-0282 Housing Lake Recap](#)

Eric Waggoner, Planning, Building and Development Director, and Dominic Strezo, Community Development Administrator, provided a presentation regarding the highlights and next steps from the Housing Lake Summit. Discussion ensued.

Member Maine left the meeting at 10:07 a.m.

8.4 [26-0176](#)

Resolution approving a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Lake County and the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) to advance the work of the Lake County Coalition for Housing (Housing Lake).

Attachments: [2025.065_DRAFT_LakeCountyMOU_20260127](#)

Dominic Strezo, Community Development Administrator, explained that this item is to approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Lake County and the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) to advance the work of the Lake County Coalition for Housing (Housing Lake). Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Member Casbon, seconded by Member Cunningham, that this resolution be approved and recommended to the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

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

Not Present: 1 - Member Maine

9. County Administrator's Report

Patrice Sutton, County Administrator, noted that an agenda item regarding establishing a federal funding contingency reserve from the General Fund fund balance will be discussed and voted on at the upcoming March 5, 2026, Financial and Administrative Committee meeting. Discussion ensued.

Member Cunningham left the meeting at 10:19 a.m.

Dominic Strezo, Community Development Administrator, noted that the application process for the Healthy Houses program is now open. Discussion ensued.

10. Executive Session

The Committee did not enter into Executive Session.

11. Member Remarks and Requests

Chair Parekh thanked Eric Waggoner, Planning, Building and Development Director, and Dominic Strezo, Community Development Administrator, for all their hard work on the housing issue.

12. Adjournment

Chair Parekh declared the meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Next Meeting: March 31, 2026

Meeting minutes prepared by Theresa Glatzhofer.