

Lake County Illinois

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



Meeting Minutes - Final

Wednesday, November 2, 2016

8:30 AM

Assembly Room, 10th Floor

Public Works and Transportation Committee

1. **Call to Order**

Chair Thomson-Carter called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Present 8 - Chair Thomson-Carter, Vice Chair Sauer, Member Durkin, Member Maine, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor and Member Werfel

Absent 1 - Member Hewitt

Others present:

Barry Burton, County Administrator

Anthony Cooling, Finance and Administrative Services

Cam Davis, Assistant County Administrator

Ben Gilbertson, County Administrator's Office

Al Giertych, Division of Transportation

Adlil Issakoo, County Administrator's Office

Emily Karry, Division of Transportation

Kevin Kerrigan, Division of Transportation

Peter Kolb, Public Works

Amy McEwan, Deputy County Administrator

Phil Perna, Public Works

Blanca Vela-Schneider, County Board Office

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

Member Durkin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **Approval of Minutes**

3.1 **[16-0902](#)**

Minutes from August 31, 2016.

A motion was made by Member Mathias, seconded by Member Werfel, that the minutes be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 8 - Chair Thomson-Carter, Vice Chair Sauer, Member Durkin, Member Maine, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor and Member Werfel

Absent: 1 - Member Hewitt

4. **Added to Agenda**

There were no items added to the agenda.

5. **Public Comment**

There were no comments from the public.

6. **Old Business**

There was no old business to conduct.

7. New Business

DIVISION OF TRANSPORTATION

7.1 [16-1035](#)

Ordinance providing for the establishment of an altered speed zone for 45 miles per hour (M.P.H.), currently designated 55 M.P.H., on Townline Road, located in Avon Township, in conformity with Chapter 625 - Section 5/11-604 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes.

A motion was made by Member Pedersen, seconded by Member Sauer, that this item be recommended for adoption to the County Board agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 8 - Chair Thomson-Carter, Vice Chair Sauer, Member Durkin, Member Maine, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor and Member Werfel

Absent: 1 - Member Hewitt

7.2 [16-1065](#)

Joint resolution authorizing a contract with AC Pavement Striping Company, Elgin, Illinois, in the amount of \$980,070.05, for the 2016 microsurfacing of Rollins Road, from Hook Drive to Illinois Route 132, and designated as Section 16-00080-61-RS.

A motion was made by Member Werfel, seconded by Member Mathias, that this item be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 8 - Chair Thomson-Carter, Vice Chair Sauer, Member Durkin, Member Maine, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor and Member Werfel

Absent: 1 - Member Hewitt

7.3 [16-1067](#)

Joint resolution authorizing a contract with Alliance Contractors, Inc., Woodstock, Illinois, in the amount of \$618,683.50, for the repair of six bridge abutments on the North Shore Bike Path over the Skokie River, the Canadian National Railroad, and the Metra Railroad, and designated as Section 16-00999-25-BR.

A motion was made by Member Durkin, seconded by Member Maine, that this item be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 8 - Chair Thomson-Carter, Vice Chair Sauer, Member Durkin, Member Maine, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor and Member Werfel

Absent: 1 - Member Hewitt

7.4 [16-1059](#)

Joint resolution appropriating \$30,000 of County Bridge Tax funds and \$149,000 of Matching Tax funds to provide for fiscal year (FY) 2017 acquisition of materials and services needed to maintain such items as drainage and bridge facilities, pavements, shoulders, guardrails, fencing, signage, and right-of-way, and designated as Section 17-00000-03-GM.

A motion was made by Member Maine, seconded by Member Pedersen, that this

**item be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee.
The motion carried unanimously.**

Aye: 8 - Chair Thomson-Carter, Vice Chair Sauer, Member Durkin, Member Maine, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor and Member Werfel

Absent: 1 - Member Hewitt

7.5 [16-1058](#)

Joint resolution appropriating \$82,500 of County Bridge Tax funds, \$137,100 of Matching Tax funds, and \$119,500 of ¼% Sales Tax for Transportation funds for fiscal year (FY) 2017 miscellaneous services needed to address items such as soil, environmental, drainage, bridge, wetland, and right-of-way purchases, and designated as Section 17-00000-02-EG.

A motion was made by Member Sauer, seconded by Member Durkin, that this item be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 8 - Chair Thomson-Carter, Vice Chair Sauer, Member Durkin, Member Maine, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor and Member Werfel

Absent: 1 - Member Hewitt

7.6 [16-1063](#)

Joint resolution appropriating \$165,000 of ¼% Sales Tax for Transportation funds for the FY 2017 Joint Utility Locating Information for Excavators, Inc. (JULIE) annual fee, ticket screening, and locating of Lake County Division of Transportation's (LCDOT) storm sewers for excavator dig requests for various County highways, and designated as Section 17-00000-09-GM.

Al Giertych of the Division of Transportation reported that the the appropriation will allow the County to pay the the expenses for the Joint Utility Location Information for Excavators, Inc. (JULIE) related to the annual fee, ticket screening, and locating of Lake County storm sewers.

A motion was made by Member Taylor, seconded by Member Mathias, that this item be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 8 - Chair Thomson-Carter, Vice Chair Sauer, Member Durkin, Member Maine, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor and Member Werfel

Absent: 1 - Member Hewitt

7.7 [16-1099](#)

Joint resolution appropriating \$1,500,000 of Matching Tax funds for the resurfacing of Greenleaf Street, from Washington Street to Illinois Route 120, and designated as Section 15-00184-04-RS.

A motion was made by Member Durkin, seconded by Member Taylor, that this item be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 8 - Chair Thomson-Carter, Vice Chair Sauer, Member Durkin, Member Maine, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor and Member Werfel

Absent: 1 - Member Hewitt

7.8 [16-1102](#)

Joint resolution authorizing an agreement with Amec Foster Wheeler Environment and Infrastructure, Inc., Chicago, Illinois, at a cost of \$77,844, for professional services for the provision of Phase II design engineering services to stabilize an existing sheet piling wall adjacent to the multi-use path on the north side of Grass Lake Road, appropriating \$90,000 of Matching Tax funds, and designated as Section 16-00059-11-BR.

Al Giertych of the Division of Transportation reported that the work will occur at the bridge on the north side of Grass Lakes Road. The sheet pilings wall, that was installed next to the bike path in the 1990's, needs to be re-stabilized.

A motion was made by Member Pedersen, seconded by Member Sauer, that this item be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 8 - Chair Thomson-Carter, Vice Chair Sauer, Member Durkin, Member Maine, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor and Member Werfel

Absent: 1 - Member Hewitt

7.9 [16-1073](#)

Ordinance amending Chapter 96, Recreational Vehicles on Land, of the Lake County Code of Ordinance to allow for enforcement by the Sheriff and municipal police of manual on uniform traffic control devices (MUTCD) signs placed on Lake County bike paths.

Al Giertych of the Division of Transportation reported that the ordinance allows municipal police officers, sheriff deputies, and forest preserve officers to enforce signage on Lake County bike trails.

A motion was made by Member Werfel, seconded by Member Maine, that this item be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 8 - Chair Thomson-Carter, Vice Chair Sauer, Member Durkin, Member Maine, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor and Member Werfel

Absent: 1 - Member Hewitt

7.10 [16-1068](#)

Joint resolution authorizing an agreement with the City of North Chicago for the jurisdictional transfer of Lewis Avenue, from Argonne Drive to 14th Street, from the City of North Chicago to Lake County, and designated as Section 14-00999-05-RS.

Member Maine inquired why the County is allowing the City of Waukegan to provide routine maintenance of the road but have the County continue to assume the maintenance of capital projects. Al Giertych of the Division of Transportation indicated Lewis Road was already resurfaced from 14th Street to Belvidere Road. He indicated that the City of Waukegan would like to maintain permit access control. Member Maine requested that standard criteria be developed for consistency throughout the County.

Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Member Durkin, seconded by Member Werfel, that this resolution be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 7 - Chair Thomson-Carter, Vice Chair Sauer, Member Durkin, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor and Member Werfel

Nay: 1 - Member Maine

Absent: 1 - Member Hewitt

7.11 [16-1072](#)

Joint resolution authorizing an agreement with the City of Waukegan for the jurisdictional transfer of Lewis Avenue, from 14th Street to Belvidere Street, from the City of Waukegan to Lake County, and designated as Section 16-00082-08-RS.

A motion was made by Member Durkin, seconded by Member Werfel, that this item be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 8 - Chair Thomson-Carter, Vice Chair Sauer, Member Durkin, Member Maine, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor and Member Werfel

Absent: 1 - Member Hewitt

7.12 [16-1078](#)

Joint resolution authorizing a master agreement with the City of Waukegan regarding the energy, maintenance, and future costs of City owned traffic control signals and interconnection with Lake County PASSAGE.

A motion was made by Member Sauer, seconded by Member Durkin, that this item be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 8 - Chair Thomson-Carter, Vice Chair Sauer, Member Durkin, Member Maine, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor and Member Werfel

Absent: 1 - Member Hewitt

7.13 [16-1064](#)

Joint committee action item approving Change Order Number Two, consisting of an increase of \$12,968.75 for additions to the Hart Road, at U.S. Route 14, Intersection Improvement; Phase II Consultant Agreement, and designated as Section 09-00174-05-CH.

A motion was made by Member Mathias, seconded by Member Taylor, that this item be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 8 - Chair Thomson-Carter, Vice Chair Sauer, Member Durkin, Member Maine, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor and Member Werfel

Absent: 1 - Member Hewitt

7.14 [16-1074](#)

Joint committee action item approving Change Order Number One, consisting of an increase of \$32,000 for additions to the Buffalo Creek Wetland Bank Phase II Consultant Agreement, and designated as Section No.01-00000-00-ES.

Emily Karry of the Division of Transportation indicated that this is the first wetland bank project design for the County. The Army Corp of Engineers has requested that adjustments be made, which has increased the cost beyond the project's 10 percent contingency.

This matter was approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee

7.15 [16-1075](#)

Joint resolution authorizing an agreement with the State of Illinois/Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) for the 2016/2017 winter season routine snow and ice control on designated state roads and authorizing an emergency appropriation of \$208,324 in the County Highway Tax fund and \$106,986 in the Motor Fuel Tax fund in FY2016.

Kevin Kerrigan of the Division of Transportation presented the proposed agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) to permit the County to snow plow three state roads. He reviewed the terms of the agreement, noting that the County will purchase the snow plow trucks and hire snow birds prior to payment from IDOT. He reported that the three roads to be plowed are Route 83 from Route 173 to Route 120, Route 173 from Wilmot Road to Route 41, and Route 120 from Route 83 to Mill Road. If the County experiences an unusually heavy snowfall period, the County will return to IDOT to renegotiate the contract. Mr. Kerrigan noted that the County has requested that any townships interested in assisting IDOT should contact IDOT directly.

A motion was made by Member Werfel, seconded by Member Pedersen, that this item be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 8 - Chair Thomson-Carter, Vice Chair Sauer, Member Durkin, Member Maine, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor and Member Werfel

Absent: 1 - Member Hewitt

7.16 [16-0028](#)

Director's Report - Transportation.

Al Giertych of the Division of Transportation reported that a RTA/Metra combined budget presentation will occur this evening at the Mundelein Village Hall, a public hearing for the Cook County Road Project from Quintin Road to Lake Cook Road will be held on November 15, 2016 at the Holiday Inn in Palatine, and a public hearing for the Skokie Valley Bridge Project meeting will be held on November 29, 2016 at the Highland Park Police Station. Mr. Giertych reported that a public information meeting will be held on November 30, 2016 for the Deerfield Road Project at Aptakistic Junior High in Buffalo Grove and a public hearing on the 59th and Grand Project will be held on November 31, 2016 at the Fox Lake Library.

Mr. Giertych reported that RTA, Metra, and Pace will present their budget to the County Board at the Committee of the Whole meeting on November 4, 2016. The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) is currently holding its multi-year capital improvement meetings. Mr. Giertych stated that due to a culvert failing, an emergency culvert repair is underway north of Grand Avenue which will require a two day road closure on Sand Lake Road. Mr. Giertych added that the snow and ice control workshops have been well received and a third session was added to allow private contractors to attend.

PUBLIC WORKS

7.17 [16-1104](#)

Joint committee action approving Change Order Number Two for the Bridlewood Reservoir Project professional services scope revisions with Rezek Henry Meisenheimer Engineers, Inc. Mundelein, Illinois, in the amount of \$4,206.

Public Works Director Peter Kolb reported that the project has exceeded its 10 percent contingency due to a variance that was approved by the Lake County Zoning Board of Appeals, requiring site revisions and the abandonment of well number six. There was also additional work that was not previously included in the project scope but is germane to the project.

A motion was made by Member Maine, seconded by Member Werfel, that this item be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 8 - Chair Thomson-Carter, Vice Chair Sauer, Member Durkin, Member Maine, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor and Member Werfel

Absent: 1 - Member Hewitt

7.18 [16-1106](#)

Update regarding the activities of the Des Plaines River Watershed Workgroup (DRWW).

Public Works Director Peter Kolb reported that the Stormwater Management Commission is a dues paying member of the Des Plaines River Watershed Workgroup. He introduced Mike Warner of the Stormwater Management Commission. Mr. Warner provided an update on the Des Plaines River Watershed Workgroup. He reported that there are 20 members in the group, an increase of two members from 2015, and that \$226,000 has been collected for dues. Mr. Warner reviewed the voting tier of participants, noting several agencies are required by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) to hold individual permits for wastewater treatment plants.

Mr. Warner identified accomplishments of the group, to date, including the development of a stakeholder contact database, the hosting of seven meetings, and completion of the stream and detention basin inventory. The group is monitoring the water for living organisms, elements that are being dissolved in the water, and elements that are contained in the stream sediment. The group is working with regulators to determine if there is a way to do projects, that will accomplish the same results, that are being requested by the IEPA without putting restrictions on phosphorous levels at wastewater treatment centers.

7.19 [16-0040](#)

Director's Report - Public Works.

Public Works Director Peter Kolb reported that this is his last meeting, noting that he will retire in December. He thanked the Committee members for their support. Several Board members thanked Director Kolb for his Service.

Mr. Kolb updated the Committee regarding obtaining easements in Section 907 of the Central Lake County Joint Action Water Agency agreement. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Kolb noted that the County will go into mediation later this month with the Village of Fox Lake regarding a contract dispute. Chair Thomson-Carter provided an update regarding the sanitary sewer policy committee meeting.

Members of the Committee thanked Chair Thomson Carter for her guidance and leadership on the Public Works and Transportation Committee and as a fellow board member. Chair Thomson Carter remarked on her time with the County and thanked staff and board members.

8. **Executive Session**

The Committee did not enter into Executive Session.

8.1 [16-1113](#)

Executive session to review closed session minutes pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(21).

This item was not reviewed in Executive Session.

8.1A [16-1117](#)

Committee action regarding semi-annual review of closed session minutes.

A motion was made by Member Maine, seconded by Member Werfel, to accept the State's Attorney's recommendation regarding closed session minutes. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 8 - Chair Thomson-Carter, Vice Chair Sauer, Member Durkin, Member Maine, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor and Member Werfel

Absent: 1 - Member Hewitt

9. **County Administrator's Report**

Deputy County Administrator Amy McEwan, on behalf of the County Administrator's Office, thanked Public Works Director Peter Kolb and Chair Thomson Carter for their work on behalf of the County and wished them the best in their future endeavors.

10. **Adjournment**

Chair Thomson Carter adjourned the Public Works and Transportation Committee meeting at 10:12 a.m.

Meeting minutes prepared by Blanca Vela-Schneider.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman

Vice-Chairman

Public Works and Transportation Committee