

Lake County Illinois

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



Agenda Report - Final

Tuesday, November 4, 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/4oy5aly>

Law & Judicial Committee

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE: The public can attend Lake County Committee and Board meetings in one of two ways:

- (1) In-person attendance is on the 10th Floor of the County Administrative Tower, 18 N. County Street, Waukegan, Illinois.
- (2) Remote attendance through an electronic conferencing application (register via the link on the front page of the agenda).

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

An opportunity for Public Comment will be provided during the meeting in accordance with the Lake County Board Rules of Order and Operational Procedures. At the time of Public Comment, it will proceed in the following order: (1) Public Comment by individuals in attendance and then (2) Public Comment by individuals attending remotely through an electronic conferencing application. Individuals 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 or delivered to the County Board Office, 18 N. County Street, Waukegan, Illinois, (10th floor)). Written comments will be circulated to the Members, but not read aloud.

PLEASE NOTE: An individual is allowed 3 minutes total for one or more public comments.

Individuals providing Public Comment will provide the following information:

Meeting: Law and Judicial Committee (Subject line for written Public Comment)

Topic or Agenda Item #: (REQUIRED)

Name: (REQUIRED)

Organization/Entity Represented: (REQUIRED) ("Self" if representing self)

Street Address, City, State: (Optional)

Phone Number: (Optional)

Email: May be REQUIRED for remote attendance

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call of Members
4. Addenda to the Agenda
5. Public Comment
6. Chair's Remarks
7. Unfinished Business
8. New Business

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 8.1 - 8.4)

MINUTES

8.1 **25-1440**

Committee action approving the Law and Judicial Committee minutes from October 7, 2025.

Attachments: [L&J 10.7.25 Final Minutes](#)

REPORTS

8.2 **25-1402**

Report from Erin Cartwright Weinstein, Clerk of the Circuit Court, September 2025.

Attachments: [County Board Report FY25 - 09 September 2025.pdf](#)

8.3 **25-1401**

Report from Jennifer Banek, Coroner, for the month of August 2025.

Attachments: [L&JrepAUG25](#)

8.4 **25-1414**

Report from John D. Idleburg, Sheriff, for the month of September 2025.

Attachments: [Revenue Report SEPTEMBER 2025](#)

REGULAR AGENDA***NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT*****8.5 25-1471**

Joint resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$223,600, with offsetting revenue from the Illinois Department of Human Services settlement payment to fund a staff psychologist position within the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit Court, Psychological Services Division and increasing full-time headcount by one position.

- In June 2025, the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit Court received a settlement payment of \$223,600 from the Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS) to support behavioral and mental health initiatives within the criminal justice system.
- The Court continues to experience a growing demand for psychological evaluations, competency assessments, and treatment referrals for justice-involved individuals.
- Adding an in-house staff psychologist will expand access to timely psychological services, support case processing efficiency, and strengthen behavioral health coordination across probation.
- The \$223,600 IDHS settlement provides a one-time, multi-year funding source which will support this position until expended.
- An emergency appropriation is needed to allocate the settlement funds into the Circuit Court budget with offsetting revenue from the IDHS settlement.

Attachments: [Grant Budget Summary - Courts Staff Psychologist 2025](#)

8.6 25-1472

Joint resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation of \$440,000 for Fiscal Year 2025 and accepting additional funding from the Administrative Offices of the Illinois Courts.

- In September 2025, the 19th Judicial Circuit Court received \$440,000 in additional salary reimbursement funding for the period of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, which was not previously appropriated.
- This multi-year funding will be used to establish a full-time Technical Analyst position to support court technology systems and enhance digital services to improve court access, operational efficiency, and user experience.
- This position will support and strengthen Court technology systems, including Case management platforms, Courtroom technology systems, Public-facing digital services and online tools, Internal court business systems and applications.
- This position is critical to maintaining continuity of court operations, improving public access, and advancing the Court's technology modernization across the departments of the Circuit Court, Circuit Clerk, State's Attorney, and Public Defender.
- An emergency appropriation of \$440,000 for the Tech Analyst, with offsetting revenue from salary reimbursements, is requested.

- If funding for the position ends, and new funding is not secured, the position will be eliminated.

Attachments: [Grant Budget Summary - Courts_Tech Analyst 2025](#)

STATE'S ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

8.7 [25-1424](#)

Joint resolution authorizing the acceptance and execution of a renewal Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Violent Crime Prosecution Grant which will assist the Lake County State's Attorney's Office with the prosecution of violent crimes within Lake County, including an emergency appropriation of \$200,000 in grant funds.

- The Lake County State's Attorney's Office (LCSAO) has been awarded a renewal grant of \$200,000 in JAG Violent Crime Prosecution funds through the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA).
- The one-year grant term is October 1, 2025, through September 30, 2026.
- The LCSAO will use funds to offset salary and fringe costs of a full-time (1 FTE) Assistant State's Attorney (position number 41068) and 40 percent of a full-time (1 FTE) Data Analyst (position number 41192).
- The Assistant State's Attorney will focus on prosecuting gun violence offenses within Lake County and the Data Analyst will track and map violent crime incidents.
- If funding for the Data Analyst position ends, and new funding is not secured, the position will be eliminated; the Assistant State's Attorney headcount is part of the SAO position inventory.

Attachments: [422100 JAG VCU Grant-Budget Summary.pdf](#)

9. County Administrator's Report

10. Executive Session

11. Member Remarks and Requests

12. Adjournment

Next Meeting: December 2, 2025