

Lake County Illinois

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



Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday, June 3, 2025

1:00 PM

Assembly Room, 10th Floor or register for remote attendance at:

<https://bit.ly/4kosY9I>

Legislative Committee

1. Call to Order

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

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Member Roberts led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call of Members

Present 4 - Member Hunter, Member Roberts, Member Vealitzek and Chair Wasik

Absent 3 - Vice Chair Campos, Member Kyle and Member Schlick

Other Attendees*In Person:*

Sandy Hart, County Board Chair

Mary Ross Cunningham, County Board Vice Chair

Jennifer Clark, Board Member

Marah Altenberg, Board Member

Matt Meyers, County Administrator's Office

Patrice Sutton, County Administrator's Office

Theresa Glatzhofer, County Board Office

Kevin Quinn, Communications

Keay Crandall, County Administrator's Office

Steve Spagnolo, State's Attorney's Office

Electronically:

Carissa Casbon, Board Member

Derek Blaida, Strategic Advocacy Group

Greg Bales, McGuire-Woods Consulting, LLC

Elizabeth Brandon, County Administrator's Office

Demar Harris, Workforce Development

Jim Chamernik, Sheriff's Office

Christine Sher, Stormwater Management

Abby Krakow, Communications

Kim Lunt, County Administrator's Office

Alex Carr, Communications

Shane Schneider, Division of Transportation

Kurt Woolford, Stormwater Management

4. Addenda to the Agenda

Matt Meyers, Deputy County Administrator, requested to move item 8.3 after item 8.1.

There were no objections from the Committee.

5. Public Comment

There were no comments from the public.

6. Chair's Remarks

Chair Wasik noted that the spring legislative session in Springfield has concluded. Chair Wasik also notified the Committee that the Mass Transit bill did not pass. Discussion ensued.

7. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business to discuss.

8. New Business**CONSENT AGENDA (Item 8.1)*****MINUTES*****8.1 [25-0725](#)**

Committee action approving the Legislative Committee minutes from May 6, 2025.

Attachments: [LEG 5.6.25 Final Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Member Vealitzek, seconded by Member Hunter, that these minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Aye: 4 - Member Hunter, Member Roberts, Member Vealitzek and Chair Wasik

Absent: 3 - Vice Chair Campos, Member Kyle and Member Schlick

REGULAR AGENDA

Item 8.3 was moved after Item 8.1.

8.3 [25-0759](#)

Update and discussion regarding Federal Legislative items.

Greg Bales, McGuire-Woods Consulting, LLC, provided a summary of the Federal 2025 legislative session thus far. Topics included: community project funding/Congressionally Directed Spending, budget reconciliation, sanctuary jurisdictions, and the funding status for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). Discussion ensued.

8.2 [25-0758](#)

Update and discussion regarding the State of Illinois 2025 Legislative Sessions.

Derek Blaida, Strategic Advocacy Group, provided a summary of the State of Illinois 2025 legislative session thus far. Topics included bills related to: the state budget, mass transit, pensions, the public defender, and the Route 53 Greenway. Discussion ensued.

8.4 [25-0760](#)

Discussion and presentation related to filed State and Federal Bills.

Matt Meyers, Deputy County Administrator, explained that many of the County's bills of interest did not progress.

8.5 [25-0761](#)

Presentation and Committee action regarding policy resolution and platform change submission for the upcoming 2025 National Association of Counties (NACo) Annual

Conference.

Attachments: [DRAFT - Policy Resolution for BEAD](#)
[DRAFT - Policy Resolution for Digital Literacy Programming](#)
[DRAFT - Policy Resolution Related to EI-ISAC Funding Cuts](#)
[DRAFT - Policy Resolution for Railway Safety](#)
[DRAFT - Policy Resolution for CVI](#)

Matt Meyers, Deputy County Administrator, explained the process for submitting policy resolutions and platform changes to the 2025 National Association of Counties (NACo) Annual Conference. Deputy County Administrator Meyers further noted that the County has five submissions this year pertaining to the following topics: Community-based Violence Intervention Funding, Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment (BEAD) Program funding, Digital Literacy program funding, Election Cybersecurity Funding, and Railway Safety.

Mary Ross Cunningham, County Board Vice Chair, provided additional information regarding the Community-based Violence Intervention Funding policy resolution. Discussion ensued.

Jennifer Clark, Technology Committee and Public Works and Transportation Committee Chair, provided background regarding the Election Cybersecurity Funding, BEAD Program, Digital Literacy program, and Railway Safety policy resolutions. Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Member Roberts, seconded by Member Vealitzek, that this committee action be approved. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Aye: 4 - Member Hunter, Member Roberts, Member Vealitzek and Chair Wasik

Absent: 3 - Vice Chair Campos, Member Kyle and Member Schlick

9. County Administrator's Report

Matt Meyers, Deputy County Administrator, noted that he will begin working with staff to put together a draft of the Lake County 2026 Legislative Agenda in early July.

10. Executive Session

The Committee did not enter into Executive Session.

11. Member Remarks and Requests

Member Roberts thanked Jennifer Clark, Technology and Public Works and Transportation Committee Chair; Mary Ross Cunningham, County Board Vice Chair; and Matt Meyers, Deputy County Administrator, for bringing forward the policy resolution and platform change submissions for the 2025 National Association of Counties (NACo) Annual Conference.

Member Vealitzek provided an update on the Route 53 Greenway funding. Discussion

ensued.

12. Adjournment

Chair Wasik declared the meeting adjourned at 1:59 p.m.

Next Meeting: August 5, 2025

Meeting minutes prepared by Theresa Glatzhofer.