

Lake County Illinois

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



Meeting Minutes - Final

Thursday, February 4, 2021

8:30 AM

Meeting held by video conference. Register to virtually attend the meeting at <http://bit.ly/3a1T5R4>

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Financial & Administrative Committee

Pursuant to Section 7(e) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act, the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation, and the Written Determination of the Lake County Board Chair, this meeting will be held by audio and video conference.

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE: The public wishing to attend remotely / virtually may: (1) register at the link on the front page of this agenda to attend by audio or video conference or (2) attend remotely on the 10th Floor of the Administrative Tower, 18 N. County Street, Waukegan, Illinois (limited to the number of persons in keeping with social distancing requirements, currently 10 people).

PUBLIC VIEWING: This meeting will be live-streamed at <http://lakecounty.tv/> and on Comcast Channel 18 or 30 and AT&T Channel 99.

PUBLIC COMMENT: The public will be afforded time to comment on matters related to the business of the County Board. Individuals attending remotely / virtually may present their Public Comment during the meeting. Individuals not in attendance 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)). Public Comment on items not on the agenda will be presented at the beginning of the meeting under "Public Comment." Comments on agenda items may be presented during consideration of that item. A total of 30 minutes will be permitted for Public Comment and no more than three minutes per Comment.

Public Comment will proceed in the following order: (1) Public Comment by individuals in attendance (on the 10th Floor and then those via the registration link) then (2) written comments in the order they are received. To view County Board Rules, click here: <https://bit.ly/3idRdrV> .

Individuals providing Public Comment will provide the following information:

- * Meeting: Financial and Administrative Committee
(Must be the Subject line for written Public Comment)
- * Name: (Required)
- * Street Address, City, State (Optional):
- * Phone Number (Optional):

* Organization/Agency/etc. Represented (If representing yourself, put "Self"):

* Topic or Agenda Item # (if applicable) - followed by the written Comment

0.0 [21-0069](#)

Chair's determination of need to meet by audio or video conference.

Attachments: [Determination - Chair Hart 12.30.20](#)

1. **Call to Order**

Chair Frank called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

Chair Frank led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **Roll Call of Members**

All members attended virtually.

Present 7 - Member Clark, Chair Frank, Member Pedersen, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Vice Chair Vealitzek and Member Wilke

Others present:

Marah Altenberg, County Board

Billy Batson, Resident

Chris Blanding, Enterprise Information Technology

Carissa Casbon, County Board

Kristy Cechini, County Board Office

Jim Chamernik, Sheriff's Office

Kevin Considine, Lake County Partners

Mary Ross Cunningham, County Board

Daniel Eder, Lake County Emergency Management Agency

Gary Gibson, County Administrator's Office

Robert Glueckert, Chief County Assessor's Office

RuthAnne Hall, Purchasing

Sandy Hart, County Board

Jim Hawkins, County Administrator's Office

Holly Kim, Treasurer

Carl Kirar, Facilities and Construction Services

John Light, Human Resources

Ann Maine, County Board

Judy Martini, County Board

Austin McFarlane, Public Works

Matt Meyers, County Administrator's Office

Brenda O'Connell, Community Development

Mark Pfister, Health Department

Mike Prusila, Stormwater Management
Gina Roberts, County Board
Stephen Rice, State's Attorney's Office
Eric Rinehart, State's Attorney
Shane Schneider, Division of Transportation
Arin Thrower, Communications
Cassandra Torstenson, County Administrator's Office
Anthony Vega, Sheriff's Office
Blanca Vela-Schneider, County Administrator's Office
John Wasik, County Board
Michael Wheeler, Finance and Administrative Services
Teri White, State's Attorney's Office
Kurt Woolford, Stormwater Management

4. Addenda to the Agenda

There were no additions or amendments to the agenda.

5. Public Comment (Items Not on the Agenda)

There were no comments from the public.

6. Chair's Remarks

There were no Chair's remarks.

7. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

8. New Business

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 8.1 - 8.11)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

8.1 21-0059

Minutes from October 20, 2020 Joint Budget Meeting.

Attachments: [F&A 10.20.20 Minutes - Final.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Member Wilke, seconded by Member Vealitzek, that items 8.1 through 8.3 be approved, and that items 8.4 through 8.11 be recommended for adoption/received and placed on the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye: 7 - Member Clark, Chair Frank, Member Pedersen, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Vice Chair Vealitzek and Member Wilke

8.2 21-0060

Minutes from October 21, 2020 Joint Budget Meeting.

Attachments: [F&A 10.21.20 Minutes - Final.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Member Wilke, seconded by Member Vealitzek, that items 8.1 through 8.3 be approved, and that items 8.4 through 8.11 be recommended for adoption/received and placed on the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye: 7 - Member Clark, Chair Frank, Member Pedersen, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Vice Chair Vealitzek and Member Wilke

8.3 [21-0061](#)

Minutes from October 22, 2020 Joint Budget Meeting.

Attachments: [F&A 10.22.20 Minutes - Final.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Member Wilke, seconded by Member Vealitzek, that items 8.1 through 8.3 be approved, and that items 8.4 through 8.11 be recommended for adoption/received and placed on the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye: 7 - Member Clark, Chair Frank, Member Pedersen, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Vice Chair Vealitzek and Member Wilke

LAW & JUDICIAL

8.4 [21-0146](#)

Joint resolution authorizing the emergency appropriation of a grant in the amount of \$20,000 from the D.A.S. Charitable Fund for the Preservation of Feline Animal Life for use by the Sheriff's Office Canine Unit.

Attachments: [2021 DAS Canine Grant Award Letter](#)

A motion was made by Member Wilke, seconded by Member Vealitzek, that items 8.1 through 8.3 be approved, and that items 8.4 through 8.11 be recommended for adoption/received and placed on the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye: 7 - Member Clark, Chair Frank, Member Pedersen, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Vice Chair Vealitzek and Member Wilke

HEALTH & COMMUNITY SERVICES

8.5 [21-0180](#)

Joint resolution accepting the Des Plaines River Watershed Workgroup Lakes Project funds and authorizing an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$80,535.50 for the Water Quality Monitoring program.

Attachments: [DRWW \\$80K](#)

A motion was made by Member Wilke, seconded by Member Vealitzek, that items 8.1 through 8.3 be approved, and that items 8.4 through 8.11 be recommended for adoption/received and placed on the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye: 7 - Member Clark, Chair Frank, Member Pedersen, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Vice Chair Vealitzek and Member Wilke

8.6 [21-0181](#)

Joint resolution accepting the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) grant and authorizing an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$75,000 for the Building Leaders of Color (BLOC) COVID-19 grant.

Attachments: [NACCHO \\$75K](#)

A motion was made by Member Wilke, seconded by Member Vealitzek, that items 8.1 through 8.3 be approved, and that items 8.4 through 8.11 be recommended for adoption/received and placed on the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye: 7 - Member Clark, Chair Frank, Member Pedersen, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Vice Chair Vealitzek and Member Wilke

PUBLIC WORKS, PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION

8.7 [21-0185](#)

Joint resolution authorizing an agreement with IMEG Corporation, Gurnee, Illinois, to provide Phase II engineering services for concrete pavement patching on Russell Road, Washington Street, and Gilmer Road, at a maximum cost of \$49,002.60, and appropriating \$60,000 of Motor Fuel Tax funds.

Attachments: [21-0185 Consultant Agreement - IMEG Corporation](#)
[21-0185 Vendor Disclosure Statement - IMEG](#)
[21-0185 Location Map - 2021 Concrete Patching](#)

A motion was made by Member Wilke, seconded by Member Vealitzek, that items 8.1 through 8.3 be approved, and that items 8.4 through 8.11 be recommended for adoption/received and placed on the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye: 7 - Member Clark, Chair Frank, Member Pedersen, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Vice Chair Vealitzek and Member Wilke

8.8 [21-0193](#)

Joint resolution authorizing a contract with Evoqua Water Technologies, Sarasota, Florida, for Calcium Nitrate and related accessories/services in the amount of \$118,080.

Attachments: [21-0193 Evoqua Calcium Nitrate Award Information.pdf](#)
[21-0193 Evoqua Calcium Nitrate response to bid.pdf](#)
[21-0193 Evoqua Calcium Nitrate Vendor Disclosure.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Member Wilke, seconded by Member Vealitzek, that items 8.1 through 8.3 be approved, and that items 8.4 through 8.11 be recommended for

adoption/received and placed on the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye: 7 - Member Clark, Chair Frank, Member Pedersen, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Vice Chair Vealitzek and Member Wilke

8.9 [21-0194](#)

Joint resolution authorizing a Cloud Hosting Solution with Advanced Utility Systems Corporation, Toronto, Ontario, in the amount of \$68,150.

Attachments: [21-0194 CIS Infinity Bid Exemption Request.pdf](#)
[21-0194 CIS Infinity Cloud Hosting Pricing.pdf](#)
[21-0194 CIS Infinity Vendor Disclosure Statement.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Member Wilke, seconded by Member Vealitzek, that items 8.1 through 8.3 be approved, and that items 8.4 through 8.11 be recommended for adoption/received and placed on the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye: 7 - Member Clark, Chair Frank, Member Pedersen, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Vice Chair Vealitzek and Member Wilke

FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE

8.10 [21-0176](#)

Report from Robin M. O'Connor, County Clerk, for the month of December 2020.

Attachments: [LCC Report for December 2020 R.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Member Wilke, seconded by Member Vealitzek, that items 8.1 through 8.3 be approved, and that items 8.4 through 8.11 be recommended for adoption/received and placed on the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye: 7 - Member Clark, Chair Frank, Member Pedersen, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Vice Chair Vealitzek and Member Wilke

8.11 [21-0197](#)

Resolution authorizing emergency appropriations for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 in various funds for certain projects, items, and activities budgeted in the prior year and not completed.

Attachments: [Feb-21 Carryovers FINAL](#)

A motion was made by Member Wilke, seconded by Member Vealitzek, that items 8.1 through 8.3 be approved, and that items 8.4 through 8.11 be recommended for adoption/received and placed on the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye: 7 - Member Clark, Chair Frank, Member Pedersen, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Vice Chair Vealitzek and Member Wilke

REGULAR AGENDA

HEALTH & COMMUNITY SERVICES

8.12 21-0179

Joint resolution accepting the Illinois Children's Healthcare Foundation grant and authorizing an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$149,940 for the COVID-19 Screening, Assessment, and Support Services (SASS) Children's Mental Health Initiative grant.

Attachments: [COVID-19 SASS \\$149,940](#)

Mark Pfister, Health Department Executive Director, reported that this grant is for the COVID-19 Screening, Assessment, and Support Services (SASS) Children's Mental Health Initiative grant. This grant supports the assessment of children who experience psychiatric or mental health issues and connects them with the appropriate care they require.

A motion was made by Member Wilke, seconded by Member Clark, that this item be recommended for adoption to the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Clark, Chair Frank, Member Pedersen, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Vice Chair Vealitzek and Member Wilke

8.13 21-0182

Joint resolution accepting the U.S. Department of Justice grant and authorizing an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$184,383 for the Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Site-based Program grant.

Attachments: [OJP DOJ COSSAP \\$1.1M](#)

Mark Pfister, Health Department Executive Director, reported that this grant funds the Way Out Program, an Illinois Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion pilot program that fast-tracks substance abuse users to treatment programs and services.

A motion was made by Member Vealitzek, seconded by Member Clark, that this item be recommended for adoption to the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Clark, Chair Frank, Member Pedersen, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Vice Chair Vealitzek and Member Wilke

8.14 21-0183

Joint resolution accepting the Schreiber Family Foundation grant and authorizing an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$88,600 for the Coordinated Intake program.

Attachments: [Schreiber Family Foundation CIP \\$88K](#)

Mark Pfister, Health Department Executive Director, reported that the Schreiber Family Foundation grant is one of three foundations providing funding to the Coordinated Intake

Program. The Coordinated Intake Program is for Lake County children and families in need of home visit and support services. Discussion ensued regarding metrics and efficacy reports for the foundations who donate to these programs.

A motion was made by Member Taylor, seconded by Member Clark, that this item be recommended for adoption to the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Clark, Chair Frank, Member Pedersen, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Vice Chair Vealitzek and Member Wilke

PUBLIC WORKS, PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION

8.15 [21-0186](#)

Joint resolution authorizing separate agreements with the Townships of Antioch, Avon, Fremont, Grant, Lake Villa, and Wauconda providing the terms and conditions for the receipt of Township funds for the Ride Lake County West and Ride Lake County Central services.

Attachments: [21-0186 Antioch Twp RLCW Agreement](#)
[21-0186 Avon Township RLCW Agreement](#)
[21-0186 Fremont Twp RLCW Agreement](#)
[21-0186 Grant Twp RLCW Agreement](#)
[21-0186 Lake Villa Twp RLCW Agreement](#)
[21-0186 Wauconda Twp RLCW Agreement](#)
[21-0186 Location Map - Ride Lake County West \(Township Agr\)](#)

Member Wilke, noting a conflict of interest, recused himself from items 8.15 and 8.16.

Shane Schneider, Division of Transportation Director, reported that this is an annual renewal of service agreements between the County and specific townships for Ride Lake County and Ride Lake County Central Paratransit Services, a transportation service program designed to serve seniors and the disabled within the boundaries of the specified townships.

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

Aye: 6 - Member Clark, Chair Frank, Member Pedersen, Member Simpson, Member Taylor and Vice Chair Vealitzek

Recuse: 1 - Member Wilke

8.16 [21-0187](#)

Joint resolution authorizing two agreements with Pace Suburban Bus Division of the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) providing terms and conditions for the year 2021 by which Pace will continue to coordinate operations of, and partially fund, the

Ride Lake County West and the Ride Lake County Central Coordinated Transportation Services in the Townships of Antioch, Avon, Fremont, Grant, Lake Villa, Libertyville, Shields, and Wauconda, also the Villages of Libertyville and Mundelein.

Attachments: [21-0187 Pace Paratransit Agreement](#)
[21-0187 Pace Paratransit Subsidy Agreement](#)
[21-0187 Location Map - Ride Lake County West and Central \(Pace Agr\)](#)

Member Wilke, noting a conflict of interest, recused himself from items 8.15 and 8.16.

Shane Schneider, Division of Transportation Director, reported that this agreement is between the County and Pace Bus Services to provide subsidy funding on an annual basis for paratransit services on Ride Lake County and Ride Lake County Central.

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

Aye: 6 - Member Clark, Chair Frank, Member Pedersen, Member Simpson, Member Taylor and Vice Chair Vealitzek

Recuse: 1 - Member Wilke

8.17 [21-0192](#)

Joint resolution authorizing a contract with Era Valdivia Contractors Inc., Chicago, Illinois, for the Brooks Farm Water Tower Rehabilitation Project in an estimated amount of \$471,300.

Attachments: [21-0192 Brooks Farm Water Tower Rehabilitation 20177 Award Informatio](#)
[21-0192 Brooks Farm Water Tower Rehabilitation bid tab PW#2015.116.pr](#)
[21-0192 Brooks Farm Water Tower Rehabilitation Location Map PW#2015](#)
[21-0192 Brooks Farm Water Tower Rehabilitation Memo to Purchasing PV](#)
[21-0192 Brooks Farm Water Tower Rehabilitation Vendor Disclosure PW#](#)

Austin McFarlane, Public Works Interim Director, reported that this contract is for the rehabilitation project of Brooks Farm Water Tower. Discussion occurred regarding the vendor's qualifications. Gary Gibson, County Administrator, noted that the apparent low bidder was deemed non-responsive because the vendor did not meet the requirements for the contract. Era Valdivia was the next apparent low bidder who met the requirements of the contract.

A motion was made by Member Vealitzek, seconded by Member Clark, that this resolution be recommended for adoption to the County Board agenda. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Clark, Chair Frank, Member Pedersen, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Vice Chair Vealitzek and Member Wilke

8.18 [21-0195](#)

Joint resolution to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Diamond Lake School District 76 (“District 76”) regarding the Oak Terrace Water System improvements.

Attachments: [21-0195 IGA with Diamond lake School District 76 FINAL.pdf](#)

Austin McFarlane, Public Works Interim Director, reported that this intergovernmental agreement is with West Oak Middle School for the County to install a new well and above ground storage tank and treatment system to serve the school and an adjacent property. The project was approved by School District 76.

A motion was made by Member Vealitzek, seconded by Member Clark, that this resolution be recommended for adoption to the County Board agenda. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Clark, Chair Frank, Member Pedersen, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Vice Chair Vealitzek and Member Wilke

8.19 [21-0202](#)

Joint resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation for development of a Watershed-Based Plan for the Squaw Creek and Fish Lake Drain watersheds by the Stormwater Management Commission (SMC) in the amount of \$199,800 and funded by Grant Number 3192013 from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IL EPA) and other local units of government.

Attachments: [IGA 3192013 Squaw Fish Lake Watershed Plan](#)

Kurt Woolford, Interim Director of Stormwater Management, reported that this is a grant to develop a single watershed-based plan for Squaw Creek, the second largest watershed in Lake County with the most represented County Board districts. The Committee discussed working with the appropriate agency to rename the watershed.

A motion was made by Member Vealitzek, seconded by Member Wilke, that this resolution be recommended for adoption to the County Board agenda. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Clark, Chair Frank, Member Pedersen, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Vice Chair Vealitzek and Member Wilke

FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE

8.20 [21-0103](#)

Committee action authorizing the reclassification a position in the Sheriff’s Office.

Attachments: [Reclassification of Position in Sheriff Office.pdf](#)

John Light, Human Resources Director, reported that the Sheriff's office is seeking to increase the number of hours of a Re-Entry Specialist from a part-time position to a full-time position. The half position will come from a General Fund position vacancy and

the position will be entirely funded through the Inmate Welfare Fund. Jim Chamernik and Anthony Vega, Sheriff's Office, reported that the Re-Entry specialist position will help inmates transition into society and discussed the types of services the provided by the position including connecting the inmate to employment opportunities, helping the inmate secure valid identification, and connecting them to resources to find health care services after the inmate's release. Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Member Clark, seconded by Member Wilke, to approve the reclassification of the Re-Entry Specialist in the Sheriff's Office. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Clark, Chair Frank, Member Pedersen, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Vice Chair Vealitzek and Member Wilke

8.21 [21-0228](#)

Resolution approving a Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) between the County of Lake, Lake County Sheriff's Office, and the Illinois Council of Police - Clerical (ICOPS).

Attachments: [Lake County. ICOP Clerical. CBA 2018 - 2022. final.pdf](#)
[Lake County. ICOP Clerical. CBA 2018 - 2022. Redline.pdf](#)

John Light, Human Resources Director, presented the Collective Bargaining Agreement for ICOPs. This successor agreement has taken several years to negotiate. This four year agreement is retroactive to December 1, 2018 and extends to November 30, 2022. Director Light noted an error in the staff summary. This agreement does not include a provision to make Martin Luther King Day a fixed holiday, noting that this section of the negotiation had already concluded when the County Board amended the holiday schedule. Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Member Wilke, seconded by Member Clark, that this item be recommended for adoption to the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Clark, Chair Frank, Member Pedersen, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Vice Chair Vealitzek and Member Wilke

8.22 [21-0190](#)

Resolution authorizing a contract with DLT Solutions, a Tech Data Company, Herndon, Virginia, to transition the County's Oracle Hyperion Public Sector Planning and Budgeting application to Oracle's Enterprise Performance Management Cloud Enterprise services, in an amount not to exceed \$158,870.

Attachments: [DLT Solutions Proposal - Lake County- 1-20-2021.pdf](#)
[Award Information.pdf](#)
[Vendor Disclosure Form \(1\) vFE.pdf](#)

Michael Wheeler, Finance and Administrative Services, and Chris Blanding, Information

Technology, reported that this is a for the upgrade to the Hyperion system that is at its end of life. The system will be moved to the cloud and includes process improvements, integrated new program requests, and budget improvements.

A motion was made by Member Clark, seconded by Member Taylor, that this item be recommended for adoption to the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Clark, Chair Frank, Member Pedersen, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Vice Chair Vealitzek and Member Wilke

8.23 [21-0204](#)

Resolution authorizing a contract with Mythics, Inc., Virginia Beach, Virginia, for licensing and subscription of the Oracle Enterprise Performance Management Cloud application for a period of three years in an amount not to exceed \$132,000 annually for a total of \$396,000.

Attachments: [Enterprise Performance Management Quote](#)
[LC - Vendor Disclosure Form Mythics 2021.01](#)

Chris Blanding, Enterprise Information Technology Director, reported that this contract is for the licensing and subscription of the Oracle Enterprise Performance Management Cloud application.

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

Aye: 7 - Member Clark, Chair Frank, Member Pedersen, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Vice Chair Vealitzek and Member Wilke

8.24 [21-0188](#)

Resolution approving a contract with Baker Tilly US, LLP, Oak Brook, Illinois for Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 audit consulting services in an amount not to exceed \$75,000 and authorizing a line item transfer in the FY 2021 Finance and Administrative Services budget.

Attachments: [Draft Agreement](#)
[Baker Tilly vendor disclosure 1.25.21](#)

RuthAnne Hall, Purchasing, reported that this contract is for assistance on the audit. The Finance and Administrative Services Department has a vacancy for its Controller position that has yet to be filled. Discussion ensued regarding the County's efforts to fill the vacancy.

A motion was made by Member Vealitzek, seconded by Member Wilke, that this item be recommended for adoption to the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Clark, Chair Frank, Member Pedersen, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Vice Chair Vealitzek and Member Wilke

8.25 [21-0255](#)

Resolution approving the Lake County Fiscal Year 2021 (FY 2021) COVID-19 Relief and Recovery Plan and the County Administrator's authorities to execute programs within the approved COVID Response Categories.

Attachments: [COVID RR 2021 Summary\(02-01-21\)V3.pdf](#)

Jim Hawkins, Deputy County Administrator, provided an overview of the CARES Act Program that was extended until December 31, 2021. The County also applied for the Federal Emergency Rental Assistance (FERA) Program and received \$20,646,762.50 for rental/utility assistance. Additionally, the County was informed of a new Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) for small businesses.

Staff determined that approximately \$12,200,000 of the CARES Act funding could be reallocated into Fiscal Year 2021. This funding will be used to provide COVID-19 related response and recovery to include response to food insecurity, residential rental assistance programs, and support to small business programs.

Discussion ensued regarding the structure of the funding and the rental program.

A motion was made by Member Clark, seconded by Member Vealitzek, that this resolution be recommended for adoption to the County Board agenda. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Clark, Chair Frank, Member Pedersen, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Vice Chair Vealitzek and Member Wilke

8.26 [21-0215](#)

Resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$20,646,762.50 of Federal Emergency Rental Assistance (FERA) Program funds to assist households that are unable to pay rent and utilities due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Attachments: [Federal Emergency Rental Assistance \(FERA\) - Emergency Appropriation](#)

Jim Hawkins, Deputy County Administrator, reported that this resolution appropriates the money and the overarching design to increase efficiency.

A motion was made by Member Vealitzek, seconded by Member Clark, that this item be recommended for adoption to the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Clark, Chair Frank, Member Pedersen, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Vice Chair Vealitzek and Member Wilke

8.27 [21-0250](#)

Ordinance proposing the dissolution of the Lake Bluff Mosquito Abatement District (LBMAD).

Attachments: [LBMAD Dissolution - Proposing Ordinance 012821.pdf](#)

Matt Meyers, Assistant County Administrator, presented a request to dissolve the Lake Bluff Mosquito Abatement District. He reviewed the dissolution process and noted that staff is analyzing the use of the remaining funds for that district. Discussion ensued.

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

Aye: 7 - Member Clark, Chair Frank, Member Pedersen, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Vice Chair Vealitzek and Member Wilke

8.28 [21-0167](#)

Presentation by Lake County Partners.

Attachments: [LCP 2.4.21 Presentation.pdf](#)

Kevin Considine, Lake County Partners, provided a presentation on the economy. Unemployment is down to 6.3 percent (based on December 2020 data) but he noted that manufacturers are generally back to hiring. Corporate offices have transitioned to the work from home model which will have a lasting impact on transit agencies. Small businesses have been negatively impacted by the pandemic.

Mr. Considine reported that despite the challenges of the pandemic, there has been growth in Lake County. Since 2019, 2,770 jobs have been created and 1,478 jobs have been retained. Of the \$774,000 Lake County invested in Lake County Partners for economic development during a two-year period, Lake County Partners was able to reinvest it in the community which resulted in a \$290,000,000 return to Lake County.

Mr. Considine identified the role Lake County Partner plays in promoting economic growth in Lake County. One of next year's key goals is to increase diversity and inclusion. Mr. Considine noted that Lake County Partners receive a large grant to develop a new comprehensive economic strategy for Lake County.

Discussion ensued regarding Lake County Partner's efforts and what can be done in Lake County to continue to be attractive to businesses.

Lake County Partners provided a presentation.

9. Directors' Reports

9.1 [21-0210](#)

Director's Report.

Enterprise Information Technology

Chris Blanding, Enterprise Information Technology Director, provided an update regarding the County's efforts in transitioning employees to a new phone system on Teams.

Human Resources

The Committee inquired regarding the surge in fraudulent unemployment claims at Lake County. John Light, Human Resources Director, reported that this is a state-wide issue and was related to the Equifax data breach.

10. County Administrator's Report

There was no County Administrator's report.

11. Executive Session

The Committee did not enter into Executive Session.

12. Members Remarks

There were no remarks from members.

13. Adjournment

Chair Frank declared the meeting adjourned at 10:41 a.m.

Next Meeting: February 25, 2021

Minutes prepared by Blanca Vela-Schneider.

Respectfully submitted,

Financial and Administrative Committee, Chair