

Lake County Illinois

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



Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday, October 6, 2009

11:00 AM

Conference Room C, 10th Floor

Law and Judicial Committee

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

Present 7 - Chair Nixon, Member Calabresa, Member Cunningham, Vice Chair Gravenhorst, Member Carey, Member Feldman and Member Lawlor

Others present:

Amy McEwan, Sr. Assistant County Administrator

Suzi Schmidt, County Board Chair

Barry Burton, County Administrator

Mike Waller, State's Attorney

Gary Gordon, Financial & Administrative Services

Marci Jumisko, Court Administration

Rosemary Gray, Probation

Rich Henschel, Financial & Administrative Services

Keith Devoe, County Administrator

Tony Gordon, Daily Herald

Linda Wisch, County Board Office

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Chair led the pledge.

3. Approval of Minutes

3.1 09-2043

L&J and F&A joint budget minutes from September 22, 2009

A motion was made by Member Gravenhorst, seconded by Member Carey, that the minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chair Nixon, Member Calabresa, Member Cunningham, Vice Chair Gravenhorst, Member Carey, Member Feldman and Member Lawlor

3.2 09-2055

Minutes from September 1, 2009.

A motion was made by Member Lawlor, seconded by Member Gravenhorst, that the minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chair Nixon, Member Calabresa, Member Cunningham, Vice Chair Gravenhorst, Member Carey, Member Feldman and Member Lawlor

5. Added to Agenda

None.

4. Public Comment

None.

6. Old Business

6.1 09-1878

Joint resolution authorizing the execution of Program Agreement No. 407107 with the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority and an emergency appropriation of \$26,667

for the 19th Judicial Circuit "Community-Based Transitional Services for Female Offenders Program."

Presented by Sr. Asst. County Administrator Amy McEwan who spoke about the cuts in funding of probation by the State. Ms. McEwan noted that the courts are evaluating their programs and because of budget constraints, they are not going to be able to move forward with this program.

Marci Jumisko, Court Administration, advised that this program had been studied by Loyola University and they found that the program had no real impact on recidivism in the long term or in even getting people into the treatment services program.

Ms. Jumisko introduced Rose Gray of Adult Probation and noted that she will be taking over as Director in December. Ms. Gray spoke to the Committee about gender specific programs offered by Adult Probation. Ms. Gray then took questions from the Committee.

Ms. McEwan advised that there will be a presentation on detailed programming in the probation area at the CJCC meeting on November 12 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly Room for anyone interested in attending.

A motion was made by Member Calabresa, seconded by Member Gravenhorst, that this resolution be approved and referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion FAILED by the following vote:

Nay: 7 - Chair Nixon, Member Calabresa, Member Cunningham, Vice Chair Gravenhorst, Member Carey, Member Feldman and Member Lawlor

7. New Business

CIRCUIT CLERK

7.1 09-2016

Report of Sally Coffelt, Circuit Clerk for the month of August 2009.

This matter was received and placed on the consent agenda.

COURT ADMINISTRATION

7.2 09-2030

Joint resolution amending the Court Service Fee Ordinance to increase various fees imposed by the Ordinance and requesting concurrence of the Chief Judge of the 19th Judicial Circuit to impose the fee increases.

Presented by Marci Jumisko. Ms. Jumisko took questions from the Committee. County Administrator Barry Burton noted that these increases are in response to statewide cuts in probation funding. Chair Schmidt stated that the State needs to restore our funding; that is why we are raising the fees to fund probation. If the state does not restore funding, there is no way the County can sustain paying for this year after year. Discussion followed.

A motion was made by Member Calabresa, seconded by Member Gravenhorst, that this resolution be approved and referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chair Nixon, Member Calabresa, Member Cunningham, Vice Chair Gravenhorst, Member Carey, Member Feldman and Member Lawlor

7.3 09-1906

Joint resolution authorizing the execution of a Program Agreement with the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority and an emergency appropriation of \$44,280 for the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit Juvenile Pre-employment Program.

Presented by Marci Jumisko. Ms. Jumisko then took questions from the Committee.

A motion was made by Member Gravenhorst, seconded by Member Cunningham, that this resolution be approved and referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chair Nixon, Member Calabresa, Member Cunningham, Vice Chair Gravenhorst, Member Carey, Member Feldman and Member Lawlor

CORONER

7.4 09-1937

Report of Richard L. Keller, Coroner, for the Month of August 2009.

This matter was received and placed on the consent agenda

PUBLIC DEFENDER

7.5 09-1936

Report of Joy Gossman, Public Defender, for the month on August 2009.

This matter was received and placed on the consent agenda

SHERIFF

7.6 09-1935

Report of Mark C. Curran Jr., Sheriff, for the month of August 2009.

This matter was received and placed on the consent agenda

STATE'S ATTORNEY

7.7 09-2011

Joint resolution authorizing the acceptance of the renewal of interagency agreement with the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority, agreement #209315, to provide federal funding of \$48,550 for the Children's Advocacy Center Victim Advocate for an additional twelve months, covering the period October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010.

Presented by State's Attorney Mike Waller. Mr. Waller advised the new members of the committee that every year in December we have an awards ceremony at the Advocacy Center, so if you have an opportunity, please come out and see the center.

Mr. Waller also noted that the Sexual Assault Coordinating Committee had its second meeting and are making good progress in developing a countywide protocol which has directives for anyone who comes in contact with victims or offenders.

Member Cunningham reminded everyone that the NICASA Recovery Walk would be held on Saturday at Belvidere Park at 9:00 a.m. and asked for everyone's support of this worthwhile event.

A motion was made by Member Calabresa, seconded by Member Cunningham, that this item be approved and referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chair Nixon, Member Calabresa, Member Cunningham, Vice Chair Gravenhorst, Member Carey, Member Feldman and Member Lawlor

7.8 09-2010

Joint resolution authorizing the acceptance of interagency agreement #209059 with the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority to provide federal funding of \$31,790 for the Children’s Advocacy Center Bilingual Victim Advocate for an additional twelve months, covering the period October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010.

Presented by Amy McEwan.

A motion was made by Member Cunningham, seconded by Member Carey, that this resolution be approved and referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chair Nixon, Member Calabresa, Member Cunningham, Vice Chair Gravenhorst, Member Carey, Member Feldman and Member Lawlor

8. Executive Session

9. County Administrator's Report

Marci Jumisko provided maps depicting the location of individuals being supervised by both Adult and Juvenile Probation staff and advised that it is their objective to provide these maps twice a year; these maps will serve as a workload distribution snapshot of our county. Ms. McEwan advised that this map and information could be emailed to committee members if they would like to have them. We will keep reporting on the status of probation funding as we receive it. Discussion followed.

10. Adjournment

A motion was made by Member Carey, seconded by Member Cunningham, that the meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman

Vice-Chairman

Law and Judicial Committee