

Lake County Illinois

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18 N. County Street
Waukegan, IL 60085-4351*



Meeting Minutes - Final

Wednesday, November 8, 2017

8:30 AM

Assembly Room, 10th Floor

Public Works and Transportation Committee

1. Call to Order

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

Present 8 - Chair Maine, Member Danforth, Member Durkin, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor, Member Werfel and Member Wilke

Absent 1 - Vice Chair Hewitt

Others present:

Sandy Hart, County Board Member

Judy Martini, County Board Member

Yvette Albarran, Purchasing

Barry Burton, County Administrator

JoAnn Desmond, Action

Jodi Dobson, Baker Tilly

Mrak Eiden, Wanish, LLC

Robert Ells, City of Lake Forest

RuthAnne Hall, Public Works

Ben Gilbertson, Finance and Administrative Services

Bob Kiely, City of Lake Forest

Nick Kron, Public Works

Andrea Norwood, Public Works

Shane Schneider, Division of Transportation

Dave Tanoka, Action

Blanca Vela-Schneider, County Board Office

Eric Waggoner, Division of Transportation

Rodney Worden, Public Works

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Member Durkin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Approval of Minutes

There were no minutes to approve.

4. Addenda to the Agenda

There were no additions to the agenda.

5. Public Comment

There were no comments from the public.

6. Chairman's Remarks

Chair Maine offered condolences to the family of the construction worker who was struck and killed by a motorist.

7. Old Business

There was no old business to conduct.

8. New Business

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 8.1 - 8.2)

PUBLIC WORKS

8.1 [17-1202](#)

Joint resolution authorizing contracts with BP&T, Mount Prospect, Illinois, Tecorp, Inc., Joliet, Illinois, and G.P. Maintenance Services, Inc., Palos Hills, Illinois, in the amount of \$87,800 for 2017 Public Works Painting Projects at various Public Works Locations.

A motion was made by Member Pedersen, seconded by Member Mathias, that items 8.1 and 8.2 of the Consent Agenda be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Chair Maine, Member Durkin, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor, Member Werfel and Member Wilke

Absent: 1 - Vice Chair Hewitt

Not Present: 1 - Member Danforth

DIVISION OF TRANSPORTATION

8.2 [17-1242](#)

Joint resolution authorizing a contract with Burris Equipment, Waukegan, Illinois, for the purchase of a skid steer for the Lake County Division of Transportation (DOT) in the amount of \$56,244.

A motion was made by Member Pedersen, seconded by Member Mathias, that items 8.1 and 8.2 of the Consent Agenda be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Chair Maine, Member Durkin, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor, Member Werfel and Member Wilke

Absent: 1 - Vice Chair Hewitt

Not Present: 1 - Member Danforth

REGULAR AGENDA

PUBLIC WORKS

8.3 [17-1218](#)

Ordinance agreeing to an amendment to admissions agreement to the Central Lake County Joint Action Water Agency (CLCJAWA) involving the Villages of Volo and Wauconda.

Chair Maine remarked this amendment would remove language limiting Wauconda's representative and alternate to the Central Lake County Joint Action Water Agency Board of Directors to be a Trustee of the Village who has not previously served in another elected office in the Village of Wauconda.

A motion was made by Member Werfel, seconded by Member Taylor, that this item be recommended for adoption to the consent agenda. The motion carried

unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Chair Maine, Member Durkin, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor, Member Werfel and Member Wilke

Absent: 1 - Vice Chair Hewitt

Not Present: 1 - Member Danforth

8.4 [17-1263](#)

Joint resolution authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement by and between Lake County and Lakes Region Sanitary District (LRSD) to foster collaboration on sewer-related operations and services.

County Administrator Barry Burton reported this intergovernmental agreement will allow Lake County and the Lakes Region Sanitary District to work collaboratively in determining how to better service this area. Currently, this service area pays four different taxes to three different agencies. Based on the results of the analysis, staff will come back to provide a recommendation on which efficiencies should be implemented. Deputy County Administrator Amy McEwan noted this agreement will include all amendments provided by counsel and will be included in the County Board agenda. Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Member Mathias, seconded by Member Durkin, that this item be approved as amended and referred to F&A. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Chair Maine, Member Durkin, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor, Member Werfel and Member Wilke

Absent: 1 - Vice Chair Hewitt

Not Present: 1 - Member Danforth

8.5 [17-1217](#)

Joint resolution ratifying an emergency procurement with JC Cross Company, Romeoville, Illinois, in the amount of \$79,841.40 for equipment replacement at the Des Plaines River (DPR) Water Reclamation Facility (WRF).

Public Works Director Rodney Worden reported two blowers at the Des Plaines River Water Reclamation Facility required replacement due to failure and imminent failure.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Maine, Member Durkin, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor, Member Werfel and Member Wilke

Absent: 1 - Vice Chair Hewitt

Not Present: 1 - Member Danforth

8.6 [17-1225](#)

Joint resolution ratifying an emergency procurement with Joel Kennedy Construction, Inc., Waukegan, Illinois, in the amount of \$98,425 for the water main replacement of the Wildwood

Water System on Route 45.

Public Works Director Rodney Worden reported a major water main break occurred to this line three weeks ago. An emergency procurment in the amount of \$98,425 was needed to quickly repair the line. He noted that the new line was not properly supported and when the contractor began backfilling the hole yesterday, the pipe failed, causing a four hour outage. The contractor will incur this cost.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Maine, Member Durkin, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor, Member Werfel and Member Wilke

Absent: 1 - Vice Chair Hewitt

Not Present: 1 - Member Danforth

8.7 [17-1219](#)

Presentation of the fiscal year (FY) 2016 Regional Reports for the Southeast, Northeast Central and Northwest Wholesale Sewer Systems.

Public Works Rodney Worden, presented the supplementary annual audit. He noted there is no action required. Chair Maine noted this audit is essential when Public Works conducts in rate studies. Mr. Worden reported one thing the department will explore in 2018 is the opportunity to consolidate rates.

This matter was presented

8.8 [17-0060](#)

Director's Report - Public Works.

Public Works Director Rodney Worden reported on Baxter's Ground Breaking Ceremony.

Mr. Worden also reported today is the last day of the sewer interceptor lining project. There were a few complaints regarding odor, but the County was able to minimize the smell by allowing creek water into the lagoon.

A cross-connection control survey was mailed to homeowners and commercial property owners, as required by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, asking them to self-report any cross-connection issues. Staff does not anticipate many responses.

Mr. Worden introduced Nick Kron, Public Works' new agreements manager.

Chair Maine, with the concurrence of the committee, reported emergency procurements should not be included on the Consent Agenda.

DIVISION OF TRANSPORTATION

8.9 [17-1234](#)

Joint resolution appropriating \$390,000 of County Bridge Tax funds for the restoration of the drainage channel on the south side of Washington Street, west of I94, and designated as Section 16-00110-14-DR.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Maine, Member Durkin, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor, Member Werfel and Member Wilke

Absent: 1 - Vice Chair Hewitt

Not Present: 1 - Member Danforth

8.10 [17-1232](#)

Joint resolution appropriating \$1,110,000 of Matching Tax funds for the repair and stabilization of an existing sheet piling wall adjacent to the multi-use path on the north side of Grass Lake Road, and designated as Section 16-00059-11-BR.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Maine, Member Durkin, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor, Member Werfel and Member Wilke

Absent: 1 - Vice Chair Hewitt

Not Present: 1 - Member Danforth

8.11 [17-1231](#)

Joint resolution authorizing an agreement with Hampton, Lenzini, and Renwick, Inc., Elgin, Illinois, for Phase II design engineering services for engineering support and right-of-way acquisition services to construct a concrete sidewalk on the north side of Grass Lake Road at a maximum cost of \$80,860, appropriating \$90,000 of ¼% Sales Tax for Transportation funds, and designated as Section 16-00075-14-SW.

Division of Transportation Director Shane Schneider reported this is a sidewalk gap improvement project on Grass Lake Road. This sidewalk will provide access to the forest preserve. Construction is targeted for 2018.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Maine, Member Durkin, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor, Member Werfel and Member Wilke

Absent: 1 - Vice Chair Hewitt

Not Present: 1 - Member Danforth

8.12 [17-1233](#)

Joint resolution authorizing an agreement for consulting engineering services with Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Rosemont, Illinois, for Phase II design engineering services for the roadway reconstruction of Old McHenry Road, at Illinois Route 12, at a maximum cost of \$161,640, appropriating of \$200,000 of Motor Fuel Tax funds, and designated as Section 17-00085-10-CH.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Maine, Member Durkin, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor, Member Werfel and Member Wilke

Absent: 1 - Vice Chair Hewitt

Not Present: 1 - Member Danforth

8.13 [17-1241](#)

Joint resolution authorizing an agreement with Christopher B. Burke Engineering Ltd., Rosemont, Illinois, for Phase II design engineering for the intersection improvements of Wadsworth Road at Dilleys Road, and Wadsworth Road at Kilbourne Road, at a maximum cost of \$357,756.52, appropriating \$430,000 of ¼% Sales Tax for Transportation funds, and designated as Section 17-00999-47-EG.

Division of Transportation Director Shane Schneider reported this appropriation is for Phase II design engineering of the Wadsworth Road intersections at Dilleys Road and Kilbourne Road. Turning lanes will be added at the intersection of Wadsworth Road and Dilleys Road and a roundabout is being considered at Wadsworth Road and Kilbourne Road. Discussion ensued.

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: 7 - Chair Maine, Member Durkin, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor, Member Werfel and Member Wilke

Absent: 1 - Vice Chair Hewitt

Not Present: 1 - Member Danforth

8.14 [17-1239](#)

Joint resolution authorizing an agreement with the State of Illinois, Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), for the use of federal highway funds for the widening and reconstruction of Quentin Road, from White Pine Road to Illinois Route 22, and appropriates \$9,110,000 of ¼% Sales Tax for Transportation funds, and designated as Section 08-00090-12-CH.

(Member Danforth arrived at 9:03 a.m.)

Member Taylor noted there have been several public meetings regarding the widening and reconstruction of Quentin Road. The project has been well-received by the public. Discussion ensued.

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 Maine, Member Danforth, Member Durkin, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor, Member Werfel and Member Wilke

Absent: 1 - Vice Chair Hewitt

8.15 [17-1238](#)

Joint resolution authorizing an agreement with V3 Companies of Illinois, Woodridge, Illinois, for Phase III construction engineering services for the widening and reconstruction of Quentin Road, from White Pine Road to Illinois Route 22, at a maximum cost of \$2,334,894.88, and designated as Section 08-00090-12-CH.

Division of Transportation Director Shane Schneider reported a scrivener's error on the first bullet of the staff summary.

A motion was made by Member Taylor, 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 Maine, Member Danforth, Member Durkin, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor, Member Werfel and Member Wilke

Absent: 1 - Vice Chair Hewitt

8.16 [17-1240](#)

Joint resolution authorizing an agreement with the Village of Lake Zurich for the relocation of a watermain, construction of a sidewalk, and installation of decorative landscape along Quentin Road, from White Pine Road to Illinois Route 22, and designated as Section 08-00090-12-CH.

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

Aye: 8 - Chair Maine, Member Danforth, Member Durkin, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor, Member Werfel and Member Wilke

Absent: 1 - Vice Chair Hewitt

8.17 [17-1237](#)

Joint resolution executing a Letter of Intent and Concurrence related to the Quentin Road Improvement Project.

Division of Transportation Director Shane Schneider reported the Division of Transportation will be making improvements to Quentin Road which requires Public

Works' to relocate 2,000 feet of its sanitary sewer line. This Letter of Intent and Concurrence authorizes the Division of Transportation to design and complete the work with reimbursement from Public Works. He noted the relocation will receive an 80 percent federal grant. The remaining 20 percent will be paid by Public Works.

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

Aye: 8 - Chair Maine, Member Danforth, Member Durkin, Member Mathias, Member Pedersen, Member Taylor, Member Werfel and Member Wilke

Absent: 1 - Vice Chair Hewitt

8.18 [17-1266](#)

Request from the City of Lake Forest and Lake County Board Member Michael Rummel for the county to consider authoring a letter supporting Lake Forest's efforts to secure an Amtrak Train stop in Lake Forest.

Deputy County Administrator Amy McEwan reported Financial and Administrative Services (F&A) Chair Mike Rummel requested the Public Works and Transportation Committee consider a request to provide a letter support for an Amtrak stop at Telegraph Road in the City of Lake Forest. She noted F&A Chair Rummel was unable to attend today's meeting but City of Lake Forest Manager Bob Kiely and City of Lake Forest Engineer Bob Mills are here to discuss this request.

Mr. Kiely introduced himself to the Committee, indicating efforts to secure an Amtrak train station at Lake Forest's Telegraph Road train station began 20 years ago when Lake Forest worked with Senator Garrett to improve transportation alternatives in Lake County. A brief history of Lake Forest's efforts was provided. He stated Amtrak has provided a verbal commitment to provide a stop at this train station once an underpass has been created and a written agreement is currently being prepared. Mr. Kiely indicated writing in support of this project to legislators would be very appreciative.

Mr. Kiely indicated the Hiawatha Service from seven southbound and seven northbound trains. Wisconsin Department of Transportation said it would pay 70 percent with the remaining 30 percent being paid by the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) to add three more trains southbound and northbound. This triggered action by the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) requiring an environmental study on what the impact would be to add these lines. A report was issued by the FRA in October 2016 on improvements they want and one of the biggest, and most costly, is the request by Metra for installation of a third rail in Lake Forest, Glenview, and Northbrook. The purpose of the third rail would be to add more express trains. This issue has generated a lot of interest and several comments were received during public hearings. Residents have expressed concern regarding the impact to the environment and the quality of life of residents. The biggest concern was whether more freight train traffic would be permitted on the third rail. Mr. Kiely

indicated the FRA will make a final determination on whether the three northbound and three southbound trains will be permitted. Lake Forest has no control over what the FRA's decision will be. Member Taylor inquired what the impact would be on ridership and the economy,. Mr. Kiely indicated a report by Joe Swederman indicates outside of Glenview and the City of Chicago, this would have the largest catch-all ridership, primarily due to the Naval Base in North Chicago.

JoAnn Desmond reported she represents a grassroots group called Alliance to Control Impact in Our Neighborhood (ACTION). This group is significantly opposed to a third rail and believes its natural resources and the environment will be impacted. The group does not object to a stop being added by Amtrak but does have concerns with 20 additional stops where it can cause traffic congestion. She requested that any support of Lake Forest's request be conditional upon opposing a third rail. David Tanoka of ACTION also expressed his opposition to having a third rail, citing the health issues that can be created by carcinogenic material being spewed from freight trains.

Chair Maine inquired how traffic will flow, noting the Telegraph Road train station already has traffic congestion during peak times. Mr. Kiely indicated there are two additional parcels immediately west and south, adjacent to the fire station that can be expanded and doubled in size. Amtrak believes there is sufficient parking. He indicated the driveway of the train station has been designed for buses and anticipates shuttle buses dropping and picking up commuters from nearby businesses. Discussion ensued.

The general consensus of the committee was to have a letter of support drafted but specifically expressing opposition of a third rail line. Mr. Kiely noted Lake Forest has not endorsed a third rail line either.

The consensus of the Committee was to author a letter of support for an Amtrak stop in Lake Forest but make no reference to any support of a third rail on the same line.

8.19 [17-0029](#)

Director's Report - Transportation.

Division of Transportation Director Shane Schneider reported the memorial service of Hometown Electric's employee who was struck and killed by a motorist will be held this week.

9. Executive Session

The committee did not enter in Executive Session.

10. County Administrator's Report

Deputy County Administrator Amy McEwan reported staff is reviewing its work plan for 2018. If there are presentations the committee members desire, please inform staff. An update will be provided in January. She noted Public Work continues to look for shared

service opportunities within the land team.

With the consensus of the committee, the November 29, 2017 Public Works and Transportation Committee meeting is canceled. The next meeting will be held on December 6, 2017.

11. Members' Remarks

There were no remarks from members.

12. Adjournment

Chair Mained adjourned the meeting at 9:43 a.m.

Next Meeting: November 29, 2017

The November 29, 2017 meeting has been canceled. The next meeting is December 6, 2017.

Minutes prepared by Blanca Vela Schneider.

Chairman

Vice Chairman
