

Lake County Illinois

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



Agenda Report - Final

Tuesday, July 30, 2019

10:30 AM

Assembly Room, 10th Floor

Health and Community Services Committee

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

CONSENT AGENDA (Item 7.1)

Approval of Minutes

7.1 [19-1255](#)

Minutes from June 25, 2019.

Attachments: [HCS 7.25.19 Minutes - Final.pdf](#)

REGULAR AGENDA

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

7.2 [19-1207](#)

Ordinance prohibiting the use of groundwater as a potable water supply by the installation or use of potable water supply wells or by any other method, related to an area in and around a closed landfill.

- A closed landfill exists on the site in question and ongoing remediation and testing have demonstrated that the groundwater in the area exceeds Illinois Class I standards for some parameters.
- The property owner is requesting that the County enact an ordinance to prohibit the use of groundwater from water wells as a potable source of water in designated areas around the closed landfill site in order to allow for development of these properties without further environmental remediation.
- The owner has secured similar ordinances from other neighboring jurisdictions.
- There are no current users of potable water wells in this designated area, and the Lake County Health Department has determined that new water wells would not be permitted in the area due to required setbacks to the closed landfill, and due to the proximity and availability of community (public) water in the area.
- The following County Departments have reviewed and concur with approval of the ordinance restricting use of potable groundwater in the designated area: Health, Planning, Building and Development, and Public Works.

7.3 [19-1208](#)

Ordinance amending the Lake County Code of Ordinances Chapter 172 - Animals.

- The proposed revisions to 172.12 (B) contain requirements when the owner of a dog that has been declared animal-aggressive (when it has killed or seriously injured another owned animal) wants to give away or sell the dog or move to another jurisdiction.
 - The proposed revisions would require an owner to notify Animal Care and Control prior to transferring custody of the dog so that a disposition letter can be provided to the new owner identifying the responsibilities needed to meet requirements.
 - The proposed revisions would also require an owner to notify Animal Care and Control in both the jurisdiction to which he or she is moving, and the jurisdiction he or she is leaving. These revisions are modeled after similar requirements in the Illinois Animal Control Act for an owner of a dog that has been declared vicious (when it has killed or seriously injured a person).
- The proposed revisions to Section 172.15 are to discourage irresponsible breeding of dogs and cats.
- The Illinois Department of Agriculture (IDOA) licenses and regulates the breeding of dogs and cats, but only when the breeder has more than five breeding female animals.
- In chapter 172, the current pet limit restriction for residences is four dogs and four cats; however, it only applies to pets older than 6 months.
- In unincorporated Lake County, zoning and property use restrictions prohibit “regular” use of a property for breeding and selling pets, but that standard is difficult to establish and prove. Thus, the existing regulations leave a gap in regulating and discouraging irresponsible “backyard breeding.”
 - The proposed revisions provide enforcement authority against irresponsible breeders, specifically those that maintain and treat their animals poorly.
 - The proposed revisions state that if a person is cited by an Animal Control Officer for failing to properly care for their animals (such as poor conditions, lack of food/water/shelter, failure to provide vet care, or cruelty), and the Officer finds that the person’s animal has offspring present (i.e., is breeding them), the exemption for dogs or cats six months or younger would no longer apply, and all animals would be counted toward the pet limit.
 - In addition to the care/treatment violations, the person could be cited for violating the pet limit for each dog or cat above the limit. The person could be cited a \$100 fine per dog or cat, including those six months or younger, for violating the pet limit. Animal Care and Control would receive and pursue these cases on a complaint-driven basis.

Attachments: [Chapter 172 amendments redline](#)

7.4 [19-1070](#)

Presentation on the Health Department's Health Informatics Program.

Attachments: [7.30.19 HealthInformatics](#)

8. **Executive Session**

9. **County Administrator's Report**

10. **Members' Remarks**

11. **Adjournment**

Next Meeting: August 6, 2019