

Lake County Illinois

Meeting held by Video Conference

Physical Location:

18 N County Street (10th Floor), Waukegan, IL 60085



Agenda Report - Final

Wednesday, September 8, 2021

8:30 AM

Meeting held by video conference. The public can register to attend remotely at <https://bit.ly/3jtYpCH>

Public Works, Planning & Transportation 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: PWPT 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. [21-1171](#)

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

Attachments: [Determination - Chair Hart 7.30.21\[379\]](#)

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call of Members
4. Addenda to the Agenda
5. Public Comment (Items not on the agenda)
6. Chair's Remarks
7. Unfinished Business

CONSENT AGENDA (8.1 - 8.3)

Approval of Minutes

8.1 21-1336

Minutes for August 4, 2021.

Attachments: [PWPT 8.4.21 Final Minutes](#)

DIVISION OF TRANSPORTATION

8.2 21-1312

Ordinance providing for the establishment of an altered speed zone for 30 miles per hour (MPH), currently unposted statutory 55 MPH, on Country Estates Road located in Cuba Township.

- The speed study was requested by the Cuba Township Highway Commissioner.
- The necessary speed studies have been undertaken and an ordinance is required to establish speed zones.

Attachments: [21-1312 Location Map, Country Estates Road](#)

8.3 21-1313

Ordinance providing for the establishment of an altered speed zone for 30 miles per hour (MPH), currently unposted statutory 55 MPH, on Countryside Lane located in Cuba Township.

- The speed study was requested by the Cuba Township Highway Commissioner.
- The necessary speed studies have been undertaken and an ordinance is required to establish speed zones.

Attachments: [21-1313 Location Map, Countryside Lane](#)

REGULAR AGENDA

DIVISION OF TRANSPORTATION

8.4 21-1301

Joint resolution authorizing a contract with Berger Excavating Contractors, Wauconda, Illinois, in the amount of \$10,583,076.83 for intersection improvements at Gilmer Road and Midlothian Road.

- The intersection of Gilmer Road and Midlothian Road will be improved with additional through lanes, turn lanes, drainage improvements, and non-motorized improvements.
- There was a public call for bids, and a total of five bids were received, ranging from \$10,583,076.83 to \$13,940,410.16, and the lowest responsible bidder is Berger Excavating Contractors, Wauconda, Illinois, in the amount of \$10,583,076.83.
- The project is included in the Transportation Improvement Program with multi-year construction beginning in 2021, and designated as Section 10-00079-16-CH.

Attachments: [21-1301 Bid Tab, Gilmer and Midlothian](#)
[21-1301 Vendor Disclosure, Berger](#)
[21-1301 Location Map, Gilmer and Midlothian](#)

8.5 21-1302

Joint resolution authorizing an agreement with BLA, Inc., Itasca, Illinois, for a non-motorized crossing study at various locations in Lake County, at a maximum cost of \$66,067 and appropriating \$80,000 of ¼% Sales Tax for Transportation funds.

- The Lake County Division of Transportation (LCDOT) has identified 12 uncontrolled, non-motorized facility crossings of multi-lane highways, and desires to perform a study to determine potential improvements to increase safety at these locations.
- Lake County selects professional engineering firms in accordance with the Local Government Professional Services Selection Act, 50 ILCS 510/1 et. seq.
- LCDOT's Consultant Selection Process has been approved by the Federal Highway Administration and the Illinois Department of Transportation, and the firm selected for this project was selected in accordance with this approved process.
- LCDOT received and evaluated Statements of Interest and Qualifications from eight professional firms, of which three were short-listed and presented to a consultant selection committee.
- This study is included in the Transportation Improvement Program and is designated as Section 21-00999-84-ES.

Attachments: [21-1302 Consultant Agreement, Non-Motorized Crossing Study](#)
[21-1302 Vendor Disclosure, BLA Crossing Study](#)
[21-1302 Location Map, Non-Motorized Crossing Study](#)

8.6 [21-1303](#)

Joint resolution authorizing an agreement with Alfred Benesch and Company, Chicago, Illinois, for Phase I professional engineering services for non-motorized travel improvements along Lake Cook Road, between the Skokie Valley Bike Path and the Chicago Botanical Gardens entrance, at a maximum cost of \$998,903, and appropriating \$1,200,000 of ¼% Sales Tax for Transportation funds.

- Lake Cook Road, between the Skokie Valley Bike Path and the Chicago Botanical Gardens entrance at Turnbull Woods Court (0.9 miles), will be evaluated for non-motorized improvements. This section of bike path is identified on the County's 2040 Non-Motorized Plan.
- Lake County selects professional engineering firms in accordance with the Local Government Professional Services Selection Act, 50 ILCS 510/1 et. seq.
- The Lake County Division of Transportation's (LCDOT) Consultant Selection Process has been approved by the Federal Highway Administration and the Illinois Department of Transportation, and the firm selected for this project was selected in accordance with this approved process.
- LCDOT received and evaluated Statements of Interest and Qualifications from 11 professional firms, of which three were short-listed and presented to a consultant selection committee.
- This project is included in the Transportation Improvement Program and designated as Section 21-00265-02-BT.

Attachments: [21-1303 Consultant Agreement, Lake Cook Rd Bike Path](#)

[21-1303 Vendor Disclosure, Benesch](#)

[21-1303 Location Map, Lake-Cook Road Bike Path](#)

8.7 [21-1304](#)

Joint resolution authorizing an agreement with BLA, Inc., Itasca, Illinois, for Phase I professional engineering services for non-motorized travel improvements along Washington Street, between Sextant Drive and Almond Road, at a maximum cost of \$407,930, and appropriating \$490,000 of ¼% Sales Tax for Transportation funds.

- Washington Street, between Sextant Drive and Almond Road (1.6 miles), will be evaluated for non-motorized improvements. This section of bike path is identified on the County's 2040 Non-Motorized Plan and is also a priority gap in the bike path network.
- Lake County selects professional engineering firms in accordance with the Local Government Professional Services Selection Act, 50 ILCS 510/1 et. seq.
- The Lake County Division of Transportation's (LCDOT) Consultant Selection Process has been approved by the Federal Highway Administration and the Illinois Department of Transportation, and the firm selected for this project was selected in accordance with this approved process.
- LCDOT received and evaluated Statements of Interest and Qualifications from eight professional firms, of which three were short-listed and presented to a

consultant selection committee.

- This project is included in the Transportation Improvement Program and designated as Section 21-00110-15-BT.

Attachments: [21-1304 Consultant Agreement, Washington St Bike Path](#)

[21-1304 Vendor Disclosure, BLA Wash BP](#)

[21-1304 Location Map, Washington St Bike Path](#)

8.8 [21-1305](#)

Resolution providing policy direction and the authority to negotiate an intergovernmental agreement with Pace Suburban Bus that would establish a borderless countywide paratransit service known as Ride Lake County.

- This resolution directs Lake County Division of Transportation's (LCDOT) staff to negotiate an intergovernmental agreement with Pace that would establish a borderless countywide paratransit service known as Ride Lake County.
- Ride Lake County will be funded by a combination of Pace funds, federal funds, and County funds.
- This resolution also directs the County Board Chair to send a letter to Pace requesting all current Dial-a-Ride subsidies, provided by Pace to townships and municipalities, be reallocated to the new Ride Lake County Service.
- Upon establishment of Ride Lake County, LCDOT will no longer provide staff support to the Lake County Coordinated Transportation Services Committee (LCCTSC).

Attachments: [21-1305 Paratransit - LCCTSC Letter Draft](#)

[21-1305 Paratransit - Pace Subsidy Letter Draft](#)

[21-1305 Location Map, Ride Lake County](#)

8.9 [21-0051](#)

Director's Report - Division of Transportation.

PUBLIC WORKS

8.10 [21-1358](#)

Presentation and discussion regarding the proposed 2022-2026 Capital Improvement Program for the Lake County Department of Public Works.

- The five-year Capital Improvement Program is a planning document that serves as a guide for Lake County Department of Public Works future capital improvements.
- The Interim Director of Public Works and Department of Public Works staff have prepared the Proposed 2022-2026 Capital Improvement Program.
- The Department of Public Works staff will present the Proposed 2022-2026 Capital Improvement Program to the Public Works, Planning and Transportation Committee on September 8, 2021.
- The Proposed 2022-2026 Capital Improvement Program aligns with the County

Board Strategic Plan adopted in July 2019 and incorporates the following Strategic Goals: Improve Infrastructure and Promote a Sustainable Environment.

- A resolution formally adopting the Capital Improvement Plan will be provided at a subsequent meeting.

Attachments: [21-1310 LCPW CIP Anticipated Program Costs](#)

[21-1310 LCPW CIP Presentation](#)

8.11 [21-0053](#)

Director's Report - Public Works.

PLANNING BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT

8.12 [21-1128](#)

Continued discussion of proposed ordinance amendments to the Lake County, Illinois Code of Ordinances related to wildlife rehabilitation and ecotherapy uses in unincorporated Lake County.

- Throughout summer 2021, staff is presenting a discussion series on various proposed nature-based zoning amendments to the Lake County Code of Ordinances with the focus currently on wildlife rehabilitation and ecotherapy uses.
- The amendments would establish a new 'ecotherapy' use within the Community Services use category and include revisions to the Wildlife Rehabilitation use category. The final draft, attached as "Exhibit B", reflects committee feedback and input from subject matter experts.
- Upon conclusion of the discussion series, staff will return to the Committee with a comprehensive packet of amendments and present a final version for the Committee to formally initiate the Zoning Board of Appeals public hearing process.

Attachments: [Exhibit B Wildlife and Ecotherapy Amendments FIN 9_8_21.pdf](#)

8.13 [21-1356](#)

Ordinance amending the Lake County Temporary Public Nuisance Ordinance.

- On June 9, 2021, the County Board amended the Temporary Public Nuisance Ordinance to extend restrictions on open burning of specified landscape waste until October 12, 2021 to allow additional time to explore options and alternatives for permanent restrictions on open burning and landscape waste disposal.
- This Temporary Public Nuisance Ordinance will continue to permit opening burning of specified landscape waste on unincorporated residential properties at specified times and on limited days, as well in those instances where the burning occurs at least 500' to the nearest habitable structure. Exemptions for recreational fires, the use of self-contained outdoor burn devices under certain criteria, and prescribed habitat and ecological landscape burns have been retained.
- The amended extension will go into effect immediately upon Lake County Board

adoption of Exhibit A and expire on January 1, 2022.

Attachments: [EXTENDED LAKE COUNTY TEMPORARY NUISANCE ORDINANCE - \(](#)

8.14 [21-0052](#)

Director's Report - Planning Building and Development.

9. **County Administrator's Report**

10. **Executive Session**

11. **Members' Remarks**

12. **Adjournment**

Next Meeting: September 29, 2021