

Lake County Illinois

*Lake County Courthouse and Administrative Complex
18 N. County St.
Waukegan, IL 60085*



Agenda Report - Final

Wednesday, March 31, 2021

11:00 AM

Meeting held by video conference. Register to virtually attend the meeting at <https://bit.ly/3f64Rhp>

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Ethics and Oversight 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: Ethics and Oversight Committee
(Must be the Subject line for written Public Comment)
- * Name (Required)
- * Topic or Agenda Item # (Required)
- * Street Address, City, State (Optional)
- * Phone Number (Optional)
- * Organization/Agency/etc. Represented (If representing yourself, put "Self")

[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
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
8. New Business

CONSENT AGENDA (Item 8.1)

Approval of Minutes

8.1 [21-0512](#)

Minutes from February 24, 2021.

Attachments: [E&O 2.24.21 Minutes - Final.pdf](#)

REGULAR AGENDA

8.2 [21-0513](#)

Ordinance amending the Lake County Ethics and Conduct Code for the purpose of establishing an independent Ethics Commission.

- During their Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 meetings, the Ethics and Oversight Committee members expressed an interest in exploring the option of appointing an independent Ethics Commission for the purpose of reviewing, investigating, and hearing complaints.
- At the Committee's January 27, 2021 meeting, a presentation was provided of possible ordinance amendment options. The Committee provided staff direction to draft amendments to the Ethics and Conduct Code that would establish an independent Ethics Commission.
- At its February 24, 2021 Committee meeting, draft language for an amended ordinance was provided and reviewed by the Ethics and Oversight Committee members and an outline of proposed procedures that would be managed by the independent Commission.
- The draft Code incorporates comments provided at the February Ethics and Oversight Committee meeting. Subsequent to adoption, an application process would be created as the first step in the assembly of the independent Ethics Commission.

Attachments: [Ethics Conduct Redraft 032621 Clean.pdf](#)

[Ethics Conduct Redraft 032621 Red Line.pdf](#)

[Ethics Operational Procedures DRAFT 032621.pdf](#)

[Ethics Operational Procedures Outline DRAFT 032621.pdf](#)

- 9. **County Administrator's Report**
- 10. **Executive Session**
- 11. **Members' Remarks**
- 12. **Adjournment**

Next Meeting: April 28, 2021