

Lake County Illinois

Meeting held by Video Conference

Physical Location:

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



Agenda Report - Final

Wednesday, October 6, 2021

10:30 AM

Meeting held by video conference. The public can register to attend remotely at <https://bit.ly/3CXn49I>

Energy & Environment Committee

Pursuant to Section 7(e) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act, the current Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation, and the Chair's Written Determination, this meeting will be held by audio and video conference.

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE: The public can attend Lake County Committee and Board meetings (two options): (1) remote / virtual attendance through registration at the link on the front page of this agenda, or (2) in-person attendance (to view the virtual meeting on the 10th Floor of the County Administrative Tower, 18 N. County Street, Waukegan, Illinois.)

RECORDING: Meetings, to include Public Comment, will be recorded.

PUBLIC COMMENT: The public will be afforded time to comment on matters related to the business of the County Board. A total of 30 minutes will be permitted for Public Comment and no more than three minutes per Comment. In general, Public Comment on items not on the agenda will be presented near the beginning of the meeting. Public Comment on agenda items may be presented during consideration of that item. Individuals attending in-person or remotely 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 will proceed in the following order: (1) Public Comment by individuals who are attending remotely / virtually, (2) Public Comment by individuals in attendance on the 10th Floor, and then (3) written comments.

Individuals providing Public Comment will provide the following information:

- * Meeting: E&E (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")

***To view County Board Rules, click here: <https://bit.ly/3idRdrV> ***

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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
8. New Business

CONSENT AGENDA (Item 8.1)

8.1 [21-1554](#)

Meeting minutes from August 4, 2021.

Attachments: [E&E.MeetingMinutes.Final_8.4.21](#)

REGULAR AGENDA

8.2 [21-1511](#)

Presentation and discussion regarding the possible purchase of carbon offsets through Constellation NewEnergy Gas Division.

- At the September 1, 2021 Public Works, Planning, and Transportation Committee meeting, a contract was presented for the gas service delivery for the Department of Public Works.
- Based on previous direction from Energy & Environment, sustainable-related options are being requested by Lake County's Purchasing Division during the contracting of necessary services and products in County operations. As such, Constellation NewEnergy Gas Division provided an option of purchasing carbon offsets included in our purchase of natural gas.
- The Public Works, Planning & Transportation Committee requested that additional information be provided regarding the carbon offsets, and as such the information is being presented to Energy & Environment for direction.

Attachments: [Constellation Carbon Offsets for Lake County IL](#)

8.3 [21-1512](#)

Presentation and discussion regarding a Single Use Plastic Study in Lake County.

- At previous committee meetings, members requested that staff look at options to eliminate single use plastics in the County's cafeteria.
- At the Committee's July 7, 2021 meeting, staff presented background and information related to the County's cafeteria vendor along with options related to the elimination of single use plastics in the cafeteria operations.

- The Committee provided consensus to proceed in a partnership with SWALCO on acquiring a consultant to study the operations and summarize options and costs to eliminate single use plastics in Lake County.
- Resource Recycling Systems (RRS) will provide a presentation to include project approach and schedule.

Attachments: [SingleUsePlasticStudy_10.6.21](#)

8.4 [21-1513](#)

Presentation and discussion on status of Net Zero Greenhouse Gas Emissions Planning for Lake County.

- In September 2020, the Lake County Board passed a joint resolution committing Lake County Government Operations to Net Zero Greenhouse Gas Emissions.
- The next step in the implementation of this policy is the development of Energy Efficiency and Waste Reduction plans.
- Staff will present an update and current status on the plan's development.

Attachments: [Net Zero Policy Update - October 2021 - Quercus](#)

8.5 [21-1514](#)

Update on the implementation of a Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy (CPACE) program in Lake County.

9. County Administrator's Report

10. Executive Session

11. Members' Remarks

12. Adjournment

Next Meeting: November 3, 2021