

Lake County Illinois

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



Meeting Minutes - Final

Wednesday, February 1, 2023

10:30 AM

Assembly Room, 10th Floor or register for remote attendance at
<http://bit.ly/3XTfVld>

Planning, Building, Zoning and Environment
Committee

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Individuals providing Public Comment will provide the following information:

Meeting: Planning, Building, Zoning and Environment Committee
(Subject line for written Public Comment)

Topic or Agenda Item #: (REQUIRED)

Name: (REQUIRED)

Organization/Entity Represented: (REQUIRED) ("Self" if representing self)

Street Address, City, State: (Optional)

Phone Number: (Optional)

Email: May be REQUIRED for remote attendance

1. Call to Order

Chair Vealitzek called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Member Frank led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call of Members

Present 6 - Member Altenberg, Member Frank, Vice Chair Pedersen, Member Roberts, Member Schlick and Chair Vealitzek

Absent 1 - Member Wasik

**Member Wasik was unable to attend the Committee meeting in person and did not meet the criteria for electronic attendance. Even though he was able to attend via electronic means and participated in Committee discussions, he must be marked as absent.*

Other Attendees:

In Person:

Alex Carr, Communications

Bob Springer, Planning, Building and Development

Carissa Casbon, Board Member

Carl Kirar, Facilities and Construction

Eric Waggoner, Planning, Building and Development

Gary Gibson, County Administrator's Office

Jennifer Brennan, Communications

Kevin Hunter, Board Member

Kevin Quinn, Communications

Krista Braun, Planning, Building and Development

Lisle Stalter, State's Attorney's Office

Matt Meyers, County Administrator's Office

Robin Grooms, County Administrator's Office

Sandy Hart, County Board Chair

Theresa Glatzhofer, County Board Office

Electronically:

Abby Krakow, Communications

Austin Knight, Public

Eric Steffen, Planning, Building and Development

James Hawkins, County Administrator's Office

Janna Philipp, County Administrator's Office

John Wasik, Board Member

Jolanda Dinkins, County Board Office

Jon Nelson, Division of Transportation

Krista Kennedy, Finance

Kristy Cechini, County Board Office
Maegan Trygstad, Public
Mary Ross Cunningham, County Board Vice Chair
Michael Wheeler, Finance
Mick Zawislak, Daily Herald
Mike DaValle, Public
Nick Principali, Finance
Patrice Sutton, Finance
RuthAnne Hall, Purchasing
Sonia Hernandez, County Administrator's Office

4. Addenda to the Agenda

There were no additions or amendments to the agenda.

5. Public Comment (Items not on the agenda)

There were no comments from the public.

6. Chair's Remarks

Chair Vealtizek welcomed everyone to the newly reorganized Planning, Building, Zoning and Environment Committee.

7. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business to discuss.

8. New Business

CONSENT AGENDA (Item 8.1)

MINUTES

8.1 [23-0067](#)

Committee action approving the Energy and Environment Committee minutes from November 2, 2022.

Attachments: [E&E 11.2.22 Final Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Member Altenberg, seconded by Member Roberts, that the minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Aye: 6 - Member Altenberg, Member Frank, Vice Chair Pedersen, Member Roberts, Member Schlick and Chair Vealtizek

Absent: 1 - Member Wasik

REGULAR AGENDA

PLANNING, BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT

8.2 [23-0157](#)

Discussion on proposed text and amendments to the ICC Building Codes.

Attachments: [Ordinance and amendments](#)
 [Numbered Amendments with commentary](#)
 [Presentation Feb 2023](#)

Eric Waggoner, Director of Planning, Building and Development, and Bob Springer, Deputy Director and Building Official, gave a presentation regarding the proposed text and amendments to the ICC Building Codes.

Discussion ensued.

The consensus of the Committee was to add a requirement to install sprinkler systems in newly built single-family homes. The Committee also directed staff to provide more information regarding whether or not there should be a threshold for sprinkler system requirements based the size of each newly built single-family home.

8.3 [23-0179](#)

Discussion and possible Committee action on the 2023 Planning, Building, and Development Department work plan.

Attachments: [Updated Work Plan - PBZE Direction Memo](#)

Eric Waggoner, Director of Planning, Building and Development (PB&D), and Krista Braun, Planning and Zoning Manager, gave an overview of the priorities listed within the revised 2023 Planning, Building and Development Department work plan.

Discussion ensued.

The consensus of the Committee was to direct staff to add large fill/grade and sustainable energy text amendments to the PB&D Department work plan.

8.4 [23-0010](#)

Director's Report - Planning, Building and Development.

There was no Planning, Building and Development Director's report.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

8.5 [23-0186](#)

Resolution amending the policy to prohibit single use plastics in Lake County's operations by January 1, 2023.

Attachments: [Clean Version_Policy 21-1928 - Prohibition on Single Use Plastics](#)
 [Redlined Version_Policy 21-1928 - Prohibition on Single Use Plastics](#)

Robin Grooms, Sustainability Programs Manager, gave an overview of the policy to prohibit single use plastics in Lake County's operations. Ms. Grooms noted that the proposed amendment to the policy reflects current market limitations with alternatives to single use plastic products.

Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Member Roberts, seconded by Member Altenberg, that this resolution be approved and recommended to the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Aye: 6 - Member Altenberg, Member Frank, Vice Chair Pedersen, Member Roberts, Member Schlick and Chair Vealitzek

Absent: 1 - Member Wasik

8.6 [23-0187](#)

Discussion and possible Committee action on the 2023 Environmental Sustainability work plan.

Attachments: [2-1-23 2023 Work Plan Discussion](#)

Robin Grooms, Sustainability Programs Manager, gave a presentation regarding the 2023 Environmental Sustainability work plan and accomplishments from 2022.

Discussion ensued.

Member Frank left the meeting at 12:20 p.m.

9. County Administrator's Report

There was no County Administrator's Report.

10. Executive Session

The Committee did not enter into Executive Session.

11. Members' Remarks

Sandy Hart, County Board Chair, asked a question regarding inspection of septic tanks. Eric Waggoner, Planning, Building and Development Director, noted that the Lake County Health Department handles such testing and inspections.

County Board Chair Hart also mentioned researching the possibility of the County providing rebates for residents who exchange their gas powered leaf blowers, snow blowers, and other gas-powered appliances for electric-powered alternatives. Matt Meyers, Assistant County Administrator, noted that he will work with Robin Grooms, Sustainability Programs Manager, to research that option.

12. Adjournment

Chair Vealtizek declared the meeting adjourned at 12:37 p.m.

Next Meeting: February 8, 2023

Meeting minutes prepared by Theresa Glatzhofer.