

Lake County Illinois

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



Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday, August 30, 2016

9:45 AM

Courthouse Expansion Project: on-site construction update.

10:30 AM

Regular business to reconvene in the Assembly Room, 10th Floor.

Law and Judicial Committee

1. Call to Order

Chair Nixon called the meeting to order at 9:50 a.m.

Present 7 - Chair Nixon, Vice Chair Cunningham, Member Bartels, Member Calabresa, Member Hart, Member Paxton and Member Weber

Others Present:

Donna Jo Maki, Executive Justice Council

Barry Burton, County Administrator

Gary Gordon, Finance and Administrative Services

Amy McEwan, Deputy County Administrator

Cameron Davis, Assistant County Administrator

Ryan Horne, Finance and Administrative Services

Teri White, State's Attorney's Office

Ben Gilbertson, County Administrator's Office

Farrah Watson, Finance and Administrative Services

Mike Wheeler, Finance and Administrative Services

Dawn Wucki-Rosbach, Sheriff's Office

Patrice Evans, Court Administration

Rose Gray, Adult Probation

Mary Stevens, Court Administration

Heidie Hernandez, County Board Office

Steve Carlson, County Board Member

Linda Pederson, County Board Member

2. [16-0845](#)

Lake County Courthouse Expansion Project: on-site construction update.

An update on the Lake County Courthouse Expansion Project was presented at the construction site.

Meeting reconvened in the Assembly Room at 11:04 a.m.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Nixon led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Approval of Minutes**4.1 [16-0788](#)**

Minutes from August 2, 2016.

A motion was made by Member Weber, seconded by Member Cunningham, that the minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chair Nixon, Vice Chair Cunningham, Member Bartels, Member Calabresa, Member Hart, Member Paxton and Member Weber

5. Added to Agenda

There were no items added to the agenda.

6. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

7. Old Business

Member Calabresa thanked the Lake County Staff that attended the events for International Drug Awareness. Details on a program being held at Stevenson High School regarding the effects of drug use was provided and a flyer was given to each Law and Judicial Committee Member.

8. New Business

Chair Nixon thanked staff for taking the Law and Judicial Committee Members and other members of the board on a tour of the Lake County Courthouse Expansion Project's construction site and providing an update on the project.

CIRCUIT COURT CLERK**8.1 [16-0786](#)**

Report from Keith S. Brin, Clerk of the Circuit Court, for the month of July 2016.

A motion was made by Member Weber, seconded by Member Bartels, that items 8.1 and 8.2 be received and placed on the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chair Nixon, Vice Chair Cunningham, Member Bartels, Member Calabresa, Member Hart, Member Paxton and Member Weber

PUBLIC DEFENDER**8.2 [16-0792](#)**

Report from Joy Gossman, Public Defender, for the month of July 2016.

A motion was made by Member Weber, seconded by Member Bartels, that items 8.1 and 8.2 be received and placed on the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chair Nixon, Vice Chair Cunningham, Member Bartels, Member Calabresa, Member Hart, Member Paxton and Member Weber

STATE'S ATTORNEY**8.3 [16-0795](#)**

Joint resolution authorizing the renewal of the State's Attorney's Multi-Jurisdictional Drug Prosecution grant program, awarded by the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA), including \$163,886 in federal funds.

Teri White of the State's Attorney's Office reported on the annually renewed State's Attorney's Multi-Jurisdiction Drug Prosecution grant program. This grant will fund a portion of the salaries for the Gang/Narcotics Prosecution Division Chief, one Assistant State's Attorney, and one trained Police Investigator.

A motion was made by Member Cunningham, seconded by Member Hart, that this item be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chair Nixon, Vice Chair Cunningham, Member Bartels, Member Calabresa, Member Hart, Member Paxton and Member Weber

8.4 [16-0796](#)

Joint resolution authorizing the renewal of the State's Attorney's Crime Analysis grant program, awarded by the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA), including \$51,579 in federal funds.

Teri White of the State's Attorney's Office reported on the final renewal of the State's Attorney's Crime Analysis grant program. Recently, the State's Attorney's Office received notice that this program will no longer be funded by ICJIA due to their change in focus. State's Attorney Michael Nerheim helped convince ICJIA to fund the program for one more year ending in September 2017. Ms. White indicated that the State's Attorney's Office will be looking for alternate future funding sources.

A motion was made by Member Weber, seconded by Member Cunningham, that this item be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chair Nixon, Vice Chair Cunningham, Member Bartels, Member Calabresa, Member Hart, Member Paxton and Member Weber

COURT ADMINISTRATION**8.5 [16-0778](#)**

Joint resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation with offsetting revenue in the amount of \$228,961 to implement Adult Redeploy Illinois programming for the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit.

Mary Stevens, Court Administration, reported that the Adult Redeploy Illinois program will provide residential treatment for offenders that are chemically dependent, recovery coaching services, and access to recovery home services to provide a continuum of care in the community. Currently, Lake County is using Haymarket, Gateway, and Bridgehouse for their residential treatment services.

A motion was made by Member Cunningham, seconded by Member Hart, that this item be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chair Nixon, Vice Chair Cunningham, Member Bartels, Member Calabresa, Member Hart, Member Paxton and Member Weber

Member Calabresa commended Judge Christopher Stride on his efforts with Drug Court. Discussion ensued in regards to the recent ceremony for Drug Court graduates.

9. Executive Session

There was no Executive Session.

10. County Administrator's Report

Deputy County Administrator Amy McEwan reported on the mental health coalition and noted that there is a good amount of citizen interest. It has been requested by the County Board Chairman that the committee members help in informing the citizens that the purpose of the mental health coalition is to provide education. Mental illness is treatable and preventable.

11. Adjournment

Meeting ended at 11:28 a.m.

A motion was made by Member Bartels, seconded by Member Cunningham, to adjourn. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chair Nixon, Vice Chair Cunningham, Member Bartels, Member Calabresa, Member Hart, Member Paxton and Member Weber

Meeting minutes prepared by Heidie Hernandez.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman

Vice-Chairman

Law and Judicial Committee