

# Lake County Illinois

*Meeting held by Video Conference*

*Physical Location:*

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



## Meeting Minutes - Final

Friday, September 10, 2021

8:30 AM

Meeting held by video conference. The public can register to attend remotely at <https://bit.ly/3mZU9Nf>

**Committee of the Whole**

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](mailto: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: COW (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> \* \* \*

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**

*Chair Hart called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.*

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

*Chair Hart led the Pledge of Allegiance.*

**3. Roll Call of Members**

**Present** 21 - Member Altenberg, Member Barr, Member Casbon, Member Clark, Vice-Chairman Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Durkin, Member Frank, Chair Hart, Member Hewitt, Member Hunter, Member Kyle, Member Maine, Member Parekh, Member Pedersen, Member Roberts, Member Sbarra, Member Simpson, Member Vealitzek, Member Wasik and Member Wilke

*\*Electronic Attendance: All Members, except Chair Hart*

*Others Present:*

*Theresa Glatzhofer, County Board Office*

*Kristy Cechini, County Board Office*

*Sydney Dawson, County Board Office*

*Mark Pfister, Lake County Health Department*

*Carl Kirar, Facilities*

*Cassandra Torstenson, County Administrator's Office*

*Eric Waggoner, Building, Planning and Development*

*Gary Gibson, County Administrator's Office*

*Jim Hawkins, County Administrator's Office*

*Larry Mackey, Lake County Health Department*

*Matt Meyers, County Administrator's Office*

*Patrice Sutton, Finance and Administrative Services*

*Chris Blanding, IT*

*Jim Chamernik, Sheriff's Office*

*Karen Fox, State's Attorney's Office*

*Krista Kennedy, Finance and Administrative Services*

*Kurt Woolford, Stormwater Management*

*Micah Thornton, Circuit Clerk*

*Michael Wheeler, Finance and Administrative Services*

*Mike Adam, Lake County Health Department*

*RuthAnne Hall, Finance and Administrative Services*

*Shane Schneider, Division of Transportation*

*Teri White, State's Attorney's Office*

*Mick Zawislak, Resident*

*Rosemary Heilemann, Resident*

**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 public comments.*

**6. Chair's Remarks**

*Chair Hart acknowledged the upcoming 20th anniversary of September 11, 2001.*

**7. Unfinished Business**

*There was no unfinished business to discuss.*

**8. New Business****CONSENT AGENDA (Items 8.1 - 8.2)****Approval of Minutes**

*(Member Hunter entered the meeting at 8:35 a.m.)*

**8.1 [21-1033](#)**

Minutes from June 4, 2021.

**Attachments:** [COW 6.4.21 Minutes - Final.pdf](#)

**A motion was made by Vice Chair Cunningham, seconded by Member Wasik, that the minutes from June 4, 2021 be approved. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 19 - Member Altenberg, Member Barr, Member Casbon, Member Clark, Vice-Chairman Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Durkin, Member Frank, Chair Hart, Member Hewitt, Member Hunter, Member Kyle, Member Maine, Member Pedersen, Member Roberts, Member Sbarra, Member Simpson, Member Vealitzek and Member Wasik

**Absent:** 2 - Member Parekh and Member Wilke

**8.2 [21-1363](#)**

Minutes from July 9, 2021.

**Attachments:** [COW 7.9.21 Final Minutes](#)

**A motion was made by Vice Chair Cunningham, seconded by Member Wasik, that the minutes from July 9, 2021 be approved. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 19 - Member Altenberg, Member Barr, Member Casbon, Member Clark, Vice-Chairman Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Durkin, Member Frank, Chair Hart, Member Hewitt, Member Hunter, Member Kyle, Member Maine, Member Pedersen, Member Roberts, Member Sbarra, Member Simpson, Member Vealitzek and Member Wasik

**Absent:** 2 - Member Parekh and Member Wilke

**REGULAR AGENDA****8.3 [21-1177](#)**

Health Department Update on COVID-19.

*(Member Wilke entered the meeting at 9:01 a.m.)*

*(Member Parekh entered the meeting at 9:05 a.m.)*

*Mark Pfister, Executive Director of the Lake County Health Department, gave a thorough update regarding COVID-19. Executive Director Pfister announced that Lake County has the highest number of fully vaccinated 12-17 year-olds in the state. Executive Director Pfister also noted that Lake County is the third most fully vaccinated county in the state.*

*Executive Director Pfister explained that additional doses for immunocompromised individuals are now available; however, individuals receiving the additional shot should maintain the same brand as their original vaccine (Pfizer or Moderna), as the effects of mixing vaccine brands are not yet known. Booster shots for individuals who are not considered immunocompromised are not yet available.*

*Executive Director Pfister explained that the Lake County Health Department recommends that all people who are medically able to get the vaccine receive it. Executive Director Pfister also noted that anyone can get the virus if unvaccinated, including children.*

*Executive Director Pfister added that the Lake County Health Department is mandating vaccinations for staff, except in cases of medical or religious exemptions. Discussion ensued.*

**8.4 [21-1178](#)**

CARES Act - Coronavirus Relief Fund: Lake County Plan Update.

**Attachments:** [CARES Update\(09.10.21\)](#)

*Jim Hawkins, Deputy County Administrator, gave an update on the County's spending of the CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Funds.*

*Patrice Sutton, Chief Financial Officer, noted that, of the original funds received from the U.S. Treasury in the amount of \$121,539,986.20, the County has \$963.273.07 remaining. Chief Financial Officer Sutton explained that those remaining funds are allocated for: Lake County Health Department Call Center staffing, FERA staffing and office space remodel, and Assembly Room remote/hybrid meeting improvements.*

*Chief Financial Officer Sutton outlined how the rest of the funds had been spent, noting that \$8.1 million went to resident support and assistance and \$16.7 million went to business and economic assistance.*

*Matt Meyers, Assistant County Administrator, gave a breakdown of how the remainder of the funds were spent: \$36.5 million went to municipalities and local units of government, \$17.7 million went to public health support and assistance, \$1.5 million went to personal protective equipment (PPE), and \$39 million went to County-wide essential services.*

*Chair Hart thanked staff for their hard work regarding the COVID-19 response.*

*Discussion ensued.*

*Member Kyle, Vice Chair Cunningham, and County Administrator Gary Gibson echoed Chair Hart's thanks to staff.*

**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**

*There were no Members' Remarks.*

**12. Adjournment**

*Chair Hart declared the meeting adjourned at 9:35 a.m.*

**Next Meeting: October 8, 2021**

*Minutes prepared by Theresa Glatzhofer.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

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*Committee of the Whole, Chair*