

Lake County Illinois

*Central Permit Facility
500 W Winchester Road
Libertyville, Illinois 60048*



Meeting Minutes - Final

Friday, October 6, 2017

8:30 AM

Central Permit Facility

Committee of the Whole

1. Call to Order

Chairman Lawlor called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Present 19 - Chair Lawlor, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Bartels, Member Carlson, Member Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Durkin, Member Frank, Member Hart, Member Hewitt, Member Maine, Member Martini, Member Paxton, Member Pedersen, Member Rummel, Member Weber, Member Werfel, Member Wilke and Member Wyatt

Absent 2 - Member Mathias and Member Taylor

Others Present:

David Hare, Sheriff's Office

Mark Curran, Sheriff

Patrice Evans, Circuit Clerk

Al Giertych, Division of Transportation

Chris Kopka, Human Resources

Ben Gilbertson, Finance and Administrative Services

Jeanne Kearby, League of Women Voters, Lake County

Ryan Horne, Finance and Administrative Services

Dawn Wucki Rossback, Sheriff's Office

Mark Pfister, Health Department

Danny Davis, Court Administration

Mike Warner, Stormwater Management

Michael Wheeler, Finance and Administrative Services

Gary Gordon, Finance and Administrative Services

Rosemary Heilemann, League of Women Voters, Lake County

Amy McEwan, Deputy County Administrator

Erin Weinstein, Circuit Court Clerk

Anthony Cooling, Finance and Administrative Services

Paul Fetherston, Assistant County Administrator

Dakisa Wesley, Assistant County Administrator

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Member Hewitt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Approval of Minutes**3.1 [17-1067](#)**

Minutes from September 8, 2017.

A motion was made by Member Carlson, seconded by Member Weber, that the minutes be approved. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 19 - Chair Lawlor, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Bartels, Member Carlson, Member Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Durkin, Member Frank, Member Hart, Member Hewitt, Member Maine, Member Martini, Member Paxton, Member Pedersen, Member Rummel, Member Weber, Member Werfel, Member Wilke and Member Wyatt

Absent: 2 - Member Mathias and Member Taylor

4. Addenda to the Agenda

There were no items added to the agenda.

5. Public Comment

There no comments made by the public.

6. Chairman's Remarks

The Chairman made no remarks.

7. Old Business

There was no old business to conduct.

8. New Business

8.1 [17-0070](#)

Review of County Board Agenda.

The Consent Agenda was reviewed.

Chairman Lawlor reviewed items one through seven.

Law and Judicial Committee - Member Cunningham reviewed items eight through 11.

Health and Community Services Committee - Member Carlson reviewed item 12.

Public Works and Transportation Committee - Member Maine reviewed item 13.

Planning, Building and Zoning Committee - Member Weber reviewed item 14.

Financial and Administrative Committee - Member Rummel reviewed items 15 through 17. Human Resources Director Rodney Marion provided a brief summary regarding item 17 pertaining to holdback payroll cycle and addressed general questions.

Regular Agenda was reviewed.

Health and Community Services Committee - Member Carlson reviewed items 18 through 20.

Public Works and Transportation Committee - Member Maine reviewed items 21 through 23. Member Maine shared a reminder about flu shot availability and Health Department Director Mark Pfister provided additional details and information. Member Maine provided detailed information on item 21 regarding timing of rates and Rodney Worden addressed questions.

Planning, Building and Zoning Committee - Member Weber reviewed item 24.

Financial and Administrative Committee - Member Rummel reviewed items 25 through 27. Barry Burton, Amy McEwan, and Paul Fetherston addressed a number of questions regarding the sustainability consulting contract including contracting versus a full-time employee, the goals and contract management, and expertise needed for a rapidly changing area. Discussion ensued. Member Hart requested that information regarding this effort be included in newsletters.

Appointments - Chairman Lawlor reviewed items 28 through 31.

9. Executive Session

There was no executive session.

10. County Administrator's Report

County Administrator Barry Burton provided the Board with a copy of the strategic plan update. He also reminded the Board of the portal location where strategic plan information can be found.

10.1 [17-1068](#)

Presentation of the proposed 2018 budget.

The 2018 Recommended budget was distributed prior to the staff presentation. Member Rummel recommended that the County take the full tax levy this year due to the uncertainty of the State's budget. Chairman Lawlor commented on the uncertainty of the State's budget and the continued need for austerity.

County staff gave a power point presentation on the proposed 2018 budget and budget process. The presentation included an overview of the 2018 Budget, including the proposed tax levy. County Administrator Barry Burton thanked all departments including the budget analysts for their efforts in efficiencies and modification that contributed to balancing the budget.

Finance Director Gary Gordon provided an overview of the budget timeline and process. The timeline showed that based on the estimated levy, a truth in taxation hearing would not be required.

Member Wilke inquired on when the next Accelerated Retirement Option (ARO) will occur. Mr. Burton indicated that ARO is not an entitlement and that it is intended to reduce cost, not as an employee benefit.

Member Maine requested information regarding the number of employees that are grant funded.

Mr. Burton, Deputy County Administrator Amy McEwan and Chairman Lawlor spoke to the

911 consolidation effort, the Corporate Capital Improvement Program (CCIP) and operating funding proposed in the fiscal year (FY) 2018 budget. Member Maine indicated that she would recommend speaking about it as levying for future projects rather than savings.

Discussion ensued.

This item was presented.

11. Members' Remarks

An update on the Government Reform Commission was provided. The Commission is looking for board member input through written testimony or remarks to Member Rummel or Chairman Lawlor. Member Rummel indicated that there will likely be a majority and minority report amongst the Commission, and that board member input is important. It was also noted that input should be provided by November 6.

The board was reminded that the next Board Leadership Training will be on emotional intelligence in November or December.

12. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:47 a.m.

A motion was made by Member Pedersen, seconded by Member Danforth, to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 19 - Chair Lawlor, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Bartels, Member Carlson, Member Cunningham, Member Danforth, Member Durkin, Member Frank, Member Hart, Member Hewitt, Member Maine, Member Martini, Member Paxton, Member Pedersen, Member Rummel, Member Weber, Member Werfel, Member Wilke and Member Wyatt

Absent: 2 - Member Mathias and Member Taylor

Next Meeting: November 10, 2017

Minutes prepared by Heidie Hernandez.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman

Vice Chairman

Committee of the Whole