

# Lake County Illinois

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



## **Meeting Minutes - Final**

**Friday, February 8, 2019**

**8:30 AM**

**2nd Floor, Main Conference Room**

**Committee of the Whole**

**1. Call to Order**

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

**Present** 20 - Member Hart, Member Cunningham, Member Barr, Member Carlson, Member Clark, Member Danforth, Member Didech, Member Durkin, Member Frank, Member Hewitt, Member Kyle, Member Maine, Member Martini, Member Pedersen, Member Rummel, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Member Vealitzek, Member Wasik and Member Wilke

**Absent** 1 - Member Paxton

*Others present:*

*Chris Blanding, Information Technology*

*Jim Chamernik, Sheriff's Office*

*Danny Davis, Court Administration*

*Helen Fandres, League of Women Voters - Lake County*

*Paul Fetherston, County Administrator's Office*

*Rosemary Heilemann, League of Women Voters - Lake County*

*Brooke Hooker, Communications*

*Ryan Horne, Finance and Administrative Services*

*William Kinville, Sheriff's Office*

*Chris Kopka, Human Resources*

*Rodney Marion, Human Resources*

*Amy McEwan, County Administrator's Office*

*Matt Meyers, Planning, Building and Development*

*Hannah Mulroy, Planning, Building and Development*

*Jon Nelson, Division of Transportation*

*Robin O'Connor, County Clerk's Office*

*Lawrence Oliver, Sheriff's Office*

*Angela Panateri, Communications*

*Mark Pfister, Health Department*

*Shane Schneider, Division of Transportation*

*Conor Schultz, County Administrator's Office*

*Jennifer Serino, Workforce Development*

*Patrice Sutton, Finance and Administrative Services*

*Anthony Vega, Sheriff's Office*

*Blanca Vela-Schneider, County Board Office*

*Dakisha Wesley, County Administrator's Office*

*Rodney Worden, Public Works*

*Dawn Wucki-Rossbach, Sheriff's Office*

*Mick Zawislak, Daily Herald*

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

*Member Danforth led the Pledge of Allegiance.*

**3. Addenda to the Agenda**

*There were no additions or amendments to the agenda.*

**4. Public Comment**

*There were no comments from the public.*

**5. Chair's Remarks**

*Chair Hart remarked on the Point in Time Count that took place earlier in the week.*

**6. Old Business**

*There was no old business to conduct.*

**7. New Business****CONSENT AGENDA (Item 7.1)****Approval of Minutes****7.1 [19-0232](#)**

Minutes from January 3, 2019.

**Attachments:** [COW 1.3.19 Minutes - Final](#)

**A motion was made by Member Danforth, seconded by Member Wilke, that item 7.1 of the Consent Agenda be approved. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Aye:** 19 - Member Hart, Member Cunningham, Member Barr, Member Carlson, Member Clark, Member Danforth, Member Didech, Member Durkin, Member Frank, Member Kyle, Member Maine, Member Martini, Member Pedersen, Member Rummel, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Member Vealitzek, Member Wasik and Member Wilke

**Not Present:** 2 - Member Hewitt and Member Paxton

**REGULAR AGENDA****7.2 [19-0074](#)**

Review of County Board agenda.

*Chair Hart reviewed Special Recognition items 1 and 2.*

**Consent Agenda**

*Chair Hart reviewed items 3 through 8.*

**Reappointments**

*Chair Hart reviewed items 8 through 10.*

*Lake County Board - Chair Hart reviewed item 12.*

*(Member Hewitt arrived at 8:36 a.m.)*

*Law and Judicial Committee - Member Cunningham reviewed items 13 and 14.*

*Health and Community Services Committee - Member Carlson reviewed items 15 through 17.*

*Public Works, Planning and Transportation Committee - Member Durkin reviewed items 19 through 26. Member Cunningham remarked on the need for paratransit service throughout Lake County. She will reach out to the Waukegan Township to discuss paratransit in her community.*

*Financial and Administrative Committee - Member Frank reviewed items 27 through 33. Finance and Administrative Services Director Patrice Sutton reported that items 27 through 31 are alternate bonds. Each year, the County will levy a tax to fund these bonds unless we abate the tax. Staff has determined there is enough money to fund these bonds so there is no need to levy a tax.*

#### *Regular Agenda*

*Law and Judicial Committee - Member Cunningham reviewed items 34 and 35. She indicated that both items are related to the MacArthur Foundation Safety and Justice Challenge Implementation Grant and will be used to implement key strategies aimed to reduce the jail population.*

*Health and Community Services Committee - Member Carlson reviewed items 36 and 37.*

*Legislative Committee - Member Wasik reviewed item 38. Member Maine expressed concern regarding the words "sponsor" and "support", noting that it could result in unintended consequences. Assistant County Administrator Paul Fetherston reported there was specificity in using those words, but indicated that there might be a way to modify the language to address concerns expressed by Member Maine. Discussion ensued. Members Rummel and Wilke suggested removing this item from the County Board agenda and sending it back to committee for further review.*

#### *Public Works, Planning, and Transportation Committee*

*Member Durkin reviewed items 39 through 43. Member Maine noted that the real time traffic signal data in item 39 is not used for law enforcement purposes. Member Martini, noting the dissolution of the Seavey Drainage District on item 42, remarked that, in general, there are a number of vacancies on County Board appointed drainage districts throughout the county. Chair Hart indicated several appointments expired and requested the board members' assistance in reaching out to the community for volunteers. It was noted that obtaining financial reports from these districts on an annual basis has been an arduous task. Discussion ensued.*

*Hannah Mulroy, Planning, Building and Development, presented a brief presentation*

*regarding the proposed public hearing for the solar energy task force, item 43.*

*Financial and Administrative Committee*

*Member Frank reviewed items 44 through 47. Member Barr expressed concern regarding item 47 on "vendor disclosure statements", noting that the language does not address disclosure of donations made by collective bargaining groups who work for the vendors. Substantial discussion ensued.*

*Appointments*

*Chair Hart reviewed items 48 through 52. She noted that the appointment for item 52 needs to be amended to remove Johnathan Altenberg as a member of the Lake County Housing and Community Development Commission.*

**8. Executive Session**

*The committee did not enter into Executive Session.*

**9. County Administrator's Report**

**9.1 [19-0222](#)**

*County Administrator's Report for the month of February 2019.*

*Interim County Administrator Amy McEwan reviewed the various projects she and other departments under the County Administrator's Office have been working on.*

**This matter was presented**

**10. Members' Remarks**

*Chair Hart remarked that she will be moving toward the Roberts Rules of Order policy of limiting board members speaking times to twice on an item and no more than 10 minutes each time. Interim County Administrator Amy McEwan reported that the Rules Committee will consider shortening this time.*

*Member Rummel remarked on his constituents receiving an email of which he was not informed about prior to it being sent out. Brooke Hooker, Communications, reported that when individuals sign up through the County website, they can choose what types of communications they want to receive. It was noted that any emails that are given to staff from board members become owned by the county for use by the district member. Discussion ensued.*

*Member Wasik reported on a Legislative Breakfast meeting that will occur on February 25, 2019. He requested board members reach out to their legislators to confirm if they will attend the breakfast.*

*Member Simpson thanked Public Works for their dedicated efforts in reaching out to the community to alert them of a boil order.*

*Member Cunningham reported the Cultural Diversity luncheon will begin at 11:30 with a*

*seminar to immediately follow.*

**11. Adjournment**

*The meeting was adjourned at 10:21 a.m.*

**A motion was made by Member Cunningham, seconded by Member Barr, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Aye:** 20 - Member Hart, Member Cunningham, Member Barr, Member Carlson, Member Clark, Member Danforth, Member Didech, Member Durkin, Member Frank, Member Hewitt, Member Kyle, Member Maine, Member Martini, Member Pedersen, Member Rummel, Member Simpson, Member Taylor, Member Vealitzek, Member Wasik and Member Wilke

**Absent:** 1 - Member Paxton

**Next Meeting: March 8, 2019**

**Following the Adjournment of the Committee of the Whole meeting, the Annual Diversity and Inclusion Program and Luncheon will begin.**

*Minutes prepared by Blanca Vela-Schneider.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

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*Chairman*

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*Vice Chairman*

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*Committee of the Whole*