

Lake County Illinois

*University Center of Lake County
1200 University Center Drive
Grayslake, IL 60030*



Meeting Minutes - Final

Monday, February 25, 2019

8:30 AM

Special Meeting - Legislative Breakfast

Multipurpose Room

Legislative Committee

1. Call to Order

Chair Wasik called the meeting to order at 8:44 a.m.

Others Present:

Sandy Hart, County Board Chair

Mary Ross-Cunningham, County Board Vice-Chair

Jessica Vealitzek, County Board Member

Jennifer Clark, County Board Member

Paul Frank, County Board Member

Steve Carlson, County Board Member

Linda Pedersen, County Board Member

Sarah Duby, Representative of Congressman Brad Schneider

Joyce Mason, State Representative

Laura Dias, Representative of Congresswomen Joyce Mason

Josh May, Representative of Bob Morgan

Mary Edly-Allen, Representative of Edly Allen

Sam Yingling, State Representative

Tom Weber, State Representative

Craig Wilcox, State Senator

Dan McConchie, State Senator

Bob Morgan, State Representative

Melinda Bush, State Senator

Ed Gallagher, Representative of Senator Melinda Bush

Quinne Welter, Representative of Melinda Bush

Daniel Didech, State Representative

Michael Pattis, Representative of Dan Didech

Amy McEwan, Interim County Administrator

Mark Pfister, Health Department

Laura Schneider, Health Department

Patrice Sutton, Finance and Administrative Services

Robin O'Connor, County Clerk

Walter Willis, Solid Waste Agency of Lake County

Joy Gossman, Public Defender

Mike Warner, Storm Water Management

Roycealee Wood, Regional Office of Education

Mike Munda, Regional Office of Education

Erin Cartwright-Weinstein, Circuit Clerk

Rodney Worden, Public Works

Andrew Tangen, Veterans Assistance Commission

Holly Kim, Treasurer

John Idleberg, Sheriff

Paul Fetherston, Assistant County Administrator

Conor Schultz, County Administrator's Office

*Sonia Hernandez, County Administrator's Office
Danya Abusoud, Finance and Administrative Services*

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Vice-Chair Martini led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Addenda to the Agenda

There were no items added to the agenda.

4. Public Comment

There were no comments made by the public.

5. Chair's Remarks

Chair Wasik welcomed and introduced the legislators, board members, and staff to the legislative breakfast and provided a brief background on the College of Lake County. Board Chair Hart thanked all the participants for attending the event and noted its importance. She emphasized the opportunity to understand everyone's legislative priorities and obtain feedback. Discussion ensued.

6. Old Business

7. New Business

7.1 [19-0338](#)

Legislative Breakfast - Discussion of Legislative Priorities in the 101st General Assembly between Committee members, Board Members and Lake County Legislative Delegation.

Chair Wasik provided an overview of the bills of interest that staff have been monitoring. Eric Waggoner provided a summary of Senate Bill (SB) 1114 amending state statute so that the County may expeditiously remediate hazardous conditions within an abandoned housing unit or other property that may pose a transferable health or safety risk to adjoining units or properties, such as townhomes, condominiums, or other close-set units. He also provided an overview of SB1179 amending state statute so that the County may regulate agricultural activity, specifically regarding for animal husbandry, excluding equine activity, in and adjacent to residential areas. Senator Melinda Bush updated the Legislative Committee regarding the legislative process and anticipated events in Springfield pertaining to County bills and commended Lake County for its stupendous efforts throughout this legislative session. On behalf of Shane Schneider, Interim County Administrator Amy McEwan provided an update on the County's consensus plan. Senator Yingling inquired on the County's legislative process. Board Chair Hart emphasized the County's strong interest in property tax reform legislation and sought feedback from the legislators on how the County can make a positive impact for taxpayers. Member Didech noted taxpayer requests for consolidation. Chair Wasik expressed that the County Board is developing reforms to address assessments and appeals. Member Martini noted the County Board is reviewing a comprehensive real estate property bill of rights for taxpayers. Discussion ensued.

This matter was discussed.

7.2 [19-0337](#)

Committee discussion and possible action on active legislation/bills of interest.

Chair Wasik requested legislators highlight their top three legislative priorities for this session. Discussion ensued. Chair Wasik and County Board Chair thanked everyone for attending the legislative breakfast and providing their feedback.

This matter was discussed.

8. Approval of Minutes

There were no minutes for approval.

9. Executive Session

There was no Executive Session.

10. County Administrator's Report

There was no County Administrator's Report.

11. Members' Remarks

There were no Members' remarks.

12. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:06 a.m.

A motion was made by Member Simpson, seconded by Member Martini, to adjourn.

The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Chair Wasik, Vice Chair Martini, Member Danforth, Member Didech, Member Kyle, Member Rummel and Member Simpson

Next Meeting: April 2, 2019.

Meeting minutes prepared by Danya Abusoud.

Respectfully submitted,

Chair

Vice-Chair

Legislative Committee