

Lake County Illinois

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



Meeting Minutes - Final

Monday, May 20, 2019

11:00 AM

Conference Room C, 10th Floor

Lake County Public Aid Committee

1. Roll Call

Chair Hart called the meeting to order at 11:06 a.m.

Present 5 - Terry Wilke, Patricia Jones, Suzanne Simpson, Sandy Hart and Dan Venturi

Others present:

Folana Thorns, Appellant

Kathleen O'Connor, Libertyville Township

Liz Heffernan, Libertyville Township

Debbie Seversen, Court Reporter

Blanca Vela-Schneider, County Board Office

Dakisha Wesley, County Board Office

Karen Fox, State's Attorney's Office

2. Chair's Remarks

There were no remarks from the chair.

3. Public Comments (items not on the agenda)

There were no comments from the public.

4. Old Business**4.1 [19-0695](#)**

Hearing on an appeal of the claim of inaction by the General Assistance Office of Libertyville Township with regard to the receipt of general assistance benefits.

Chair Hart opened the hearing on an appeal of the claim of inaction by the General Assistance Office of Libertyville Township. An overview of the hearing process was provided.

Ms. Folana Thorns and Libertyville Township Supervisor Kathleen O'Connor were sworn in by the court reporter. Ms Thorns presented her testimony. (Member Patricia Jones arrived at the meeting.)

Ms. O'Connor declined to cross-examine Ms. Thorns. Chair Hart read from the Illinois General Assistance Handbook regarding disbursement of funds.

Ms. O'Connor presented her testimony. The Committee asked questions of Ms. O'Connor and Ms. Thorns.

(Ms. Thorns left the meeting at 12:01 p.m.)

Discussion continued.

(Chair Hart left the room at 12:10 p.m.) A short recess was taken. The meeting was reconvened at 12:12 p.m.

Discussion continued.

The public hearing was closed at 12:36 p.m..

A complete transcript of this hearing will be kept on file in the Lake County Board Office.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

4.2 [19-0696](#)

Executive session to discuss evidence or testimony in open hearing, or in closed hearing where specifically authorized by law pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(4).

Executive Session was not entered into.

Executive Session was removed from the agenda.

4.3 [19-0697](#)

Committee action determining the appeal of inaction by the General Assistance Office of Libertyville Township.

It was suggested that the committee be clearer in their orders to determine what is necessary to comply with the order by both the township and the recipient.

A motion was made by Member Venturi, seconded by Member Simpson, that Libertyville Township has paid retroactive monies as ordered in November 2018 and that the appeal is denied. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye 5 - Member Wilke, Member Jones, Member Simpson, Member Hart and Member Venturi

5. New Business

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

(Member Simpson left the meeting at 12:42 p.m.)

Chair Hart called a recess.

5.1 [19-0698](#)

Review and approval of the April 24, 2019 Public Aid Committee meeting minutes.

Attachments: [PAC 4.24.19 Minutes - Final](#)

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

Aye 4 - Member Wilke, Member Jones, Member Hart and Member Venturi

Not Present 1 - Member Simpson

5.2 [19-0880](#)

Review and approval of the May 20, 2019 Public Aid Committee meeting minutes.

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

Aye 4 - Member Wilke, Member Jones, Member Hart and Member Venturi

Not Present 1 - Member Simpson

6. Staff Reports

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned.

Minutes prepared by Blanca Vela-Schneider.

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