

Lake County Illinois

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



Meeting Minutes - Final

Thursday, June 25, 2020

10:00 AM

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Ad Hoc Drainage District Consolidation Committee

Pursuant to Section 7(e) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act, the May 29, 2020, Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation, and the attached Written Determination of the Lake County Board Chair, this meeting will be held via audio and video conference and not in the Lake County Assembly Room located on the 10th Floor of the Administrative Tower at 18 N. County Street, Waukegan, Illinois.

This meeting will be live-streamed at <http://lakecounty.tv/> and on Comcast's network, Channel 18 or 30 (depending on where you live) and AT&T Channel 99.

Public comments are welcomed and encouraged. Public comments received by 10:00 a.m., Thursday, June 25, 2020 will be read at the beginning of the meeting under Public Comment in the order they are received. Comments received during the meeting will be held until the end of the meeting. Please note: A total of 30 minutes will be permitted for Public Comment and no more than three minutes per public comment pursuant to the County Board Rules of Order and Operational Procedures. All comments received will be included in the Committee's meeting minutes regardless of whether they are read aloud at the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS shall be emailed to CountyBoard@lakecountyil.gov with the following information:

- * Subject Title: Ad Hoc Drainage District Consolidation Committee
- Public
- Comment
 - * Name
 - * Street Address (Optional)
 - * City, State (Optional)
 - * Phone (Optional)
 - * Organization, agency, etc. being represented. (If representing yourself, put "Self")
 - * Topic or Agenda Item Number followed by Public Comment.

Public with no access to email may leave a message with the County Board Office at 847-377-2300.

0. [20-0824](#)

Determination of need for meetings of the Lake County Board and Committees to be held by audio or video conference.

Attachments: [Determination - Chair Hart - Rev 081320.pdf](#)

1. Call to Order

Chair Hart called the meeting to order at 10 a.m.

Present 4 - Vice Chair Carlson, Member Martini, Member Vealitzek and Chair Hart

Absent 1 - Member Wasik

Others present:

Matthew Meyers, County Administrator's Office

Gary Gibson, County Administrator's Office

Mike Warner, Stormwater Management Commission

Stephen Rice, State's Attorney's Office

Paul Frank, County Board

Lynn Buccieri, County Board Office

Abby Scalf, County Board Office

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Hart 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 thanked everyone for joining this meeting and is happy to have the staff provide updates and get feedback from the Committee members.

6. Old Business

There was no old business to discuss.

7. New Business

Consent Agenda (Items 7.1 - 7.2)

Approval of Minutes

7.1 [20-0831](#)

Minutes for April 11, 2019.

Attachments: [Ad Hoc Drainage 4.11.19 Minutes.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Member Carlson, seconded by Member Martini, that Consent Agenda items 7.1 and 7.2 be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Vice Chair Carlson, Member Martini, Member Vealitzek and Chair Hart

Absent: 1 - Member Wasik

7.2 [20-0832](#)

Minutes for August 1, 2019.

Attachments: [Ad Hoc Drainage 8.1.19 Minutes.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Member Carlson, seconded by Member Martini, that Consent Agenda items 7.1 and 7.2 be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Vice Chair Carlson, Member Martini, Member Vealitzek and Chair Hart

Absent: 1 - Member Wasik

Regular Agenda

7.3 [20-0830](#)

Discussion on a resolution to dissolve the Beach Park Drainage District.

Attachments: [Beach Park resolution.pdf](#)
[BeachPark.pdf](#)

Matt Meyers, Assistant County Administrator, updated the Committee on the dissolution of the Beach Park Drainage District. Mr. Meyers reminded the Committee of the direction given to staff at the August 1, 2019 Committee meeting.

The County has been in discussion with the Mayors from Beach Park and Waukegan, and has received support from the municipalities to dissolve and take responsibility for the District. Members Hewitt and Paxton, whose districts encompass the district, also voiced support.

The municipalities, which will partner with the Stormwater Management Commission, will need to also pass a resolution to approve the dissolution of the Beach Park Drainage District.

The \$3 assessment per household will be eliminated from the owners' property tax bill, and the approximate \$56,000 remaining funds within the District will be dispersed to Beach Park and Waukegan based on the municipality's size within the District. A joint press release from the County and municipalities would be sent residents to inform of the dissolution. Information also may be included in the Board Members' newsletters.

Following discussion, the Committee gave consensus to bring the resolution to the Public Works Planning and Transportation and the Financial and Administrative committees for approval at their July meetings.

8. Executive Session

The Committee did not enter into Executive Session.

9. County Administrator's Report

Matt Meyers, Assistant County Administrator, said staff also is progressing in our discussions with the West Deerfield Township and the North Shore Water Reclamation District regarding the dissolution of the Del Mar Woods Sanitary District. There are other types of Districts in addition to drainage districts, including the sanitary district and mosquito abatement district that the Committee has not focused on but may also address.

10. Members' Remarks

Chair Hart sought Committee feedback regarding expanding the focus of this Committee on all districts, and added that it is good for the Committee to hear the work staff is conducting and provide feedback.

Discussion ensued.

Matt Meyers, Assistant County Administrator, said he will work with the State's Attorney's Office and the County Administrator to bring this idea forward before the Board.

11. Adjournment

Chair Hart called the meeting to be adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Next Meeting: To Be Determined

Meeting minutes prepared by Abby Scalf and Theresa Glatzhofer.

Respectfully submitted,

Chair, Ad Hoc Drainage District Consolidation Committee