

Lake County Illinois

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



Meeting Minutes - Final

Wednesday, January 6, 2021

10:30 AM

Meeting held by video conference. Register to virtually attend the meeting at <http://bit.ly/3aTNkGV>

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Energy & Environment Committee

Pursuant to Section 7(e) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act, the December 11, 2020, Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation, and the Written Determination of the Lake County Board Chair, this meeting will be held by audio and video conference.

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE: The public wishing to attend remotely / virtually may: (1) register at the link on the front page of this agenda to attend by audio or video conference or (2) attend remotely on the 10th Floor of the Administrative Tower, 18 N. County Street, Waukegan, Illinois (limited to the number of persons in keeping with social distancing requirements, currently 10 people).

PUBLIC VIEWING: This meeting will be live-streamed at <http://lakecounty.tv/> and on Comcast Channel 18 or 30 and AT&T Channel 99.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Individuals attending remotely / virtually may present their Public Comment during the meeting. Individuals not in attendance may provide written Public Comment that must be received by 3:00 p.m. the day prior to the meeting (emailed to PublicComment@Lakecountyil.gov or delivered to the County Board Office 18 N. County Street, Waukegan, Illinois (10th floor)). Public Comment on items not on the agenda will be presented at the beginning of the meeting under "Public Comment." Comments on agenda items will be presented during consideration of that item. A total of 30 minutes will be permitted for Public Comment and no more than three minutes per Comment. Public Comment will proceed in the following order: (1) Public Comment by individuals in attendance (on the 10th Floor and then those via the registered link) then (2) written comments in the order they are received. Written Public Comment not read during the meeting will be included in the minutes.

Individuals providing Public Comment will provide the following information:

- * Meeting: Energy and Environment Committee
(Must be the Subject line for written Public Comment)
- * Name:
- * Street Address, City, State (Optional):
- * Phone Number (Optional):
- * Organization/Agency/etc. Represented (If representing yourself, put "Self"):
- * Topic or Agenda Item # (if applicable) - followed by the written Comment

0. [21-0069](#)

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

Attachments: [Determination - Chair Hart 12.30.20](#)

1. Call to Order

Vice Chair Parekh called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

Present 7 - Chair Wilke, Vice Chair Parekh, Member Altenberg, Member Barr, Member Hewitt, Member Martini and Member Wasik

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Vice Chair Parekh led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call of Members

Chair Wilke arrived at 10:34 a.m.

Member Barr arrived at 10:35 a.m.

Present 7 - Member Barr, Member Hewitt, Member Altenberg, Member Martini, Vice Chair Parekh, Member Wasik and Chair Wilke

Others present:

Sandy Hart, County Board

Linda Pedersen, County Board

Jessica Vealitzek, County Board

Gina Roberts, County Board

Carissa Casbon, County Board

Carl Kirar, Facilities and Construction Services

Larry Mackey, Health Department

Eric Waggoner, Planning Building and Development

Krista Braun-Barkley, Planning Building and Development

Robert Springer, Planning Building and Development

Hannah Mulroy, Planning Building and Development

Kelly Shelton, Shelton Solutions

Walter Willis, Solid Waste Agency of Lake County

Lisle Stalter, Solid Waste Agency of Lake County

RuthAnne Hall, Finance and Administrative Services

Matt Meyers, County Administrator's Office

Cassandra Torstenson, County Administrator's Office

Jim Hawkins, County Administrator's Office

Gary Gibson, County Administrator's Office

Blanca Vela-Schneider, County Administrator's Office

Arin Thrower, Communications

Alex Carr, Communications

Abby Scalf, County Board Office

*Lynn Bucieri, County Board Office
Kristy Cechini, County Board Office*

4. Addenda to the Agenda

There were no additions or amendments to the agenda.

5. Public Comment (Items not on the agenda)

Lake County resident Catherine Shannon presented a public comment requesting to learn more about recycling efforts at the County's buildings.

6. Chair's Remarks

Chair Wilke welcomed new members to the committee and thanked the previous work by the committee and staff including Kelly Shelton, Shelton Solutions, and Hannah Mulroy, Planning Building and Development. He added he looks forward to new ideas from the committee.

7. Unfinished Business

8. New Business

CONSENT AGENDA (Item 8.1)

Approval of Minutes

8.1 [21-0049](#)

Minutes for September 2, 2020.

Attachments: [E&E 9.2.20 Minutes.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Member Martini, seconded by Member Wasik, that Consent Agenda item 8.1 be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Barr, Member Hewitt, Member Altenberg, Member Martini, Vice Chair Parekh, Member Wasik and Chair Wilke

REGULAR AGENDA

8.2 [21-0048](#)

Discussion and review of Committee workplan for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021.

Attachments: [EE Workplan Review 2021](#)

Matt Meyers, Assistant County Administrator, introduced a discussion of the 2021 work plan and fellow staff to present information and answer questions by the Committee on the current work plan.

Hannah Mulroy, Planning Building and Development (PBD), provided an overview of the commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE), a nationwide finance program for commercial property owners to fund energy efficiency renewable energy and water consumption upgrades to their properties. Ms. Mulroy also gave an overview on solar energy implementation at county facilities. Significant discussion ensued.

Eric Waggoner, PBD Director, provided an update on clean air policies, including staff's work to analyze alternatives to yard waste burning options for residents in unincorporated Lake County. Discussion ensued.

Kelly Shelton, Shelton Solutions, gave an overview of the county's net zero policy, including benchmarks that were discussed and approved by the Committee and Board approved in 2020. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Meyers presented ongoing and pending initiatives including facility and fleet efficiency, evaluating a tree initiative, establishing a food policy council, and light pollution methods.

Significant discussion ensued.

This matter was discussed

9. County Administrator's Report

Matt Meyers, Assistant County Administrator, thanked department heads and staff for providing feedback at today's Committee meeting.

10. Executive Session

11. Members' Remarks

There were no remarks by members.

12. Adjournment

Chair Wilke called the meeting to be adjourned at 12:47 p.m.

Next Meeting: February 3, 2021.

Meeting minutes prepared by Abby Scalf.

Respectfully submitted,

Chair