



Kane County

County Board

Meeting Minutes

Government Center
719 S. Batavia Ave., Bldg. A
Geneva, IL 60134

Tuesday, February 27, 2024

4:00 PM

County Board Room

*****CONTINUED MEETING FROM FEBRUARY 13, 2024*****

1. CALL TO ORDER

The continued meeting (February 13, 2024) of the Kane County Board was held at the Kane County Government Center, 719 S. Batavia Ave., Bldg. A, Geneva, IL 60134 on February 27, 2024.

Chairman Pierog called the meeting to order at 4:02 PM.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT:	Board Member Mavis Bates Board Member Ron Ford Board Member Michelle Gumz Board Member Leslie Juby Board Member Michael Kenyon Board Member Chris Kious Board Member Bill Lenert Board Member Anita Lewis Board Member Myrna Molina Board Member Bill Roth Board Member Monica Silva Board Member Cherryl Strathmann Board Member Bill Tarver Board Member Vern Tepe Board Member Rick Williams Board Member David Young Chairman Corinne M. Pierog
REMOTE:	Board Member Deborah Allan Board Member Gary Daugherty Board Member Mark Davoust Board Member Michael Linder Board Member Jarett Sanchez Board Member Clifford Surges
ABSENT:	Board Member Dale Berman
REM NO VOTE:	Board Member Mo Iqbal

3. REMOTE ATTENDANCE REQUESTS

Madam Chair asked for consensus to allow Members Allan, Linder, Daugherty,

Davoust, Sanchez, Surges, and Iqbal attend by remote. However, Member Iqbal would not be allowed to vote. Board consensus received.

Also Present: Chief Dpty. Clerk Weilandt; ASA Frank and Spcl. Asst. Atty. Shepro; Bldgs/Facilities & I.T. Exec. Dir. Fahnestock, IPO Mann, Auditor Wegman, Health Exec. Dir. Isaacson; Sheriff's deputies, press and public.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & INVOCATION

Board Member Ford led the assembly with the recital of the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: January 9, 2024

See County Board meeting minutes from February 13, 2024.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda Items)

Chairwoman Pierog invited public comment on agenda items, as continued from the February 13, 2024 County Board meeting.

Brian Anderson, Sugar Grove, encouraged the Board to review the County's Youtube video as to his prior comments regarding the proposed health building. He asked the board to take a pause and re-evaluate the proposal. He recalled his visit to the Elgin health department where minimal services are being offered, yet 95 employees exist. The average salary for a public health nurse in the county was above average and the number of visits to the department's social media sites indicated there was no public urgency for services. He did not see the numbers supporting a new health building. He suggested locating the department in a dead strip center and remodel it at a price of \$3 - \$6 Million Dollars. More opportunities existed with commercial real estate.

Ken Loebel, St. Charles, voiced concern about the county taking on more debt financing, via a grant, when the entire country is in debt by the trillions. Taxpayers were paying billions in interest; not the principal. He inquired whether there will be union/non-union workers at the site, said there will be a loss of trust, the county is tapping into its \$2.0M reserve and is using it for working capital, salaries, and benefits which was against best practices in financial management. It causes concern for the county's fiscal responsibility. However, he does see a need for the county to provide mental health services.

Frank Esposito, resident, referred to Mr. Isaacson's presentation and understood that just over 1,000 people walked into the health department in 2023 for services, some of which included inspections. Dir. Isaacson stated the department was not a direct medical care facility but supports those performing the medical work. Mr. Esposito encouraged the county to use the available square footage of office space around the county not on a new building. He voiced concern the Ernst & Young report states the new building will be co-owned by the federal government.

Clair Severson, St. Charles, believes the health department and the immigrant matter are tied together and questions whether that is the reason to construct a new health

facility.

Rosanne Erickson, Geneva, a retired nurse, was not supportive of a new health building because she was unsure what it would be used for. She recommended the board being flexible and prudent about health care decisions and costs moving forward. She recommended using the funds to support mental health, substance abuse, and economic challenges for the community; not for a building. She supported bringing the services out to the people instead of a new building taking up more land in Kane County. Lastly, Ms. Erickson voiced concern about union donors, having to pay back the \$20M dollars, and increasing taxes.

Sue Sanders, committee precinct person, described some flyer disinformation that was sent around this past week stating the chairwoman wanted the building to repay her union donors with the construction of the building. Instead, she stated the building would be used for mental health services, restaurant safety, etc. and cost no more than \$31M dollars, constructed on a site owned by the county, which was purchased 40 years ago in order to centralize all of the building onto one campus. Further details were shared. She supported the new building and the trades that would be used to construct it.

Michelle Bettag, reminded the board there still was no a plan in place for the interior of the \$50M building. The citizens before the board were concerned and not pleased with the chairwoman. She stated no one will travel to the new building for services, especially low-income individuals. She voiced concern the chairwoman wanted to house the illegal immigrants in the new building and wanted the chairwoman to support the citizens of Kane County.

Mark Schrage was opposed to taking on new debt for the new health building due to federal handouts of money. He preferred that ARPA funds be used to assist the municipalities replace their lead water service lines.

Attorney Michael Noonan, on behalf of Horizon Solar Power and KaneSolar2 LLC (Petition No. 4616), recalled the board denied his client's request for a special use. If that vote stands, his client, Horizon, was proposing to file a lawsuit against the county; however, he stated it could be avoided if the petition remains as an active agenda item so his client can continue to work with the neighbors. He outlined the steps the board was to take and asked to reconsider the request and vote on the petition at its regular meeting of April 9, 2024.

Silvia Schrage, stated the ARPA funds could be used to triple the efforts of the City of Elgin. Regarding Res. No. 24-055, she asked who were the people that needed accelerated Medicaid coverage. She was not in support of funding family planning. She further highlighted information from the 1974 National Security Study Memorandum: 200 Implications of Worldwide Population Growth for U.S. Security and Overseas Interest (a/k/a Kissinger Report). She asked the board to not support the resolution.

7. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Madam Chairman's Comments
- B. Discussion
- C. Ordinance
- D. Zoning Petitions
 - Petition # 4616 Petitioner: Alexander/Johnson (KaneSolar2, LLC) [TMP-23-1147](#)
 - Petition # 4620 Petitioner: Steven Benner Trust (TPE IL KN415 LL) [TMP-23-1505](#)
 - Petition # 4623 Petitioner: JS2 Trust (Amazing Vehicles Sales) [TMP-24-1754](#)
- E. New Business
- F. Appointments
- G. Committee Updates
 - Public Health Department Update (M. Isaacson)

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. Settlement of Claims
- B. Pending Litigation
- C. Employment Matters ("the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, and/or dismissal of specific employees")

9. OPEN SESSION

- A. Vote on Settlement Approval in Case 22WC008393
- B. Vote on Settlement Approval in Case 23WC010064

10. RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES

----- CONSENT AGENDA -----

The Chairwoman asked if anyone would like to remove an item from the Consent Agenda. Member Strathmann removed Res. Nos. 24-034, 24-035, and 24-040. Member Juby removed Res. No. 24-036. Member Young removed Res. Nos. 24-045 and 24-068. Member Silva removed Res. No. 24-055.

The chairwoman proceeded to ask for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda with the exception of Resolution Nos. #24-034, #24-035, #24-036, #24-040, #24-045, #24-055, and #24-068. (Member Linder allowed in remotely.)

Authorizing the Approval of Qualified Vendors to Provide Technical Services for Food and Agriculture Projects	<u>24-037</u>
Establishing the Office of Community Reinvestment's Finance and Administration Division, the Position of Assistant Director for Finance and Administration, and the Transfer of Workforce Development Fiscal Staff from the Finance Department to the Office of Community Reinvestment	<u>24-038</u>
Approving December 2023 Claims Paid	<u>24-039</u>
Authorizing Transfer of Impact Fee Funds into North Impact Fee Fund #558, Central Impact Fee Fund #559, and South Impact Fee Fund #560	<u>24-041</u>
Authorizing a Contract for Kane County Air Compressor Equipment and Services (Bid#24-008-TS)	<u>24-042</u>
Authorizing a Contract for Kane County Fencing Repair, Replacement, and Installation (Bid#24-003-TS)	<u>24-043</u>
Authorizing a Contract for Window Washing Services (Bid #24-006-TS)	<u>24-044</u>
Authorizing the Contract for the Plato Tower Rental Lease	<u>24-046</u>
Authorizing a Contract for Kane County Animal Control Generator Installation Project	<u>24-047</u>
Authorizing a Contract with University of Illinois Extension to Provide Farm Business Training Services for Kane County Food Growers	<u>24-048</u>
Authorizing a Contract with New Venture Advisors, LLC to Provide Food and Agriculture Project Consulting Services	<u>24-049</u>
Authorizing a Contract with Ellen Kamps to Provide Food and Agriculture Project Consulting Services	<u>24-050</u>
Authorizing a Contract for Kane County Moving Services with Corrected Line Item	<u>24-051</u>
Authorizing a Contract Extension for Mill Creek SSA Parkway Tree Services	<u>24-052</u>
Authorizing a Contract Extension for Mill Creek SSA Parkway Tree Installation Services	<u>24-053</u>
Authorizing an Agreement with Wight and Company for the Public Defender Office Renovation	<u>24-054</u>
Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement with DuPage	<u>24-056</u>

County for Juvenile Detention Services

Providing for the Payment of Toll Bridge Revenue Bonds (Sales Tax Supported), Series 2018, of the County of Kane, Illinois, in Advance of Maturity, and Authorizing and Directing the Execution of an Escrow Agreement in Connection Therewith [24-057](#)

Authorizing Payment to Onsolve for CodeRED and IPAWS for Kane County Office of Emergency Management out of the Public Safety Sales Tax Fund (125) [24-058](#)

Ratifying an Emergency Purchase Affidavit to Purchase Two 2024 Ford E-Transit-350 Cargo Vans for the Building Management Department [24-059](#)

Revision to Kane County Financial Policies [24-060](#)

Authorizing the Creation of a Special Revenue Fund for the Processing of Additional Compensation or Stipends for Certain Elected Officials and Department Heads [24-061](#)

Adopting a Review and Approval Process for County Agreements [24-062](#)

Amending the Personnel Policy Handbook Sections Regarding Extended Illness Leave [24-063](#)

Authorizing FY23 Emergency Management Program Grant for the Office of Emergency Management [24-064](#)

Authorization for the Kane County Office of Emergency Management to Join the G.S.A. Federal Surplus Property Program [24-065](#)

Authorizing an Agreement for Development of a Concept Plan for the Expansion of the Juvenile Justice Center [24-066](#)

Approving a License Agreement Permitting Kane County State's Attorney's Office to License Office Space in the St. Charles Police Department [24-067](#)

Approving Purchase of One (1) 2025 Tandem Axle Truck Cab and Chassis for the Kane County Division of Transportation [24-069](#)

Approving Adopt-A-Highway Applicants [24-070](#)

Approving Purchase of One (1) Body and Equipment Package Including Installation Thereof on One (1) Tandem Axle Truck Cab and Chassis for the Kane County Division of Transportation [24-071](#)

Approving Purchase of One (1) Blend Boss 5th Generation Liquid Pump with Two Fill Stations for the Kane County Division of Transportation [24-072](#)

Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the State of Illinois for Statewide Planning and Research Funding for the Kane County Division of Transportation Asset Management Plan

[24-073](#)

Approving an Amendment to a Grant Agreement with the State of Illinois for Randall Road at Big Timber Road Intersection Improvements, Kane County Section No. 19-00369-01-CH

[24-074](#)

RESULT: APPROVED THE CONSENT AGENDA

MOVER: Michael Kenyon

SECONDER: Bill Tarver

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Gary Daugherty, Mark Davoust, Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Michael Linder, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Monica Silva, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, and David Young

ABSENT: Dale Berman

-----**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**-----

Authorizing the Use of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Lost Revenue Recoupment Funds for the Construction of a Health Department Facility for Kane County Residents

[24-034](#)

Madam Chair asked for a motion to approve Resolution No. 24-034.

Motion by Member Tepe, second by Member Kious to approve/discuss Resolution No. 24-034.

Motion by Member Strathmann, second by Member Kious to amend the motion and postpone Resolution No. 23-034 to a date certain, that date being March 20, 2024 special board meeting.

Member Sanchez explained the reason for the postponement of the three resolutions (#24-034, -035, and -040) regarding the public health facility was to allow the team more time to respond to the information shared by the State's Attorney's Office in order to assist the board in understanding the information and the parameters of the project. However, other board members voiced their objection to postponement due to the research already done on this matter. **The roll was called on the amendment to postpone:**

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RESULT: HELD OVER

TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Cherryl Strathmann
SECONDER:	Chris Kious
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Gary Daugherty, Mark Davoust, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Monica Silva, Cherryl Strathmann, and Vern Tepe
NAY:	Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Michael Linder, Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Rick Williams, and David Young
ABSENT:	Dale Berman

Authorizing the Use of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds
for the Construction of a Health Department Facility for Kane
County Residents

[24-035](#)

Madam Chair asked for a motion to approve Resolution No. 24-035.

**Motion by Member Tepe, second by Member Kious to approve/discuss
Resolution No. 24-035.**

**Motion by Member Strathmann, second by Member Kious to amend the
motion and postpone Resolution No. 23-035 to a date certain, that date
being March 20, 2024 special board meeting.**

Roll call on the amendment followed:

County Board

RESULT:	HELD OVER
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Cherryl Strathmann
SECONDER:	Vern Tepe
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Mark Davoust, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Monica Silva, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, and Corinne M. Pierog
NAY:	Gary Daugherty, Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Michael Linder, Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Rick Williams, and David Young
ABSENT:	Dale Berman

Authorizing an Amendment to the Agreement with the Kane
County American Rescue Plan Consultant and Corresponding
Use of Additional State and Local Fiscal Recovery

[24-036](#)

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE
MOVER:	Vern Tepe
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Mark Davoust, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Monica Silva, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, and Corinne M. Pierog
NAY:	Gary Daugherty, Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Michael Linder, Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Rick Williams, and David Young
ABSENT:	Dale Berman

Authorizing a Budget Adjustment Assigning \$5 Million from
Health Department Fund #350 Fund Balance to be Used in
Capital Line Item for New Public Health Facility

[24-040](#)

Madam Chair asked for a motion to approve Resolution No. 24-040.

**Motion by Member Tepe, second by Member Kious to approve/discuss
Resolution No. 24-040.**

**Motion by Member Strathmann, second by Member Kenyon to amend the
motion and postpone Resolution No. 23-040 to a date certain, that date
being March 20, 2024 special board meeting.**

Roll call on the amendment followed:
County Board

RESULT:	HELD OVER
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Cherryl Strathmann
SECONDER:	Michael Kenyon
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Mark Davoust, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Monica Silva, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, and Corinne M. Pierog
NAY:	Gary Daugherty, Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Michael Linder, Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Rick Williams, and David Young
ABSENT:	Dale Berman

Authorizing a Contract for Engineering and Design for HVAC Systems at the Adult Justice Center (Solicitation RFQ:#23-058)

[24-045](#)

Member Young referred to Exhibit A (page 468 in packet) and questioned the high rate per hour for engineering work that was being charged for the HVAC. He further referenced Exhibit B, noting the county was being overcharged. Building Facilities Dir. Fahnestock explained the blended rate (\$225/hr.) for approximate 3800 hours of work over an estimated annual period for five segments of work to be completed, which he further detailed. A full plan set will be forthcoming, eventually to be bid out in phases over a two- to three -year period. Member Young asked the board to not approve the resolution because he found the charges excessive.

RESULT: **ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE**

MOVER: David Young

SECONDER: Cherryl Strathmann

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Mark Davoust, Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Michael Linder, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, and Vern Tepe

NAY: Gary Daugherty, Michael Kenyon, Bill Roth, Monica Silva, Bill Tarver, Rick Williams, and David Young

ABSENT: Dale Berman

Authorizing Agreement with Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services to Allow Medicaid Presumptive Eligibility for Pregnant Woman Program and Family Planning Program

[24-055](#)

Member Silva thanked Ms. Schrage for bringing up the issue of forced sterilization and spoke to her own mother's experience as a legal immigrant as well as other women who experienced same. She believed awareness should be raised. Speaking to the resolution, Exec. Dir. Isaacson explained it was before the board due to indemnification language. Details followed of what services would be provided, i.e., prenatal care but no abortions.

RESULT: **ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE**

MOVER: Myrna Molina

SECONDER: Cherryl Strathmann

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Mark Davoust, Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Michael Linder, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Monica Silva, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, and Rick Williams

NAY:	Gary Daugherty, and David Young
ABSENT:	Dale Berman

Authorizing Increase in Headcount for New Grant-Funded Home Visiting Nurse

[24-068](#)

Member Young opposed adding a home visiting nurse to the health department's program, via a grant, since the grants do eventually run out of funds. Also, the same services are offered by other charities or organizations outside of the program. Other board members discussed the benefits of a home-visiting nurse to a family as well as confirming that when the grant goes away, so does the head count. Director Isaacson also described the Nurse-Family Partnership model that his department follows. Discussion ensued.

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE
MOVER:	David Young
SECONDER:	Mavis Bates
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Mark Davoust, Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Michael Linder, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Monica Silva, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, and Rick Williams
NAY:	Gary Daugherty, and David Young
ABSENT:	Dale Berman

Authorizing Certain Actions Relative to the Tax Agent

[24-075](#)

County Board

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE
MOVER:	Rick Williams
SECONDER:	Michael Kenyon
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Gary Daugherty, Mark Davoust, Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Michael Linder, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Monica Silva, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, and David Young
ABSENT:	Dale Berman

Approving Transfer of Funds to Provide Legal Assistance to the Kane County Division of Transportation and Corresponding Budget Adjustment

[24-076](#)

ASO Frank indicated that due to the recent transfer of attorney services back to the Civil department, the funds that were used for the assigned KDOT assistant state's attorney will now be transferred over to Civil on an annual basis.

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE
MOVER:	Mark Davoust
SECONDER:	Chris Kious
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Gary Daugherty, Mark Davoust, Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Michael Linder, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Monica Silva, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, and David Young
ABSENT:	Dale Berman

New Business

Motion by Member Kenyon, second by Member Kious to reconsider Zoning Petition #4616. (Previously, Petition #4616 was voted down by the board. Member Williams recuses himself.) **Roll call:**

Aye: Allan*, Bates, Daugherty*, Davoust*, Kenyon, Kious, Linder*, Molina, Sanchez*, Silva, Strathmann, Tepe

Nay: Ford, Gumz, Juby, Lenert, Lewis, Roth, Surges, Tarver, Young

Absent: Berman; **Recused:** Williams

VOTE: 12-9 PASSED

Motion by Member Tepe, second by Member Young to consider/discuss Zoning Petition #4616 to a date certain, that date being April 9, 2024. Roll call:

Aye: Allan*, Bates, Daugherty*, Davoust*, Ford, Kenyon, Kious, Linder*, Molina, Sanchez*, Silva, Strathmann, Tepe, Young

Nay: Gumz, Juby, Lenert, Lewis, Roth, Surges, Tarver

Absent: Berman; **Recused:** Williams

VOTE: 14-7 PASSED

(Williams returns.)

11. PUBLIC COMMENTS (Non-Agenda Items)

Member Gumz asked for clarification on whether the board ever discussed the county as being a sanctuary county, since she did not see the item on the agenda and a large crowd was before the board today. Referring to social media posts and neighborhood posts, Chairwoman Pierog provided background on former Governor Rauner's 2017 decision to pass The Trust Act, making 102 Illinois counties, basically a sanctuary state, along with Governor Pritzker's decision in 2021 to add additional language to support the Trust Act. Member Gumz described the legal authority of what federal agents and local police officers can and cannot ask of an immigrant's status.

Kay Siebert, said there had to be something legally the chairwoman could do to protect the residents of the county. She discussed the increased crime in the region, the City and in the country. She questioned why many of the illegal immigrants were men, when they should be women and children. She also asked for lower taxes, no health building and less government. She asked for paper ballots and not new machines.

Mary Mecham, read the Oxford definition of a country. She offered to aid genuine refugees and legal immigrants from a Christian charity but would not support policy that allows people to illegally enter into our territories only to receive the rights, benefits and privileges of U.S. citizens. She spoke about those who came legally to America via Ellis Island. Ms. Mecham reiterated the importance of vetting those crossing the boarder, since some have a history of crime. Her own parents came from a different country, entered the U.S. and became legal citizens. If the Chairwoman would not host such immigrants in her own home, then she should not allow them in the county.

Kathy Friesburg, from Huntley, questioned the immigration topic on the agenda and then off the agenda. She reminded the board that back in 2017 no one knew of the large numbers of people that would be coming over the borders. She listed those individuals who were killed by an illegal immigrant and the fact the chairwoman wants to bring immigrants closer to its county's residents.

Marianne Nedersome (phonetic), Batavia, believed the chairman could do something in Springfield since it was her job. She supported the comments by the previous speaker, stating the immigrants had to be properly vetted. Also, she questioned where would the resources come from for the immigrants, stating the country has become a place of refuge for criminals to steal and murder.

Dwayne Cheek (phonetic), Geneva, asked the chairwoman to protect the laws, money and actions the board takes for its citizens. He asked the chairwoman to respectfully take the public comments seriously, protect the citizens, and do not enhance the illegals to have a wonderful time here while taking money from the taxpayers who live here legally.

Elija Peecher (phonetic), Elgin resident, voiced objection to the county becoming a sanctuary county due to concerns of housing and sustaining the immigrants, when other issues affect Kane County. Mr. Peecher noted that certain Latin American countries are not allowing people from Venezuela into their country and believed the

U.S. should take the same steps, since their background is unknown. He noted their country is communist; the U.S. is a capitalist country. He emphasized the county does not have the funds/resources to sustain the immigrants and many Hispanics in this country do not want Venezuelans here.

12. ADJOURNMENT TO TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2024

The meeting was adjourned at 6:29 PM.

RESULT:	APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE
MOVER:	Michael Kenyon
SECONDER:	Chris Kious

Respectfully submitted,

Celeste Weilandt
Chief Deputy Clerk