



Kane County

KC Administration Committee

Meeting Minutes

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

KIOUS, Juby, Arroyo, Berman, Garcia, Gumz, Young, ex-officios Roth (County Vice Chair)
and Pierog (County Chair)

Friday, February 14, 2025

10:30 AM

County Board Room

1. Call To Order

Chairman Kious called the meeting to order at 10:30 AM.

2. Roll Call

PRESENT:	Board Member Chris Kious, Board Member Leslie Juby, Alex Arroyo, Sonia Garcia, Michelle Gumz, David Young, Bill Roth and Corinne M. Pierog
REMOTE:	Dale Berman

Also present: Co. Bd. Members Allan*, Gripe, Lewis, Molina*, Penesis*, Strathmann*; ITD/BLD Exec. Dir. Fahnestock & staff Lasky, Files, Roff, Walker, Peters, Cunningham; ASA Frank, Brady*; KCSO Chief of Admin. Catich; OEM Dir. Buziecki; KCAC Admin. Youngsteadt*; and members of the press and public including Arnold Schramel from Progressive Energy Group and Brian Carroll from JLL Commercial Real Estate.

3. Remote Attendance Requests

Chairman Kious announced the remote attendance requests for today's meeting. He asked the Committee if there were any objections to Committee Member Berman attending today's meeting remotely. There were no objections. Committee Member Berman did not attend today's meeting.

4. Approval of Minutes: January 15, 2025

RESULT:	APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz

5. Public Comment

None.

6. Finance Report

A. Monthly Finance Reports

Chairman Kious stated the monthly financial reports were on file. No additional report was on file.

7. Executive Director's Report (R. Fahnestock)**A. Presentation: Kane County Facilities Planning**

ITD/BLD Exec. Dir. Fahnestock presented an overview of the Kane County Facilities Master Plan and Kane County Facilities Planning. He explained the steps that occurred when developing the Facilities Master Plan. He noted that this plan was set up to give the County guidance on goals and objectives. He reviewed the Master Facility Plan timeline and recommendations. He listed numerous projects under the short-term, mid-term, and long-term recommendations, such as addressing space needs, building expansions, storage, and new construction. Fahnestock addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Much discussion ensued.

Fahnestock introduced JLL Commercial Real Estate Senior Vice President, Brian Carroll. While working with Carroll, County properties have been identified for lease and/or purchase to possibly address space needs and storage. Fahnestock reviewed the short-term plans for County facilities. He asked the Committee for their input on how the Building Management Department (BLD) should move forward with possible leasing and/or purchasing properties to address the needs of the Facilities Master Plan. Fahnestock addressed questions and comments from the Committee. (Committee Member Berman arrived remotely at 11:02 a.m.) Much discussion ensued. (Madam Chairman Pierog arrived in-person at 11:05 a.m.) Fahnestock shared pictures of the County's Randall Road property's storage area. Further discussion ensued. The Committee provided a consensus to explore purchasing and/or leasing properties to help alleviate County space needs. Fahnestock stated he would bring more information and examples of available properties for sale and/or lease.

8. Building Management (R. Fahnestock)**A. Presentation: Kane County Electric Program**

Progressive Energy Managing Partner, Arnold Schramel, provided a presentation on the Energy Market Conditions Report. He shared a graph depicting the Electric Power Price "Future Curve" from 2011 to 2024. He spoke on the Electric Forward Price Update. Since 2019, the raw price of power is up approximately 87%. The raw price is projected to continue to increase over the next few years. Schramel shared a graph depicting the PJM Capacity Price, which showed a significant increase. He explained that capacity is an industry term that makes sure there is enough power in the grid, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Payments are made to power plants that allow residences to remain online and to be provided enough power. Schramel stated that the ComEd residential cost will increase from \$0.069 per kWh to \$0.091 per kWh starting in June 2025. He spoke on the energy cost savings of possessing a solar field. He reviewed the Power Plant Retirement timeline. He noted that most of these power plants are coal. He shared the additional projected retirements, such as Illinois Climate and Equitable Jobs Act. He reviewed the Electric Load

Growth. For over two decades, electric demand has been in a low growth mode. Current forecast does anticipate a 3% growth, which would mean six times the planning and construction of new generation and transmission capacity. Schramel shared the location of data centers across the country. He noted that data centers are the largest electric growth contributors. Illinois is one of the largest data center hubs in the country. Schramel spoke on the North American Crude Oil Market. He explained that the import process of Canadian crude oil to the United States. He spoke on the Natural Gas Production. He noted that the United States is the largest natural gas producer in the world. Since 2016, the total dry gas production has increased. He provided a graph depicting the Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Exports Continual Rise. The export of natural gas has risen the price of natural gas in the United States. Schramel reviewed the Natural Gas Pricing Forecast. He spoke on the Illinois Climate and Equitable Jobs Act (CEJA). This bill was passed on September 15, 2021. The goal of the Act is to have Illinois be 100% clean by 2050. Schramel provided an overview of the Act and what has been mandated, such as the closure of coal and natural gas plants by 2045. He reviewed the Specific Renewable Portfolio Standards (RPS) Targets. Schramel addressed where the \$9.5B of CEJA is being spent. He explained that the average rate impact of CEJA to a customer is approximately \$11.00 per month, or \$112 per year. The annual impact to Kane County facilities served by ComEd is \$122,439. Schramel shared the Solar Opportunities for residential, business, and governmental. Schramel addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Discussion ensued. (Madam Chairman Pierog left at 11:54 a.m.)

- B.** Authorizing a Contract Extension for Architect, Engineer, and Construction Manager Services Contract(s) with Wight & Company, Healy Bender, Patton & Been, Inc., and Helmuth, Obata & Kassabuam, Inc. (HOK) (RFQ# 42-020)

ITD/BLD Exec. Dir. Fahnestock introduced this resolution. He provided additional information. Fahnestock addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Discussion ensued.

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RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	KC Executive Committee
MOVER:	Leslie Juby
SECONDER:	Alex Arroyo
AYE:	Chris Kious, Board Member Juby, Board Member Arroyo, Board Member Berman, Board Member Garcia, Board Member Gumz and Board Member Young
ABSENT:	Ex-Officio County Board Chair Pierog

9. Information Technology (C. Lasky)

- A.** Authorizing Execution of a Master Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreement and Other Documents Necessary to Participate in a Purchasing Cooperative with AT&T, and Authorizing the Purchase of Telecommunications Services Under Said Agreement by Kane County

ITD CIO Lasky explained that this resolution was not included within today's agenda packet because the Information Technologies Department (ITD) was working with the State's Attorney's Office (SAO) to get this intergovernmental cooperative finalized. He explained that the AT&T Acknowledgement of Service Order has been updated. During the review of this, there was an acknowledgement of service that listed a date of June 11, 2025. However, AT&T has changed this date to April 22, 2026. With the final Acknowledgement of Service Order and the review of the SAO, this one-year renewal of services has been brought forth to Committee for a vote. Lasky explained that the services provided under this agreement is for KaneComm and Sheriff tower locations that provide circuits to run the radio system and the County's burglar and alarm systems. He addressed the reason why this resolution and contract was not included in the agenda packet. Lasky and ASA Frank addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Discussion ensued.

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RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	KC Executive Committee
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Leslie Juby
AYE:	Chris Kious, Board Member Juby, Board Member Arroyo, Board Member Berman, Board Member Garcia, Board Member Gumz and Board Member Young
ABSENT:	Ex-Officio County Board Chair Pierog

- B.** Authorizing Contract Extension for Low Voltage Data Cabling and Structured Network Cable Engineering Services with Blade Electric & Technologies

ITD CIO Lasky provided additional information on this resolution.

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
MOVER:	David Young
SECONDER:	Leslie Juby

10. Mill Creek SSA (R. Fahnestock)

None.

11. Vehicles

- A.** Approving the Purchase of Seven Replacement Vehicles for the Kane County Sheriff's Office

KCSO Chief of Admin. Catich provided additional information on the vehicles that are being replaced. Catich addressed questions and comments from the Committee.

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TO:	KC Executive Committee
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Alex Arroyo
AYE:	Chris Kious, Board Member Juby, Board Member Arroyo, Board Member Berman, Board Member Garcia, Board Member Gumz and Board Member Young

12. New Business

OEM Dir. Buziecki handed out a draft of the Kane County of Operations Planning Policy. He explained that this policy would allow adequate planning and preparation for a potential need to move County staff and/or equipment in case of emergencies to allow government business to run accordingly. This plan is for all County departments/offices that are under the purview of the County Board. Buziecki explained that the Office of Emergency Management (OEM) has requested that all departments/offices participate in this planning to address any possible disruption(s) to County business. He requested that this draft be reviewed and all feedback and changes be forwarded to him. Buziecki addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Discussion ensued.

- A.** Repealing Resolution 22-439 Authorizing the Combining of the Positions of Executive Director of Information Technologies and Executive Director of Building Management

The Committee moved to an Executive Session at this time for discussion on this resolution.

RESULT:	TABLED
MOVER:	Chris Kious
SECONDER:	Alex Arroyo
AYE:	Chris Kious, Board Member Arroyo, Board Member Berman and Board Member Garcia
NAY:	Board Member Juby and Board Member Gumz
ABSENT:	Board Member Young

13. Executive Session

The Administration Committee entered into Executive Session at 12:17 p.m. to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees on a motion made by Gumz, Arroyo seconded. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

The Committee returned to Open Session at 1:56 p.m. on a motion made by Gumz, Arroyo seconded. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

The Committee moved back to agenda item 12A for a vote and/or discussion.

RESULT:	APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Alex Arroyo
AYE:	Chris Kious, Board Member Juby, Board Member Arroyo, Board Member Berman, Board Member Garcia, Board Member Gumz and Board Member Young

14. Old Business

None.

15. Reports Placed On File

RESULT:	APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz

16. Adjournment

RESULT:	APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Alex Arroyo

This meeting was adjourned at 1:58 PM.

Savannah Zgobica

Sr. Recording Secretary