



Kane County

KC Executive Committee

Meeting Minutes

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

PIEROG, Allan, Bates, Berman, Davoust, Ford, Gumz, Kious, Kenyon, Lewis, Linder, Molina, Sanchez, Strathmann, Surges, & ex-officio Tepe (County Vice Chair)

Wednesday, September 6, 2023

9:00 AM

County Board Room

1. Call to Order

Chairman Pierog called the meeting to order at 9:03 AM.

2. Roll Call

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| PRESENT | Chairman Corinne M. Pierog Board Member Mavis Bates Board Member Dale Berman Board Member Mark Davoust Board Member Ron Ford Board Member Michelle Gumz Board Member Michael Kenyon Board Member Chris Kious Board Member Anita Lewis Board Member Michael Linder Board Member Myrna Molina Board Member Jarett Sanchez Board Member Cherryl Strathmann Board Member Clifford Surges Ex-Officio County Board Vice Chair Vern Tepe |
| REMOTE | Board Member Deborah Allan |

Also present: Co. Bd. members Juby*, Lenert*, Roth, Young*; Fin. Exec. Dir. Hopkinson & staff Ramer-Holmes, Kietzman; PIO Mann; HRM Exec. Dir. Lobrillo; KDOT Dir. Schoedel & staff Rickert*; ITD/BLD Exec. Dir. Fahnestock & staff Files, Smith, Peters; Special ASA Shepro; ASA Frank; KCAC Admin. Youngsteadt; Treasurer staff Cain; Water & Environ. Dir. Wollnik; Auditor Wegman; Health Dept. staff Snowden*; Supv. of Assessments Armstrong*; ROE Supt. Dal Santo*; and members of the press and public.

3. Remote Attendance Requests

Madam Chairman Pierog announced the remote attendance requests for today's meeting. She asked the Committee if there were any objections to Committee Member Allan to attend the meeting remotely. There were no objections.

4. Pledge of Allegiance

Madam Chairman Pierog asked Committee Member Gumz to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. (Committee Member Lewis arrived in-person 9:04 a.m.)

5. Approval of Minutes: August 2, 2023

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| RESULT: | APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT |
| MOVER: | Chris Kiious |

6. Public Comment (Agenda Items)

Madam Chairman explained that the vote for a tax increase will not be voted on today. She wanted to make the public speakers aware of this before public comments were heard. On today's agenda, there is no agenda item relating to the tax increase, therefore, all speakers will be heard at the end of today's meeting.

Brian Anderson, Sugar Grove, explained that most speakers are here today to speak on the proposed property tax increase. He requested that the Committee allow all speakers to be heard at this time, rather than waiting until the end of the meeting. Madam Chairman Pierog asked Anderson to take his seat for the time being.

Frank Esposito, 64 White Oak, St. Charles, commented on the County voting to use the Consumer Price Index (CPI) increase for the County budget. He would like to be informed on how the budget process is done. If the County uses a zero-based budget, and then add the CPI on top of expenses spent in 2023, that would mean items that occurred in 2023 would have an amount of money added to those dollars, even though, the County would not expend for the same type of items in 2024. Esposito questioned if the County uses a zero-based budget. Madam Chairman Pierog explained how the budget is put together.

Madam Chairman asked the Committee if they would prefer that all speakers be heard now. The Committee provided a consensus to have all speakers heard at the beginning of the meeting.

Terry Lally, St. Charles, stated there was a survey taken by the Republican Party in Kane County. During this survey, there were 12 main items that Kane County residents are concerned with. He read aloud the first four concerns: taxes, crime, education, and state government with high expenses and salaries.

Brian Anderson, Sugar Grove, thanked the County Board for the opportunity to speak at the beginning of the meeting. He spoke on the proposed tax increase. He reminded the Board of the pledge and the Kane County's mission statement. Residents would like the County to be fiscally responsible. He would like to see County Government have the ability to balance between government and spending taxes. He noted that this is the very reason that residents vote for those on the County Board. They are to be prudent and do more with less, and to run the County lean and mean. Anderson stated that Kane County has one of the highest property taxes in the United States. Kane County is ranked 32 out of 3,143 counties in the Country for the highest property taxes. The average yearly property tax paid by Kane County residents amounts to approximately 6.3% of their yearly income. In March 2023, Illinois is 13th in the nation's

50 highest property markets and most at risk of the downturn. Kane County ranks number six in that category of being very vulnerable. This is the first time in 11 years, that property taxes would be raised. This proves that Kane County has done a great job at utilizing what they have had. The Kane County Treasurer has brought in approximately \$10M in surplus. Anderson explained that 60% of property taxes go to the County's public schools. The Illinois State Board of Education in 2022 stated that Aurora School District had a graduation rate of 89%, but only 17% of students were reading at grade level, 14% at math level. In the Geneva School District, 44% of graduates read at grade level and only 42% at math. St. Charles School District has only 53% of their students reading at grade level. Anderson stated that raising property taxes to support the failing school districts is not working. This averages out to be approximately \$17K per student in Kane County. This shows an opportunity to look into the taxes and ask what is going wrong. Anderson quoted a press release from September 19, 2022 by Dale Berman.

Kane County resident, Mary Kay Sharp-Coler, explained that the budget states the County Board received \$103.4M from the Federal Government for the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). This money was to help defray the costs associated with it's response to the COVID-19 pandemic within the County. She asked the Committee what costs needed to be defrayed from COVID-19. After further review of the budget, Sharp-Coler found that the County has bought pretzels and granola bars under office supplies. This is an example of waste and poor use of resident's tax dollars. The Kane County Treasurer's Office has brought in an additional \$10M, which exceeded their projections. The Board's focus on raising taxes by 5%, as well as, raising the assessment of homes by 10%, would be catastrophic for all residents in this economy with inflation of 17%. Additionally, Sharp-Coler stated that Administrative employees of Kane County receive a generous raise each year. Madam Chairman Pierog makes \$105K per year. Sharp-Coler noted that her salary is no where near that amount. Presently, prices on everything has skyrocketed, but not our income. With the proposed tax increase, this would be unbearable to the residents. She ended with quoting "Taxation without Representation".

Kane County resident, Roxane Shilka, quoted Constitution Attorney KrisAnne Hall, "We have forgotten that we the people are the rulers over government and have allowed government to become rulers over people". Government does not create value or wealth, it can only spend money of those that are working. The County Board is not the County's rulers, but are the representatives. As such, the Board should be the guardians of our rights and our private property. The United States has prospered because of the liberties and freedoms that we have. Kane County has one of the highest tax rates in Illinois. According to the latest IRS tax data, Illinois is the third biggest loser of residents and wealth compared to other states. Surveys have said that property taxes, crime, schools, and corruption are the reasons for this. Illinois has lost major businesses and scores of small businesses. Shilka explained that inflation is rapid, stores are closed, consumer debt is rising due to families being unable to make ends meet. In fact, 22 states have reduced taxes in the last two years, yet Kane County wants to raise them. Kane County may see a small influx because of people leaving Chicago. However, if Kane County follows Chicago's lead in taxes, crime, school

failure, and corruption, it will not be long before we see Chicago results. More people and businesses will leave the state without stopping in Kane County. In conclusion, Shilka shared characteristics of good government. She would like the Board to think about these characteristics and the long-term prosperity of Kane County.

Kim Sieber, 15 N. Northampton Drive, Geneva, pointed out that several Committee Members were on their phones, instead of listening to the concerns of their constituents. She asked them for their undivided attention because they are the residents' representatives. Sieber stated that each one of the Board Members were elected to do the will of the residents and not their own. With many members on their phones, it simply looks like they do not care about the worries and complaints of the residents. She recommended the Board Members work for the County pro-bono to show the constituents that they actually care about the role they hold. Sieber explained that the County needs to go through the budget and look to what could be cut. Kane County residents have to do this in their own households. Anything the County thinks needs to be raised, needs to be lowered. She pleaded with the Committee to be fiscally responsible.

John Whittington, 4N912 Greenwood Lane, St. Charles, spoke on the proposed \$110M Government Center. Whittington stated that he is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA), managing real estate broker in Illinois, and a County taxpayer. He provided a brief professional background. Whittington believes he is professionally inclined to comment on the \$110M Government Center and the proposed tax rate increases. He noted that all the Board Members ran for office with good intentions, but with the new plans to construct a new Government Center and pile more taxes onto the County's citizens it makes him wonder if they are truly doing so. He stated that all roads to hell are paved with good intentions. Whittington stated that the old real estate adage is "location, location, location". With his professional experiences, he knows that timing is equally as important. With the development of taxing plans, he asked the Committee if they have looked at the bigger picture and how the increased taxes would affect them individually, their families, their neighbors, and the financial viability of the County. He has prepared a list of various articles discussing what is really going on in our Country and the world. Whittington left copies of the list for the Committee to review.

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| RESULT: | APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE |
| MOVER: | Mavis Bates |
| SECONDER: | Chris Kious |

7. Monthly Financials (K. Hopkinson)**A. Monthly Finance Reports**

Fin. Exec. Dir. Hopkinson stated the monthly financial reports were on file. No additional report was made.

B. 2024 Finance and Budget Update

Fin. Exec. Dir. Hopkinson provided a presentation on the 2024 Finance and Budget Update. Within the Finance Department, the 2022 Annual Audit has been completed and was filed on August 30, 2023. She thanked her staff for their diligent work on the audit. The Audit Report should have been completed by May 31, 2023, but with the large turnover in the Finance Department, it was postponed. If this audit was not filed by August 31, 2023, the State funding could have stopped. Hopkinson reviewed the County's General Fund sources of revenue and expenses. She noted that all departments and elected officials' offices will be presenting their FY24 budgets to their standing committees this month. New to this year's Budget Policy, each department/office was asked to prepare two budgets. The first review budget includes the current employees. It does not include vacant positions, cost of living increases, merit increases, union collective bargaining estimates, or new positions due to the Safe-T Act. For the first draft of the General Fund budget, the County has come up short by \$5M. She listed the sources that are included within the General Fund. Hopkinson presented Kane County's salaries and wages. The table provided a representation of wages and salaries. This does not include health and dental insurance, IMRF, and/or FICA. Hopkinson listed the departments and their salary and wages budget. She asked all standing committees, as they review the budgets, to look at the request for new positions. Hopkinson listed the Collective Bargaining Units and their contracts. Out of the 15 union contracts, six of them have expired and three are set to expire in the next couple months. Hopkinson spoke on salaries that were reimbursed by CARES and ARPA funds from 2020 through 2022. Unfortunately, this funding is no longer available to the County for salary reimbursements. Hopkinson shared the recently revised table of the surrounding counties comparable revenues and statistics. She spoke on the RTA Sales Tax. The tax can be used for Transportation and/or Public Safety. Each year, the Kane County Board decides how the County will distribute this money. County Financial Policies states that 75% of RTA Sales Tax dollars goes to Transportation, 10% goes to the County's General Fund for Public Safety, and the remainder gets distributed into two small accounts. Hopkinson listed the ways surrounding counties use their revenue sales taxes. She provided the Property Tax Extension Limitation History. The Property Tax Extension Limitation Act states counties can choose the lower percentage of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) or the Property Tax Extension Law Limit (PTELL). In 2023, the CPI was 6.5% and PTELL was 5%. She spoke on the upcoming resolution to authorize the County to consider an increase to the PTELL limit. She listed the County's Property Tax Levies that have been extended over the past 10 years. She spoke on Revenue Recapture. The new State law states that the County can include the remaining uncollected property taxes from

successful appeals in the tax extension and recapture those funds. Madam Chairman Pierog asked for clarification on the new State law. Hopkinson explained the new law in depth. Hopkinson provided a 2024 budget overview. The Kane County Budget Policy states that no fund reserves will be utilized to balance the budget, with the exception of KDOT and departments whose funding comes from grants. The new budget policy has been put in place in order to balance the budget and increase revenue or cut expenses. Hopkinson noted that the first draft is short by \$5M, and does not include vacant positions. She reviewed the County's tax history. She reviewed other tax options that the County has to balance the budget, such as reallocating the RTA Sales Tax. Hopkinson and Supv. of Assess. Armstrong addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Much discussion ensued.

8. PIO Update (J. Mann)

PIO Mann provided an update on the recent activities of her office. On August 21, 2023, the Kane County Government Center held a Blood Drive. As a result, 21 pints of blood were collected for the American Red Cross. Mann reviewed the numerous articles published in the Kane County Connects Newsletter. The Office of Emergency Management (OEM) National Preparedness Month features an upcoming survey. This survey will be shared with Kane County residents on how the County can improve on emergency preparedness. Mann participated in the Sheriff's Inmate Entrepreneur Plan Pitch Program and the Kane County Farm Tour. She thanked Auditor Wegman for calling her attention to the County's painter, Joel Feliciano, on his work on an Elgin mural to commemorate a respected community member who was killed in a motorcycle accident. Lastly, there will be a ribbon cutting ceremony on Friday, October 13, 2023 for the solar panel field at the Kane County Judicial Center. Mann addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Madam Chairman Pierog thanked PIO Mann for the change in the Kane County Connects Newsletter. The newsletter has become deep in knowledge and highlights the work being done throughout the County.

9. Old Business

None.

10. New Business

Committee Member Kious reminded the Committee that Saturday, September 16, 2023, is "It's Our Fox River Day". Numerous events will be held along the Fox River. He asked the Committee to sign-up, help clean-up the Fox River, and to participate in the events.

11. FY24 Budget Presentations**A. County Board Office**

Madam Chairman Pierog shared two graphs depicting Kane County's Land Use Acres that are Taxable and the Source of Kane County's Property Tax Revenue. With respect to land use, 54% of property is farmland, of which 16% of those are exempt. Business/Industrial is 3% and Commercial is 5% of the land use. All of these properties come with a tax levy. Currently, residential properties pay 76% of the taxes, commercial properties pay 13%, industrial pays 9%, and farm pays 2%. While developing the budget, the Board needs to be aware that residents pay 76% of the County's taxes. Madam Chairman stated that DuPage County's whole tax levy is 4%, which is the same as Kane County. She has been asked numerous times as to why DuPage County seems to have an abundance of money. She explained that DuPage County's commercial sales tax is double the amount of Kane County's, which brings in much higher sales tax revenue. Madam Chairman addressed questions and comments from the Committee.

Madam Chairman presented the Kane County Board's FY24 Proposed Budget Summary. In previous years, she has suggested the County hire a County Administrator. For now, this conversation will be tabled and discussed during next year's budget. For FY24, the total revenue will remain at \$90K. Madam Chairman listed the expenses of the County Board Office. For 2024, the County Board has proposed an expense budget of \$1,190,469. Madam Chairman Pierog addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Discussion ensued on obtaining a County Administrator. Madam Chairman would like a future presentation to be made on the possibility of obtaining a County Administrator. Further discussion ensued.

12. Preliminary County Board Agenda:

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

American Rescue Plan

1. Approving Invoice from Ernst & Young LLP for Professional Services Related to the ARPA Program Rendered from May 1, 2023 to May 31, 2023

Committee Member Sanchez motioned to move the following eight resolutions forward, Kenyon seconded. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

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| RESULT: | MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE |
| TO: | County Board |
| MOVER: | Jarett Sanchez |
| SECONDER: | Michael Kenyon |
| AYE: | Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Mark Davoust, Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, and Vern Tepe |

2. Authorizing the Use of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds for Invoice from Submittable Holdings, Inc. for Web Based Grant Management Portal Hosting Services Rendered from 9/29/2023 to 9/28/2024

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| RESULT: | MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE |
| TO: | County Board |
| MOVER: | Jarett Sanchez |
| SECONDER: | Michael Kenyon |
| AYE: | Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Mark Davoust, Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, and Vern Tepe |

3. Authorizing the Use of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to Fund the Court Training Project for the Kane County Circuit Clerk's Office

County Board

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| MOVER: | Jarett Sanchez |
| SECONDER: | Michael Kenyon |
| AYE: | Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Mark Davoust, Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, and Vern Tepe |

4. Authorizing the Use of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to Fund Zoom Web Conferencing Services for the Kane County Information Technologies Department

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| RESULT: | MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE |
| TO: | County Board |
| MOVER: | Jarett Sanchez |
| SECONDER: | Michael Kenyon |
| AYE: | Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Mark Davoust, Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, and Vern Tepe |

5. Authorizing the Use of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to Fund a Livestock Market Assessment for the Kane County Development and Community Services Department

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| RESULT: | MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE |
| TO: | County Board |
| MOVER: | Jarett Sanchez |
| SECONDER: | Michael Kenyon |
| AYE: | Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Mark Davoust, Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, and Vern Tepe |

6. Authorizing the Use of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to Fund Forest Preserve Zoom Web Conferencing Services for the Kane County Forest Preserve Information Technologies Department

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| RESULT: | MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE |
| TO: | County Board |
| MOVER: | Jarett Sanchez |
| SECONDER: | Michael Kenyon |
| AYE: | Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Mark Davoust, Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, and Vern Tepe |

7. Authorizing the Use of Revenue Recoupment Funds Under the American Rescue Plan Act for the Countywide Water Monitoring Network Project and the Water Sustainability Mapping Project for the Kane County Department of Environmental and Water Resources

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| SECONDER: | Michael Kenyon |
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8. Authorizing the Use of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to Hire Two Staff Members for the American Rescue Plan Program and Fund Associated Expenses

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| TO: | County Board |
| MOVER: | Jarett Sanchez |
| SECONDER: | Michael Kenyon |
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Administrative

1. Approving Purchase of Eight (8) GMC and Four (4) Chevy 2022 ½ Ton Pickup Trucks for the Kane County Division of Transportation

Madam Chairman Pierog asked if there were electric vehicles available for the replacement of these vehicles. Currently, there are not.

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| TO: | County Board |
| MOVER: | Chris Kious |
| SECONDER: | Mavis Bates |
| AYE: | Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Mark Davoust, Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, and Vern Tepe |

County Development

1. Changing the Name of Part of Bliss Road to “Old Bliss Road”

County Board

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| RESULT: | MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE |
| TO: | County Board |
| MOVER: | Ron Ford |
| SECONDER: | Mark Davoust |
| AYE: | Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Mark Davoust, Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, and Vern Tepe |

Finance

1. Approving July 2023 Claims Paid

Committee Member Berman motioned the following twelve resolutions forward, Gumz seconded. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

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| RESULT: | MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE |
| TO: | County Board |
| MOVER: | Dale Berman |
| SECONDER: | Michelle Gumz |
| AYE: | Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Mark Davoust, Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, and Vern Tepe |

2. Authorizing a Budget Adjustment for Desktop Support Analyst II and Systems Administrator Lead for the Information Technologies Department - Public Safety Sales Tax

County Board

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3. Authorizing the Purchase of Additional Laserfiche Licenses and a Budget Adjustment from the Riverboat Fund 390

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4. Authorizing the Extension for the Office Supply Contract

County Board

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5. Authorizing Renewal of Contract for Toner Cartridges

County Board

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| SECONDER: | Michelle Gumz |
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6. Authorizing a Contract for Kane County Concrete Services

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| SECONDER: | Michelle Gumz |
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7. Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement with Whiteside County for Juvenile Detention Services

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8. Authorizing the Replacement of the Chillers at the Judicial Center
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9. Authorizing the Expenditure of Funds for Technology Products and Services
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| MOVER: | Dale Berman |
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10. Ratifying an Emergency Purchase Affidavit to Purchase a 2023 Ford Escape Active for Building Management

Madam Chairman Pierog asked if this new vehicle was electric. ITD/BLD Exec. Dir. Fahnestock stated that this vehicle is not. At the time of purchase, there were no electric vehicles available. However, the remaining vehicles that have to be replaced will be electric.

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11. Kane County Rabies Registration Fees

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12. Approving County Board Personal Expense Voucher Reimbursement Request
County Board

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| MOVER: | Dale Berman |
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Human Services

1. Adopting a Recruitment Policy to the Personnel Policy Handbook
County Board

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| MOVER: | Clifford Surges |
| SECONDER: | Dale Berman |
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Judicial/Public Safety**1. Supporting the Implementation of Ethan's Law**

Committee Member Molina stated that an amendment was made at the Judicial/Public Safety Committee that would change the word "Authorizing" to "Supporting".

Committee Member Lewis thanked the Committee for adopting this resolution. She spoke on the need of this legislation. Madam Chairman Pierog asked for a copy of the actual bill. Committee Member Gumz stated she would get a copy of HR-748 to include in the County Board Meeting agenda. Gumz explained that she is seeking full support on this resolution at the County Board Meeting. (Committee Member Sanchez left at 10:58 a.m.)

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| RESULT: | MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE |
| TO: | County Board |
| MOVER: | Myrna Molina |
| SECONDER: | Michelle Gumz |
| AYE: | Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Mark Davoust, Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, and Vern Tepe |

Public Health**1. Authorizing Personnel Hiring to Increase Behavioral Health, Community Health and Environmental Health Services**

Committee Member Strathmann motioned the following two resolutions forward, Kenyon seconded. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

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| MOVER: | Cherryl Strathmann |
| SECONDER: | Michael Kenyon |
| AYE: | Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Mark Davoust, Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, and Vern Tepe |

2. Authorizing Execution of Agreement with Metopio Approved by Resolution 23-291

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| SECONDER: | Michael Kenyon |
| AYE: | Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Mark Davoust, Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, and Vern Tepe |

Transportation

1. Approving Adopt-A-Highway Applicants

Committee Member Davoust motioned to move the following two resolutions forward, Ford seconded. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

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| MOVER: | Mark Davoust |
| SECONDER: | Ron Ford |
| AYE: | Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Mark Davoust, Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, and Vern Tepe |

2. Approving a Contract for Construction with A.C. Pavement Striping Co. of Elgin, Illinois for Allen Road Chip Seal Improvement, Kane County Section No. 23-00000-06-GM

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| MOVER: | Mark Davoust |
| SECONDER: | Ron Ford |
| AYE: | Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Mark Davoust, Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, and Vern Tepe |

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

1. Directing the Use of the Consumer Price Index Increase in the County Budget Process as Addressed in the Kane County Board Fiscal Year 2024 Budget Policy

Committee Member Berman introduced this resolution. Fin. Exec. Dir. Hopkinson explained that this resolution is apart of the new Budget Policy. The County Board votes to authorize the use of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) or the Property Tax Extension Law Limit (PTELL) within the budget. This resolution does not authorize a tax levy increase. Madam Chairman Pierog clarified that the Budget Policy was passed this year for the 2024 budget. She reminded the Committee the Budget Policy is a guideline for the preparation of departmental input to the annual budget. Madam Chairman read aloud a section of the Budget Policy. This policy was passed unanimously by all that were present at that County Board meeting.

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| MOVER: | Dale Berman |
| SECONDER: | Michelle Gumz |
| AYE: | Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Mark Davoust, Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, and Vern Tepe |

2. Approving the 2024 Monthly Health and Dental Contributions

Committee Member Surges introduced this resolution. HRM Exec. Dir. Lobrillo explained that this resolution would approve the insurance rate sheet based on the Blue Cross Blue Shield (BCBS) provider rates. The rates are a calculation of a 83/17 percent aggregate split. Lobrillo addressed questions and comments from the Committee.

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| TO: | County Board |
| MOVER: | Clifford Surges |
| SECONDER: | Michael Kenyon |
| AYE: | Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Mark Davoust, Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, and Vern Tepe |
| ABSTAIN: | Clifford Surges |

3. Amending Ordinance 23-77 and Section 2-47 of the Kane County Code to Allow for Remote Attendance at Meetings

Committee Member Gumz introduced this resolution. This resolution is in compliance with the amendment of State Law. The amendment is to include the reason of childcare in order to attend Committee meetings remotely. Additionally, the attendance line phone number has been removed from the original policy.

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| MOVER: | Michelle Gumz |
| SECONDER: | Ron Ford |
| AYE: | Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Mark Davoust, Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, and Vern Tepe |

4. Authorizing an Agreement for the Construction of an Accessible Ramp at the Kane County Sheriff's Office

Committee Member Kenyon inquired about a ramp. Committee Member Kious explained his personal experience when utilizing the stairs at the Sheriff's Office. ITD/BLD Exec. Dir. Fahnestock explained the current conditions of the walkway at the Sheriff's Office. It has been requested by numerous departments that an ADA ramp be constructed that would be more accessible to constituents. Currently, the public would need to use the stairs, the "S" curved sidewalk, or get permission to go through the jail. With constructing an ADA certified ramp, these issues would be solved. Fahnestock shared a proposed site plan map depicting the location of the ADA ramp. Madam Chairman Pierog asked about the plants surrounding the ramp. She would like native plants to be planted once the construction has concluded. Fahnestock addressed additional questions and comments from the Committee. Discussion ensued.

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| MOVER: | Chris Kious |
| SECONDER: | Michelle Gumz |
| AYE: | Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Mark Davoust, Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, and Vern Tepe |

13. Executive Session (If Needed)

None.

14. Committee Reports

Legislative Co-Chair Gumz announced a Special Legislative Meeting being held on Friday, September 8, 2023. This meeting would include a meet and greet of the Kane County lobbyist team from McGuireWoods. She requested that the Board attend the meeting.

Judicial/Public Safety Committee Chairman Molina explained that the Committee would be holding an additional meeting for lengthy budget presentations. The future time and date of the meeting will be published shortly.

15. Public Comment (Non-Agenda Items)

All public comments were heard at the beginning of the meeting.

16. Adjournment

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| RESULT: | APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE |
| MOVER: | Michael Kenyon |
| SECONDER: | Mark Davoust |

This meeting was adjourned at 11:22 AM.

Savannah Valdez
Recording Secretary