



Kane County County Board Meeting Minutes

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

Tuesday, December 9, 2025

9:45 AM

County Board Room

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Adjourned Meeting of the Kane County Board was held at the Kane County Government Center, 719 S. Batavia Ave., Bldg. A, Geneva, IL 60134 on December 9, 2025.

Vice Chair Roth called the meeting to order at 9:45 AM.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT:	Board Member Alex Arroyo Board Member Mavis Bates Board Member Sonia Garcia Board Member Jon Gripe Board Member Michelle Gumz Board Member Mo Iqbal Board Member Leslie Juby Board Member Chris Kious Board Member Bill Lenert Board Member Anita Lewis Board Member Michael Linder Board Member Myrna Molina Board Member Ted Penesis Board Member Bill Roth Board Member Jarett Sanchez Board Member Cherryl Strathmann Board Member Bill Tarver Board Member Vern Tepe Board Member Rick Williams Board Member David Young
REMOTE:	Board Member Gary Daugherty Board Member Clifford Surges
ABSENT:	Chairman Corinne M. Pierog
AWAY:	Board Member Deborah Allan

Present: Auditor Wegman; State's Atty. Mosser*; Animal Control Admin. Youngsteadt*; KDOT staff Rickert; SAO Chief of Civil Frank; Treasurer Lauzen; Chief Dpty. Clk. Weilandt; SAO Fin. Dir. Hunt*; ITD Exec. Dir. Fahnstock & staff Lasky*, Peters; Dpty. Clk. Mazzei and members of the press & public.

3. REMOTE ATTENDANCE REQUESTS

Members Daugherty* and Surges* requested to attend this meeting remotely. There were no objections.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & INVOCATION

Member Linder led the assembly with the recital of the Pledge of Allegiance and said the invocation.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: November 10, 2025

RESULT:	APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT
MOVER:	Chris Kious

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Wilma Van Aragon from Batavia commended the board for passing Resolution 25-450. She elaborated on how much prohibiting ICE from utilizing county property for their recent tactics has meant to her personally.

Kane County resident Steve Lefler requested that the board assist in getting Union Pacific to release abandoned lines in St. Charles.

Kane County resident Ginger Romano expressed her concern with county spending.

Denise Theobald from Geneva shared a recent experience at the Kane County Judicial Center, which provoked further concern over recent ICE tactics.

Treasurer Lauzen presented an itemized breakdown of county taxes as they relate to small business owners.

7. CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

- A. Kane County Emergency Telephone Systems Board (Kane ETSB) Appointments [TMP-25-1476](#)

RESULT:	APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE
MOVER:	Myrna Molina
SECONDER:	Michelle Gumz
AYE:	Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Gary Daugherty, Sonia Garcia, Jon Gripe, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Ted Penesis, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, and David Young
AWAY:	Deborah Allan

- B. PACE FY2026 Budget (Director/Mayor Jeff Schielke) [TMP-25-1475](#)

Batavia Mayor Shielke spoke on the state of public transportation within the county, as well as a number of future plans for efficiency.

RESULT: INFORMATIONAL ONLY

- C. RTA FY2026 Budget (Director Chris Groven/Exec. Dir. Leanne Redden) [TMP-25-1480](#)

RTA Bd. Dir. Groven highlighted fund allocations, as well as future plans. RTA Bd. Exec. Dir. Redden presented a further breakdown of estimated revenue and projected uses for funds. (Allan arrives - 10:24 AM) Discussion ensued regarding grant language and rider cost visuals.

RESULT: INFORMATIONAL ONLY

- D. Metra FY2026 Budget (Director Joe McMahon) [TMP-25-1505](#)

Metra Dir. McMahon presented their 2026 operating budget. He highlighted a few changes from his original presentation due to legislation not having been passed at the time. He noted the upcoming end of COVID relief funding, as well as a projected increase in ridership. Discussion ensued.

RESULT: INFORMATIONAL ONLY

8. CONSENT AGENDA/OMNIBUS VOTE

Vice Chair Roth asked if anyone would like to remove an item from the Consent Agenda. No items were removed.

----- **CONSENT AGENDA** -----

Authorizing a Contract Extension for Kane County HVAC Maintenance & Repair Services with 1 Source Mechanical, Inc., Hartwig Mechanical, Inc., Air Comfort, LLC, R.J. O'Neil, Inc., and F.E. Moran, Inc. Mechanical Services for the Building Management Department (BID# 23-007) [25-454](#)

Authorizing Natural Gas Utility Brokering and Purchase Agreement [25-455](#)

Authorizing the Use of the State of Illinois Contract to Purchase Hardware & Services Through Presidio's JPMC VOIP & Cisco Equipment and Services Contract for the Information Technologies Department (Contract# CMT4021089) [25-456](#)

Authorizing the Use of the State of Illinois Contract to Purchase Software & Services Through Presidio's JPMC VOIP & Cisco Equipment and Services Contract for the Information Technologies Department (Contract# CMT4021089) [25-457](#)

Authorizing a Master License Agreement with VertiGIS Software for GIS	<u>25-458</u>
Approving the Purchase of Five (5) 2026 Tandem Axle Truck Cab and Chassis for the Kane County Division of Transportation	<u>25-459</u>
Authorizing Kane-Elgin Home Consortium Affordable Housing Fund Program Year 2025 Projects	<u>25-460</u>
Approving Personal Expense Voucher Reimbursement Requests	<u>25-461</u>
Approving October 2025 Claims Paid	<u>25-462</u>
Authorizing Magellan Healthcare, Inc. as Kane County's Employee Assistance Plan Provider for 2026	<u>25-463</u>
Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement with Jefferson County for Juvenile Detention Services	<u>25-464</u>
Authorizing Second Extension and Scope of Work Adjustment to Professional Service Agreement for 2026 Recycling Center and Event Staffing and Operations	<u>25-465</u>
Authorizing an Agreement with the Village of West Dundee and eWorks Electronics Services, Inc. for Operation of the West Dundee Recycling Center in 2026	<u>25-466</u>
Approving FY25 Transfer of Appropriation and Budget Adjustment for Fund #558 North Impact Fees, Fund #559 Central Impact Fees, Fund #560 South Impact Fees, and Fund #300 County Highway	<u>25-467</u>
Acceptance and Use of Trust Donation Made to Animal Control	<u>25-468</u>
Authorizing Execution of Collective Bargaining Agreement for Kane County Clerk	<u>25-469</u>
Authorizing an Interfund Loan for the Payment of Program Expenses from the General Fund for the Workforce Development Department in Instances Where Funding Agreements or Reimbursements are Delayed	<u>25-470</u>
Authorizing an Interfund Loan for the Payment of Program Expenses from the General Fund for the Development Department in Instances Where Funding Agreements or Reimbursements are Delayed	<u>25-471</u>
Amending Resolution 25-417	<u>25-472</u>

- Abating the Taxes Heretofore Levied for the Year 2025 to Pay Debt Service on \$7,670,000 General Obligation Alternate Bonds (Riverboat Revenue Alternate Revenue Source) Series 2010 of the County of Kane, Illinois [25-473](#)

- Abating the Taxes Heretofore Levied for the Year 2025 to Pay Debt Service on \$13,130,000 General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) Series 2020 of the County of Kane, Illinois [25-474](#)

- Authorizing Addition of an Employee Performance Evaluation Policy to the Personnel Policy Handbook [25-475](#)

- Notification of Renewal of Sex Offender Treatment Services [25-476](#)

- Establishing Public Hearing Date for Consideration of Land Use Assumptions for Road Improvement Impact Fee Ordinance Update [25-477](#)

- Adopting Revised Fees for Oversize and Overweight Vehicles [25-478](#)

- Approving an Amendment to the County of Kane - Blackberry Township Road District - Union Pacific Railroad Company Wayside Horn Agreement (Brundige Road) [25-479](#)

- Approving an Amendment to the County of Kane - Union Pacific Railroad Company Wayside Horn Agreement (LaFox Road) [25-480](#)

- Approving an Agreement for Phase I Engineering Services with GFT Infrastructure, Inc. of Schaumburg, Illinois for the Burlington Road at Silver Glen Road Intersection Improvement, Kane County Section No. 25-00584-00-CH [25-481](#)

- Approving Acquisition of Real Property for Randall Road at Hopps Road Intersection and CNRR Grade Separation Improvement, Kane County Section No. 19-00511-00-CH, Parcel No. 0007 [25-482](#)

RESULT: **APPROVED THE CONSENT AGENDA**

MOVER: Rick Williams

SECONDER: Alex Arroyo

AYE: Deborah Allan, Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Gary Daugherty, Sonia Garcia, Jon Gripe, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Ted Penesis, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, and David Young

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

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION (if needed)

Vice Chairman entertained a motion to go into closed discussion to discuss the settlement of claims and potential litigation. The Board entered into closed session at 10:53 AM.

RESULT:	APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE
MOVER:	Chris Kious
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Gary Daugherty, Sonia Garcia, Jon Gripe, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Ted Penesis, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Rick Williams
AWAY:	Deborah Allan, Bill Tarver, and David Young

10. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The board returned to open session at 10:56 AM. The roll was called and a quorum was present.

11. ZONING PETITIONS

A. Petition # 4673 Petitioner: CFP IL Orchard Solar, LLC [TMP-25-1399](#)

Member Williams invited Member Iqbal to address this petition, as he recused himself due to a conflict of interest.

Dev. Dir. VanKerkhoff introduced the following petition and invited questions. Discussion ensued regarding project condensing, electricity generation and allocation.

Greenfield Power Lead Developer, Gary Linos, highlighted project benefits, including economic investment in the community. He addressed the few objections received, citing zoning reports and special use standards being met. He noted that although Sugar Grove had objected, the village has not responded to their submitted response some months ago.

Landowner Scott Jepson expressed his consent and support of this petition, stressing that their family will continue farming alongside the solar field, as it would not be obtrusive. Much discussion ensued.

RESULT:	APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE
MOVER:	Bill Tarver
SECONDER:	Chris Kious

AYE:	Deborah Allan, Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Gary Daugherty, Sonia Garcia, Jon Gripe, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Ted Penesis, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, and Vern Tepe
ABSTAIN:	Bill Lenert
AWAY:	Rick Williams, and David Young

12. RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, AND OTHER SCHEDULED MATTERS

- A. Amending Section 2-48 of the Kane County Code to Provide for Management of Department Heads by Committees [25-445](#)

RESULT:	APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE
MOVER:	Clifford Surges
SECONDER:	Bill Lenert
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Gary Daugherty, Sonia Garcia, Jon Gripe, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Ted Penesis, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, and Rick Williams
AWAY:	David Young

- B. Approving County Board Personal Expense Voucher Reimbursement Request [25-483](#)

RESULT:	APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE
MOVER:	Bill Roth
SECONDER:	Cherryl Strathmann
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Gary Daugherty, Sonia Garcia, Jon Gripe, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Ted Penesis, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, and Rick Williams
AWAY:	David Young

- C. Approving and Authorizing Termination of Office Lease at 1750 Grandstand Place, Suite 2, Elgin, Illinois, 60123

[25-484](#)

RESULT:	APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE
MOVER:	Cherryl Strathmann
SECONDER:	Chris Kious
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Gary Daugherty, Sonia Garcia, Jon Gripe, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Ted Penesis, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, and Rick Williams
AWAY:	David Young

13. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Vice Chair Roth requested to move one item of New Business just prior to Public Comment and there were no objections.

Member Daugherty announced that he will be resigning before the end of the year . He thanked all board members, stating that he doesn't find it appropriate to maintain his position given his health. A number of board members expressed their gratitude for Member Daugherty's service.

Chief Dpty. Clk. Weilandt announced that the County Clerk's Office will be hosting a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new satellite location in Elgin on December 17 at 11:00am. She invited all to come and thanked everyone for their support.

Member Bates invited Members to lunch, following this meeting.

14. COMMITTEE UPDATES

Member Gumz announced that the Legislative Committee members will be having a special meeting for a specific resolution, date to be announced .

Member Bates reminded everyone that there will be a Special Committee of the Whole December 10 at 12:00pm, where solar panel possibilities for the Fabyan property will be discussed.

Member Kious announced that the jail and kitchen renovation have begun from the capital fund. Additionally, the gun range and HVAC system replacement are underway, as well. He noted holiday decorations. Discussion ensued.

15. ADJOURNMENT TO TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2026

RESULT:	APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE
MOVER:	Gary Daugherty
SECONDER:	Michelle Gumz

This meeting was adjourned at 11:30 AM.

Christine Mazzei
Deputy Clerk