



Kane County

KC Public Service Committee

Meeting Minutes

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

SANCHEZ, Young, Gumz, Lewis, Surges, Tepe, Williams & Pierog (ex-officio Chair)

Thursday, April 18, 2024

9:00 AM

County Board Room

1. Call To Order

Chairman Sanchez called today's meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. He announced that there was no in-person quorum. Therefore, no votes could be taken. This meeting was informational and for discussion only.

2. Roll Call

PRESENT	Board Member Jarett Sanchez Board Member Anita Lewis Board Member Vern Tepe
REMOTE	Board Member David Young Board Member Michelle Gumz Board Member Clifford Surges Board Member Rick Williams
ABSENT	Ex-Officio County Board Chair Corinne M. Pierog

Also present: Co. Bd. members Bates*, Juby, Kious*, Kenyon, Molina*; KCAC Youngsteadt*; Treasurer Lauzen; SOA Armstrong; ROE Supt. Dal Santo & staff Oliver; Co. Clk. staff Pollock; VAC Supt. Assistant Nathan Johnson; ITD staff Peters; and members of the press and public.

3. Remote Attendance Requests

Chairman Sanchez announced the remote attendance requests for today's meeting. He asked the Committee if there were any objections to Committee Members Gumz, Surges, Williams and Young attending today's meeting remotely. There were no objections.

4. Approval of Minutes: March 21, 2024

There was no in-person quorum for today's meeting. No votes could be taken.

5. Public Comment (Agenda Items)

None.

6. Public Comment (Non-Agenda Items)

Committee Member Young stated that at last month's Public Service Committee meeting, a Proclamation to oppose Non-Citizen voting was passed. He believes that it should have been put on the full County Board meeting in April. Young questioned which part of the proclamation triggered negative reactions, and wondered why go against the will of the people by not wanting it on the County Board agenda. Young highlighted specific statements within the proclamation, which he speculates to be the reason for these reactions, and lead to censorship. He referenced that Illinois State Senator, District 12, Celina Villanueva, proposed a legislation, which would permit non-citizens to register and vote in school board elections. Young recounted that he has tried contacting Villanueva four times with no response.

7. Finance**A. Monthly Report (attached)**

The monthly reports are on file. No additional report was made.

8. Recorder**A. Monthly Report (attached)**

The monthly reports are on file. No additional report was made.

9. Treasurer / Collector**A. Monthly Report (attached)**

Treasurer Lauzen stated that the reports are on file and were submitted a week ago. He recognized Senior accounting specialist, Carlos Mada, who had just celebrated 28 years working for Kane County. He spoke on Carlos' pro-improvement attitude and how protective he is of his staff members. Lauzen then recognized Veronica Mada's excellent customer service skills and how fortunate the treasuring team is to work with her.

10. Supervisor of Assessments**A. Monthly Report (attached)**

SOA Armstrong stated that on March 5, 2024, the Illinois Department of Revenue certified an equalization factor of 1.0000 for Kane County's 2023 (payable 2024) assessment roll. This means that the Department has certified that no further changes are needed for the assessment roll for this year. Armstrong indicated that on March 18, 2024, the Kane County Assessment Office began its work for the 2024 taxable year by certifying 16 projected equalization factors for the Kane County Township Assessors.

11. Regional Office of Education

ROE Supt. Dal reminded the Committee that the Educator of the Year Award event will be held on May 3, 2024. Individuals who are attending will be receiving a parking pass to park closer to the building. Dal Santo stated that there will be 56 nominations this year. Every school district will be represented with at least one nominee.

12. Veteran's Assistance Commission**A. Monthly Report (attached)**

VAC Superintendent Assistant Nathan Johnson stated that the monthly reports were on file. The State of Illinois currently has 23,961 claims pending, with 419 being from Kane County. In the month of February, 64 compensation claims were filed. There was a total of two applications filed for "Ride in Kane" program. Johnson announced that on April 22, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. a Veteran's graduation ceremony will be held at the St. Charles courthouse, in courtroom 201. On April 26, 2024 a Senior health and wellness fair will be held at Elgin Community College, in Building E, from 10:00 a.m to 2:00 p.m. Lastly, Johnson announced that the American Legion Post 679 and True Patriot Care are presenting the "Wall That heals." This is a Vietnam Veterans Memorial replica and mobile education center. This will be held at Randall Oaks Park, West Dundee, Illinois, May 24 to May 27, 2024.

13. County Clerk**A. Monthly Report (attached)**

Co. Clk. staff Pollock stated that the monthly reports were on file. He announced that the March Primary Canvass has been certified, and the results are on the website. Elected officials should have received a statement of economic interest notification a few weeks ago. Those need to be completed before Wednesday, May 1st, 2024.

B. Repealing Section 14-2 of the Kane County Code (Licenses for Raffles) and Replacing it with a New Section 14-2: Licenses for Raffles and Poker Runs.

There was no in-person quorum for today's meeting. No votes could be taken.

14. Other Business

None.

15. Executive Session (If Needed)

None.

16. Reports Placed On File

There was no in-person quorum for today's meeting. No votes could be taken.

17. Adjournment

There was no in-person quorum for today's meeting. No votes could be taken.

This meeting was adjourned at 9:37 a.m.

Rachel Santora
Recording Secretary