



Kane County

KC Executive Committee

Meeting Minutes

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

PIEROG, Allan, Bates, Gumz, Juby, Kious, Lenert, Lewis, Linder, Molina, Sanchez, Strathmann, Surges, Tepe, Williams and ex-officio Roth (County Vice Chair)

Wednesday, November 5, 2025

9:00 AM

County Board Room

1. Call to Order

Chairman Pierog called the meeting to order at 9:01 AM.

2. Roll Call

PRESENT	Chairman Corinne M. Pierog Board Member Deborah Allan Board Member Mavis Bates Board Member Michelle Gumz Board Member Leslie Juby Board Member Chris Kious Board Member Bill Lenert Board Member Anita Lewis Board Member Michael Linder Board Member Jarett Sanchez Board Member Cheryl Strathmann Board Member Vern Tepe Ex-Officio County Board Vice Chair Bill Roth
REMOTE	Board Member Myrna Molina Board Member Clifford Surges
ABSENT	Board Member Rick Williams

Also present: Co. Bd. members Gripe, Penesis*; Fin. Exec. Dir. Hopkinson; PIO Mann; ITD/BLD Exec. Dir. Fahnestock & staff Lasky*, Smith, Peters; HRM Exec. Dir. Loblillo; SAO Chief of Civil Frank; Auditor Wegman; KCAC Admin. Youngsteadt*; KDOT Dir. Zakosek & staff Rickert; Environ. & Water Res. Dir. Wollnik & staff Powell; Dev. Asst. Dir. Dall*; KCSO Laboratory Dir. Ware; and members of the press and public.

(Committee Member Allan arrived remotely at 9:02 a.m.)

3. Remote Attendance Requests

Chairman Pierog announced the remote attendance requests for today's meeting. She asked the Committee if there were any objections to Committee Members Molina and Surges attending today's meeting remotely. There were no objections.

4. Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Pierog asked Committee Member Gumz to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. Approval of Minutes: October 8, 2025 & October 22, 2025

RESULT:	APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz

6. Public Comment

Vicky Davidson-Bell, Geneva, stated that she has listened to County Board meetings' public comments for some time. Each time she hears constituents say that the County Board needs to balance the budget with no increase to revenue. Davidson-Bell explained that her property tax bill of 4% that goes to the County is approximately \$400. She advised constituents to look at their tax bill to see where their money goes, such as the city townships, park districts, and the schools. (Committee Member Sanchez arrived 9:04 a.m.) She explained that former County Board Chairman Lauzen did not raise taxes, but allowed the County's infrastructure to become outdated. She stated that Lauzen did not keep up facilities. All while, patting himself on the back for not raising taxes. Davidson-Bell explained that several County facilities do not meet current fire and life safety requirements, building codes, and accessibility challenges. She stated that the lack of stewardship by Lauzen served to delay what needed to be done and has left the County in a bad financial state. She explained that Lauzen was short-sighted and used poor judgment. She mentioned that local businesses are struggling to keep their doors open, while many cannot afford to eat at restaurants or shop. She stated that the current inflation is above three percent. She explained that businesses cannot stay afloat, due to increased cost of supplies because of tariff taxes. She stated that tariffs and poor management of the needs of the American people results in food and other needs costing more. She noted that the economy has been failing since January 2025, which was directly caused by the tariffs. She explained that the average household will pay \$2,400 per year for the tariff taxes. She stated that she does not hear constituents complain about the tariff taxes that were forced on the American people by one man, while taking away people's benefits. Davidson-Bell explained that the cost for health care is significantly rising, so that billionaires can have reduced taxes. This will cause fewer people to be insured and force others to pay for the uninsured health care. Davidson-Bell wondered why those complaining about county taxes are not saying the same about tariff taxes.

Kane County resident, Ginger Romano, spoke on the financials of public safety, and the lack of a known discount. (Committee Member Kious arrived in-person at 9:07 a.m.) Referencing the Flock cameras, she explained that the license plate readers are an invasion of privacy and against the Fourth Amendment. She noted that the data collected from these cameras is available to those who subscribe, including the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Agency. She explained that it seems the Illinois legislator does not care about their own party, due to them bailing out Metra at the constituents' expense. She stated that while costs are increasing, the State of Illinois is also taxing their citizens out. Romano spoke on the Legislative Committee's resolution regarding the support of immigrant rights, human dignity, and fair reform in Kane County, Illinois. She stated that this resolution is a slap in the face to legal tax paying citizens. Referencing the Transportation Committee's resolutions, she stated

that the Kane County Division of Transportation has requested the purchase of four more tandem axle trucks, when they just purchased six trucks previously. Romano spoke on the Transportation Committee's resolution pertaining to the French/Harmony extension improvements from IL Route 72 to Allen Road. Lastly, she stated that the agreement to the French/Harmony extension improvement project entails a contractor being allowed to hire sub-consultants. She spoke on the multiple car accidents that have occurred on Route 72. Lastly, she asked if the County needs an Interim Director of the Workforce Development Division at the unbudgeted cost of not to exceed \$50K.

Kane County resident, Frank Esposito, spoke on Resolution TMP-25-1279: Resolution in Support of Immigrant Rights, Human Dignity, and Fair Reform in Kane County, Illinois. Referencing page 978 of the Executive Committee agenda packet, he addressed the forth WHEREAS clause that stated, "WHEREAS, reports and community accounts have documented aggressive Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) actions in Illinois communities - including near schools and workplaces - creating fear and trauma among residents. He requested that supporting documentation be included backing this claim. Esposito addressed the fifth WHEREAS clause, which stated, "WHEREAS, such actions erode public trust, discourage residents from reporting crimes or accessing services, and disproportionately target individuals based on race, ethnicity, or perceived immigration status". He questioned if this was true, due to no supportive documentation being provided. Esposito stated that he is not in agreement with this resolution. Additionally, he explained that the FY2026 Budget that appears on the County website is difficult to sort through and read. He requested that the information be shared differently to make it easier to comprehend. Lastly, Esposito asked if the page numbers could be placed on the agenda to make it easier to find a document.

Michelle Bettag, St. Charles, spoke on the resolution pertaining to the support of immigrant rights. She stated that the founding fathers of Kane County would be upset to see the numerous social and political agenda items. Bettag explained that the County has a massive budget crisis, but they have only presented resolutions to increase taxes on County residents. She voiced her discernment with the social and political agenda items that are being voted upon month after month. She spoke on the Kane County Board Chair's job responsibilities, such as balancing the budget. She urged the County Board to figure out the real problems in Kane County and to stop making these issues political.

Kane County resident, Jenine Mehr, spoke on the Legislative resolution that supports immigrant rights, human dignity, and fair reform in Kane County, Illinois. She stated that as this resolution sounds compassionate, it is important to recognize the limits of what this could do. She explained that county government does not have the authority to override or reinterpret federal immigration law. The United States Constitution clearly establishes immigration policy as a federal jurisdiction under article one, section eight, not a county or a municipality. Mehr stated that this resolution is purely symbolic. It will not change enforcement priorities, ICE authority, or modify the legal obligations of local law enforcement under federal statute. Mehr stated that this resolution sends a political signal. A signal that could be misunderstood by residents as a operational policy shift,

when legally it is not one. Despite good intentions, these gestures have no legal weight and often cause confusion among residents and law enforcement about what local government could or could not enforce. Mehr stated that Kane County should avoid this trap. She explained that if this government body truly wished to advocate for immigration reform, they should speak to congress. She stated that the job of the Kane County Board is to manage the County's financials, maintain infrastructure, and obtain public safety. She explained that the County Board spending time and energy on the facade of authority on immigration is a childish exercise, when the County faces serious budget deficit and growing fiscal pressures. She stated that every minute that is debated on something that has no lasting affect for the County is a minute that could have been used to address the real fiscal challenges. (Committee Ex-Officio Roth arrived in-person at 9:16 a.m.) Lastly, she explained that symbolic government is not responsible government. She stated that passing a resolution that sounds good but does nothing, erodes the public's trust. She explained that people expect action that matters, not statements that pretend to. Real leadership focuses on the duties that fall within their power, such as balancing the budget, protecting taxpayers, and ensuring that Kane County runs efficiently and lawfully. Mehr stated that the Committee could make a statement with passing this resolution, but hoped members would make the right decision in voicing that this Board stands for the rule of law, honest government, and for using authority where it truly exists.

Brian Anderson, Sugar Grove, spoke on the FY2026 Budget, as presented. He stated that it is the job of the County Board Chairman to keep the main thing the priority. He spoke on the tax levies that were recently passed by the Finance Committee. He stated that at the next County Board meeting, a balanced budget will need to be presented. He noted that once the FY2026 Budget is completed, the real financial hurdle begins in the new budget cycle for FY2027. Anderson spoke on the Legislative resolution pertaining to immigrant rights, human dignity, and fair reform in Kane County. He stated that Kane County should respect all law abiding residents and uphold the rule of law. Kane County needs to prioritize local issues and avoid symbolic political statements that overstep the County's authority. Anderson stated that Kane County officials do not have the authority to influence the enforcement of immigration reform. He mentioned that this resolution amounts to political messaging, rather than practical policy. He urged the Board to stay out of what is going on in Washington D.C., because there is nothing Kane County can do. He stated that this resolution provides an unclear definition of immigration rights, but it does not define whether it pertains to legal immigrants and/or refugees to those in the County, unlawfully. From his perspective, this resolution is a distraction from the priorities. Anderson stated that the Kane County leader should focus on fiscal responsibility and administrative accountability, not symbolic national debates. Lastly, he mentioned that in article six, clause two of the United States Constitution it stated that federal law overrides state and county. He urged the Committee to focus on what they were elected to do.

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

Fin. Exec. Dir. Hopkinson stated the monthly financial reports were on file. She presented the General Fund - General Account Key Indicators. She stated that the County's General Fund has an expense budget of \$144M. To date, the General Fund has expended \$115M, which is five percent below what was expected. She explained that the area running below expected is the personnel services through the Sheriff's Office, Court Services Department, County Clerk's Office, and the Circuit Clerk's Office. (Committee Member Surges arrived remotely at 9:23 a.m.) With respect to the contractual services expenses, the Information Technologies Department (ITD) and countywide ITD contractual expenses are running slightly below budget. Hopkinson cautioned the Committee by stating that a lot of vendor payments will be submitted by the end of the year, which will cause expenses to decrease. She noted that the final numbers would be available in January 2026. She stated that revenue is running above what was expected. She explained that the General Fund's revenue budget for FY2025 was \$116.4M. At this point in the year, the County has received \$101M, which is two percent above expectations. Hopkinson reported that the County budgeted to use \$27M of the General Fund's reserves. However, at this point in the year, the County has utilized \$13.7M. Hopkinson presented the Tax Revenue Key Indicators. She stated that the overall sales tax revenue is running above expected and above last year. She explained that last year, the overall sales tax was \$19M. This year, the County has \$21.2M. She stated that the Local Use Tax revenue was \$1M less than last year, due to a change in State law. Hopkinson stated that the Regional Transit Authority (RTA) Sales Tax revenue is above last year and what was expected. The State Income revenue is down. However, this tax does not come in uniformly each month, which makes it difficult to forecast. Hopkinson stated that the Personal Property Replacement Tax revenue is below last year and slightly above expectations. Hopkinson addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Discussion ensued.

8. PIO Update (J. Mann)

PIO Mann provided an update on the activities of her office. She mentioned that there will be a Roundtable Discussion on Friday, November 7, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. at the Northern Illinois Food Bank offices. She stated that the discussion will cover year-round issues of hunger in the community and the loss reduction delay in SNAP benefits. Mann reported that the County hosted the American Red Cross for a blood drive. She mentioned that the goal of the outreach was 25 units of blood. However, they were able to collect 36 units, which has the potential to save 105 lives. Mann explained that the Illinois Tollway will be hosting a community outreach event on December 10, 2025 in Kane County. She mentioned that the County, along with Mattie's Mitten March, is having a Cold Weather Clothing Drive on November 10, 2025 through December 5, 2025. She explained that several boxes will be placed throughout the County for collections. Mann stated that she is continuing to work on a Kane County Government brochure. She thanked County Board Member Gripe for his input. She stated that the

Kane County Transportation Division (KDOT) will be holding their annual Snowplow Naming Contest in December 2025. For more information, please visit the KDOT website or Kane County Connects. Lastly, Mann stated that the Kane County Connects newsletter is sent out twice a week, which includes all of the activities of the County.

Chairman Pierog spoke on the Northern Illinois Food Bank's Roundtable Discussion and invited all members to attend.

9. Old Business

HRM Exec. Dir. Loblillo provided an update on the County's Liability Insurance. She stated that the decision on the County's Liability Insurance would need to be passed by the County Board by December 1, 2025. She explained that the County's insurance agent is still working on the final quotes. She noted that insurance rates have increased. Therefore, the County's renewal cost is expected to be seven percent higher. Loblillo explained that the County's Insurance Broker has been looking into other options to bring this increase down. She stated that the County has used Safety National as their primary liability carrier for many years, as they have been the lowest bidder. However, there is a new A-rated company that has been entering Illinois that the County's broker has been looking into that could potentially save \$150K on the premium. Loblillo stated that the initial quotes were high, but she hopes to have the final numbers presented at the next County Board meeting.

Committee Member Surges stated that the new liability carrier is rated as an A-, which still meets that County's threshold. He explained that this carrier is not someone that the County has used in the past. However, with the potential of a \$150K savings, he believes that County should look into them and take it into consideration. Loblillo addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Much discussion ensued.

10. New Business

None.

11. Preliminary County Board Agenda:

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

Administration

A. Authorizing Updated Capital Projects from the Capital Fund

Committee Member Kious explained the he would like to introduce resolution A, D, E, and H separately, move B and C together, and F and G together. (Committee Member Allan arrived in-person at 9:43 a.m.)

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Chris Kious
SECONDER:	Mavis Bates
AYE:	Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams
AWAY:	Deborah Allan

- B. Authorizing a Contract Extension with F.E. Moran, Inc. for Kane County Building Automation System (BAS) & Repair Services (BID# 52-021)
County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Chris Kious
SECONDER:	Cherryl Strathmann
AYE:	Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams
AWAY:	Deborah Allan

- C. Authorizing a Contract Extension for a Water Testing Firm for the Judicial Center Campus with Phigenics Independent Water Management of Warrenville, IL (RFQ# 22-009)

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Chris Kious
SECONDER:	Cherryl Strathmann
AYE:	Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams
AWAY:	Deborah Allan

- D. Authorizing Additional Funds for Lawn and Maintenance Services for Kane County Facilities with Ratliff Landscaping, Inc. (BID #40-020)

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Chris Kious
SECONDER:	Leslie Juby
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

- E. Authorizing a Contract for the Building Management Department with Lite Construction, Inc. for the Kane County Adult Justice Center Kitchen & Laundry Improvements (BID# 25-009-TL)

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Chris Kious
SECONDER:	Mavis Bates
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

Chairman Pierog inquired about when the work would start at the Kane County Adult Justice Center's kitchen and laundry room.

ITD/BLD Exec. Dir. Fahnestock stated that the heating and air conditioning work at the Kane County Adult Justice Center has begun. He explained that all the projects have started with the heating and air conditioning ventilation and the hood vents. As this project was occurring, staff found that most of the appliances are original from 2007/2008. Fahnestock stated that the appliances have been used consistently over the years in preparing food, washing dishes, and cleaning clothing. He explained that these appliances are in a condition that is beyond repair. While investigating, he decided to put forth a proposal to Capital to invest in the kitchen and laundry areas. He stated that the kitchen and laundry project will begin in December 2025. He explained that this project will consist of construction and replacement of the kitchen and laundry, along with all the appliances. Fahnestock addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Discussion ensued.

- F. Authorizing the Purchase of Justice Case Access Portal Software for the Kane County Circuit Court from Tyler Technologies

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Chris Kious
SECONDER:	Bill Roth
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

- G. Authorizing an Amendment to Current Software - AltoVista ARX Alert Enterprise to Tyler Public Safety System for the Kane County Sheriff’s Office

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Chris Kious
SECONDER:	Bill Roth
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

H. Approving Professional Services with NV5 for GIS Professional Services (\$270,000) Over Three Years

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Chris Kious
SECONDER:	Mavis Bates
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

Chairman Pierog asked if the recently passed resolutions would be included in the FY2025 Budget or the FY2026 Budget. ITD/BLD Exec. Dir. Fahnstock stated that all these expenses would be included in the FY2026 Budget, as long as the projects are not completed in FY2025.

Finance

A. Approving the Kane County Per Diem Meal Rates for Calendar Year 2026

Committee Member Lenert introduced the following 28 resolutions. He motioned to move the following 28 resolutions forward, Sanchez seconded. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

B. Approving September 2025 Claims Paid
County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

C. Adopting a Tax Levy for the General Fund
County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

D. Adopting a Tax Levy for the Insurance Liability Fund
County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

E. Adopting a Tax Levy for the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund
County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

F. Adopting a Tax Levy for the Social Security Fund
County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

G. Adopting a Tax Levy for the County Highway Fund
County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

H. Adopting a Tax Levy for the County Bridge Fund
County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

I. Adopting a Tax Levy for the County Highway Matching Fund
County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

J. Adopting a Tax Levy for the Kane County Health Fund
County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

K. Adopting a Tax Levy for the Veterans' Commission Fund
County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

L. Adopting a Tax Levy for the Shirewood Farm Special Service Area
County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

M. Adopting a Tax Levy for the Mill Creek Special Service Area
County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

N. Adopting a Tax Levy for the Wildwood West Special Billing Area
County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

O. Adopting a Tax Levy for the Plank Road Estates Special Billing Area
County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

P. Adopting a Tax Levy for the Exposition View Special Billing Area
County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

Q. Adopting a Tax Levy for the Tamara Dittman Special Billing Area
County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

R. Adopting a Tax Levy for the Church Molitor Special Service Area
County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

S. Adopting a Tax Levy for the 45W185 Plank Road Special Service Area
County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

T. Adopting a Tax Levy for the Boyer Road Special Service Area
County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

U. Adopting a Tax Levy for the Crane Road Estates Special Billing Area
County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

V. Authorizing EyeMed Vision Care as Kane County’s Vision Insurance Plan Provider for 2026

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

W. Authorizing Approval of Ortho/Oblique Imagery

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

- X. Authorizing Funding and Purchase of a Rapid DNA Instrument and Database Capability for the Kane County Forensics Lab and Related Budget Adjustment
Committee Member Surges asked if he could remove one of the items from the consent agenda. SAO Chief of Civil Frank explained the proper procedure.

Committee Member Molina reminded the Committee that all of the tax levies would need to be voted on separately at the County Board meeting and could not be placed on the "On Consent" portion of the agenda. Frank suggested that the tax levy resolutions be moved to "Off Consent" on the Kane County Board meeting agenda.

Committee Member Gumz rescinded her original motion. She motioned to move all of the tax levy resolutions forward and to be placed "Off Consent", along with moving the additional resolutions forward to the "On Consent" portion of the County Board's meeting agenda, Sanchez seconded. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

- Y. Authorizing Receipt of the Child Protection Data Courts Grant

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

Z. Accepting the ComEd Powering Safe Communities Program Grant
County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

AA. Authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding Between Kane County and the Conservation Foundation for the 'New Trees for New Homeowners' Nicor Charitable Giving Grant
County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

AB. Authorizing Execution of Collective Bargaining Agreement for Kane County Division of Transportation

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

Human Services

A. Revising the Personnel Policy Handbook Sections Regarding Extended Illness Leave

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Anita Lewis
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

B. Amending Section 2-48 of the Kane County Code to Provide for Management of Department Heads by Committees

Committee Member Surges explained that at the Human Services Committee was asked to look into the County department head's reporting structure. He stated that this ordinance would state that all department head's would report/answer to their respective standing committee and it's chairman.

Committee Member Lewis spoke on a possible word change within the last paragraph of the Ordinance's Exhibit A. She stated that the last sentence of the last paragraph states, "Each standing committee shall supervise, evaluate, and direct the performance of County department heads coming under its

jurisdiction, subject to policies adopted by the county board." After several conversations with other County Board members, she explained that the word "direct" would mean that the committees would be involved in the day-to-day direction of said department. She recommended that the word "direct" be replaced with "oversee". The meaning of the word "oversee" is guidance. SAO Chief of Civil Frank explained the legal differences between "direct" and "oversee". Much discussion ensued.

Committee Member Lenert motioned to call the question, Bates seconded. Motion passed with a 13-1 vote.

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Clifford Surges
SECONDER:	Michelle Gumz
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

Chairman Pierog spoke on the committee and committee chairman process of directing versus advising the County Board department heads.

Referencing the Exhibit A on page 534 of the agenda packet, SAO Chief of Civil Frank explained that each standing committee shall supervise, evaluate, and direct the department heads. The only way for the County Board Chairman to speak is by resolutions, by that committee. Referencing the Ordinance on page 533, Frank stated that the second NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED clause mentioned that the Kane County Human Resources Management Department, in consultation with the Kane County State's Attorney's Office, shall develop a policy to implement this ordinance for County Board approval. He stated that it is important to be very clear within in this ordinance that the chairmen of the standing committees do not have the authority to direct executive directors/department heads. He noted that if this ordinance passes through the County Board, it will be the standing committee that has jurisdiction. Much discussion ensued.

Judicial/Public Safety

- A.** Authorizing a Contract with IC Solutions for the Kane County Adult Justice Center Telephone/Video Visitation System

Committee Member Molina introduced the following two resolutions. She motioned to move the following two resolutions forward, Gumz seconded.

Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Myrna Molina
SECONDER:	Michelle Gumz
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

- B. Authorizing a Grant Agreement with the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board (ILETSB) for the Award of the Officer Recruitment and Retention Grant

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Myrna Molina
SECONDER:	Michelle Gumz
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

Legislative

- A. Resolution in Support of Immigrant Rights, Human Dignity, and Fair Reform in Kane County, Illinois

Committee Member Gumz introduced this resolution. She stated that she listens to the opposition on this matter and the request for examples. However, she explained that it would have been theatrics to show videos of human beings being treated wrong. She noted that she does speak for her constituents on this public safety issue. She stated that those who have not witnessed these instances to consider themselves blessed. She explained that this resolution has asked for the County Board to continue what they have been doing, while asking local, state, and federal government to do something. Gumz stated that there

has not been immigration reform since 1996. Therefore, this resolution is telling the state and federal government that this local entity would like them to move forward and do something on immigration reform. She spoke on communities living in fear and the affects it has on Kane County. Most importantly, this has been effecting Aurora's diversity. Therefore, this resolution is asking Kane County to reaffirm their stance on fixing immigration reform.

Committee Member Juby mentioned that she has heard people say that the Kane County Board needs to stay local and affect only the things they can. She explained that the NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED clause states, "that the Kane County Board reaffirms its commitment to upholding the rights, dignity, and safety of all residents [...]". She noted that this is the job of the Kane County Board. Furthermore, she explained the clause states that "all county departments and offices shall continue to provide services in a fair, equitable, and culturally responsive manner to all residents". She spoke on her misunderstanding on the contention over this resolution. Juby stated that this resolution is asking the State of Illinois and the federal government to do something, because as the Kane County Board, they do not have the purview to do so. She explained that while she does understand that this resolution is symbolic, she would like everyone to see that the County Board is doing everything they can to reaffirm the rights that are established in the State and U.S. Constitution and asking those with control over immigration to start having those conversations regarding immigration. She stated that she is in support of this resolution. Much discussion ensued on each Committee Member's support and opposition of this resolution.

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Michael Linder
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, and Vern Tepe
NAY:	Bill Lenert, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams
ABSTAIN:	Clifford Surges

Public Health

- A. Authorizing the Acceptance and Appreciation of Artwork Donated to Animal Control

Committee Member Strathmann introduced this resolution. She shared a brief background of the donated painting. Discussion ensued.

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Cherryl Strathmann
SECONDER:	Michael Linder
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

Transportation

- A. Approving Adopt-A-Highway Applicants

Committee Member Tepe introduced the following ten resolutions. He motioned the following ten resolutions forward, Linder seconded. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Vern Tepe
SECONDER:	Michael Linder
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams
AWAY:	Michelle Gumz

- B. Authorizing the Purchase of Gasoline and Diesel Fuel for the Division of Transportation, Sheriff’s Office, Building Management, and Other Intergovernmental Agencies (BID# 25-026)

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Vern Tepe
SECONDER:	Michael Linder
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams
AWAY:	Michelle Gumz

- C. Approving the Purchase of One (1) Maxi-500, 500 Gallon Tote Pumper Style Application Striping Truck for the Kane County Division of Transportation

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Vern Tepe
SECONDER:	Michael Linder
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
NAY:	Myrna Molina
ABSENT:	Rick Williams
AWAY:	Michelle Gumz

- D. Approving Purchase of Four (4) Body and Equipment Packages Including Installation Thereof on Four (4) Tandem Axle Truck Cab & Chassis for the Kane County Division of Transportation

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Vern Tepe
SECONDER:	Michael Linder
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams
AWAY:	Michelle Gumz

- E. Approving an Alteration of Speed Limit Within Elgin Township

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Vern Tepe
SECONDER:	Michael Linder
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams
AWAY:	Michelle Gumz

- F. Approving an Agreement for Phase I Engineering Services with Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc. of Aurora, Illinois for the French/Harmony Extension Improvements from IL Route 72 to Allen Road, Kane County Section No. 25-00582-00-BR

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Vern Tepe
SECONDER:	Michael Linder
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams
AWAY:	Michelle Gumz

- G. Approving an Agreement with Aldi, Inc. for Kirk Road at Douglas Road Intersection Improvement, Kane County Section No. 24-00377-01-CH

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Vern Tepe
SECONDER:	Michael Linder
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams
AWAY:	Michelle Gumz

- H. Approving a Relocation Commitment Agreement with Commonwealth Edison Company for Relocation of Facilities for the Randall Road at Hopps Road Intersection Improvement, Kane County Section No. 19-00511-00-CH
County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Vern Tepe
SECONDER:	Michael Linder
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams
AWAY:	Michelle Gumz

- I. Approving Preliminary Just Compensation Appropriation for the Acquisition of Real Property for Randall Road at Hopps Road Intersection and CNRR Grade Separation Improvement Project, Kane County Section No. 19-00511-00-CH, Parcel Nos. 0001, 0002, 0002TE, 0003, 0003TE, 0006, 0006TE and 0008
County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Vern Tepe
SECONDER:	Michael Linder
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams
AWAY:	Michelle Gumz

- J. Approving Acquisition of Real Property and an Easement for Kirk Road over Union Pacific Railroad Company (UPRR) Tracks, Geneva, Illinois, Kane County Section No. 12-00192-04-BR, Parcel No. 0008 & 0008TE

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Vern Tepe
SECONDER:	Michael Linder
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams
AWAY:	Michelle Gumz

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

- A. Authorizing Participation in the Appellate Prosecutor Program

Committee Ex-Officio Roth introduced this resolution.

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Bill Roth
SECONDER:	Bill Lenert
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
ABSENT:	Rick Williams
AWAY:	Michelle Gumz

- B. Ratifying Emergency Purchase Affidavit for Interim Director of the Workforce Development Division

Committee Ex-Officio Roth introduced this resolution.

Committee Member Juby asked for status report of the Workforce Development Director.

Chairman Pierog stated that a candidate has been selected and will be brought forth at the full County Board meeting. She reminded the Committee that the Workforce Development Division does not affect the Kane County General Fund. Fin. Exec. Dir. Hopkinson addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Discussion ensued.

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Bill Roth
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth
NAY:	Leslie Juby
ABSENT:	Rick Williams

12. Executive Session (if needed)

None.

13. Committee Reports

A. Madam Chairman's Comments

Chairman Pierog stated that the County Board will be introduced to the candidate for the Workforce Development Director position. She explained that this individual has a long standing relationship serving on the Workforce Board and comes highly recommended. At the next County Board meeting, she stated that all members will have a chance to speak to his qualifications. She explained that the candidate would begin on November 16, 2025, pending the County Board's approval. Pierog spoke on the concerns of the process on selecting a candidate for District 2. She explained that there have been five people that have shown interest in the position. Of which, four candidates have shown interest in being appointed to the position now. Pierog explained that the there is only one that is not interested in running in the election, and only has interest in being appointed to the position through November 30, 2026. She stated that she is currently going through all of the materials and has been speaking with all the candidates. She noted that one of the candidates has voted as a republican in past elections, therefore, they were eliminated. She explained that the next step is to have the County Board review the applications of the four candidates, which will take some time. She explained that by County Code, she has the authority to appoint a candidate with the consent of the County Board. Once the County Board has forwarded their recommendations, she will choose a small group of members to make the overall

recommendation. Pierog stated that due to the timing of filling this position, a Special County Board meeting would be held on Monday, November 17, 2025. She explained that at the special meeting, the candidate that is recommended will be accepted as the District 2 Board Member. (Committee Member Surges left at 11:11 a.m.) Pierog addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Discussion ensued.

Pierog thanked several County Board members for attending the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) event. She stated that this was an opportunity to network with individuals in Economic Development within the region. She summarized the numerous conversations she had at the event. Further discussion ensued.

B. Legislative Update

Committee Member Gumz provided the Legislative Update. She stated that the Veto Session ended on October 30, 2025. She noted that Kane County held positions on several pieces of legislation. She stated that the legislation for the Property Tax-Freeze for Low-Income Seniors has passed. Gumz explained that this is a tiered piece of legislation that will increase accordingly. Additionally, she stated that the Energy Bill passed. She explained her issues with the Energy Bill. She stated that as the County is trying to obtain local control over solar fields, this Bill will make it more difficult. Gumz spoke on the Transportation Bill. She explained that the County Board was in opposition of the governance that was presented and that they wanted to maintain their finances. She stated that the County's lobbyist team have been working on this position for over a year. She explained that up until the last day of the Veto Session, Kane County's position had not changed. They wanted to retain their position of keeping governance and their financials. However, she found out that Kane County's position had changed on October 30, 2025. She was informed that the County Board Chairman had changed the County's position on this matter, which was unacceptable. Gumz stated that the Legislative Co-Chairmen have worked on this position for a year and within one conversation it was uprooted. She spoke on the reporting process of committees.

Chairman Pierog provided an explanation on the change of position of Kane County toward the governance and funding of the Transportation Bill. Discussion ensued.

Pierog spoke on the Right to Die Bill. She explained that this Bill will state that within six months of a terminal diagnosis, a person can chose to end their life medically assisted. She commended Senator Holmes for discussing this matter.

C. All Other Committees

Committee Member Kious stated that the HVAC, roof technology, and all major work for the Elgin offices located at 2170 Point Boulevard will conclude at the end of the week. He explained that the County Clerk and the Health Department are coordinating to occupy the building within the month. He stated that a Grand Opening would be coordinated in the near future. Additionally, he stated that the HVAC, kitchen and laundry, and sally port improvements at the Kane County Adult Justice Center will continue. Lastly, Kious reported that a public hearing will be held on November 10, 2025, for the Mill Creek Special Service Area's (MCSSA) tax levy increase of approximately \$95K. He explained that the County Board, by ordinance, sets the levy,

but it is by the recommendation of the MCSSA Board.

Committee Member Bates stated that at the last Energy and Environmental Committee meeting, there was a proposal presented to place a solar field on the unused property off of Fabyan Parkway. She explained that the Energy and Environmental Committee would like to request a Committee of the Whole meeting be held on December 10, 2025, to further discuss this proposal and the benefits of constructing a solar field on this unused property, instead of selling it. Discussion ensued. The Committee provided a consensus to hold a Special Committee of the Whole meeting on December 10, 2025 at 12:00 p.m.

Committee Member Strathmann thanked the Building Management Department for placing a bench outside of the Government Center, Building A.

14. Adjournment

RESULT:	APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE
MOVER:	Bill Roth
SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez

This meeting was adjourned at 11:36 AM.

Savannah Zgobica
Sr. Recording Secretary