



Kane County

KC American Rescue Plan Committee

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

Meeting Minutes

SANCHEZ, Kenyon, Bates, Gumz, Lenert, Molina, Strathmann, Surges & Tepe

Wednesday, April 24, 2024

10:30 AM

County Board Room

1. Call to Order

Chairman Sanchez called the Meeting to order at 11:16 a.m.

2. Roll Call

PRESENT	Board Member Jarett Sanchez Board Member Michael Kenyon Board Member Mavis Bates Board Member Michelle Gumz Board Member Bill Lenert Board Member Myrna Molina Board Member Cherryl Strathmann Board Member Vern Tepe
ABSENT	Board Member Clifford Surges

Others present: Co. Board Chair Pierog, Co. Board Members Allan, Kious and Roth, ITD/BLD Exec Dir. Fahnestock & staff Peters, ASA Shepro, Pub. Health Exec. Dir. Isaacson & staff Snowden, ARPA Mgr. Fahnestock & staff Minor; and members of the press and public.

3. Remote Attendance Requests

None.

4. Approval of Minutes: March 27, 2024

RESULT:	APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT
MOVER:	Michael Kenyon

5. Public Comment (Agenda Items)

Chairman Sanchez reported the sign up sheet for public comments was misplaced and he may not have all the names for all the speakers requesting time today.

Chairman Sanchez invited Cathy Flesburg to speak and confirmed she would be speaking on an agenda item. Ms. Flesburg spoke about the resolutions that would be voted on today. She questioned seeing the referendums on these projects except the HVAC at the adult jail facility that had gone to one of the higher bidders. Flesburg addressed Madam Chair and discussed the previous meetings reference to a call from Springfield. She shared her concerns with Springfield politics effecting Kane County's decision making. Ms. Flesburg stated she was in favor of repairs for all the County's HVAC projects vs. replacements to save the County money.

Chairman Sanchez invited Brian Anderson of Sugar Grove to speak. Mr. Anderson acknowledged he was speaking on a non agenda item. Anderson applauded the county chair for her prudence and fiscal responsibility during the previous meeting. He hoped it wasn't staged for voters. He thanked Board Members Juby and Gumz for their review and challenge during item n last agenda that supported state legislation authorizing Counties to lease buildings or land. Anderson discussed the Kane County Entertainment sector that supported festivals, art shows or scouting events and requested projects like the completion of the libraries be considered first.

Chairman Sanchez invited Michele Bettag to speak. Ms. Bettag also supported repairs vs replacements on County HVAC projects. Also, stating she hoped Kane County considered it's citizens and cut costs.

Chairman Sanchez invited anyone else that would like to speak to come up to the podium. Mary Dixon, attorney for Geneva Township spoke of the Township's request of 1 year ago for ARPA Grant funding to support an expansion at the Senior Center. Dixon reported they had initially received no response. The township had contacted the ARPA manager regarding the funding application and was told an application could not be submitted till funding had been secured. The Township then received a call from Chairman Sanchez and was told the funding request had been rejected. Dixon noted past rejections from non profit's requests had been allowed an appeal. She added the Geneva Township was requesting that same right and noted the expansion project to the Senior Center would benefit a portion of the population in Kane County that had been proportionally impacted by COVID.

John Connolly a member of the Board of Trustees for the Geneva Township spoke on the Geneva Township request. He stated they were told the request would not move forward for a variety of reasons. Adding they were unsure who or how the decision had been made. Connolly discussed how our seniors have suffered through isolation and he then compared the effects of loneliness to other detrimental conditions. He advised the Committee he was the engineer leading the Senior Center expansion. He reported the senior's space included a design that would increase it another 1400 square feet. The request for this project was for \$500K and supported the recorded growth from 700 members in 2009 to 1600 members currently. He requested the proper channels to

have the application subject to a meaningful hearing and decision making process.

6. Public Comment (Non-Agenda Items)

See above.

7. Discussion Items:

A. ARP Committee Reports

ARPA Manager Fahnestock reported the ARPA Community Support Grant Program that included 46 organizations had been completed. All 46 organizations had received their funds. Chairman Sanchez noted this was a milestone for the Committee.

Chairman Sanchez reported the other ARP Committee reports had been made available unattached from the agenda packet on line

B. Other Committee Reports (not included)

Chairman Sanchez discussed how capital projects similar to the Geneva Township request had a lot of strings to the funding and required a lot of record keeping / monitoring. It was not the practice of the Committee to support capital projects outside the County for those reasons. He stated the approved capital projects were not part of the open application process they were countywide projects adding the risks discussed is beyond what this Committee and the Board were willing to assume.

Committee Member Gumz discussed how the requests that were rejected could be problematic for the Committee. She moved to discuss an appeal process off line to address this and similar situations.

C. Allocating the Remaining ARPA Funds

Chairman Sanchez discussed the pause in spending as the Committee awaited the outcome of the new Public Health Facility conversations. Now that the conversation was completed and the new Public Health Facility was not moving forward the Committee must discuss how to obligate the remaining funds. He shared his screen for a visual to the discussion showing the projects that would be discussed and voted on by the Committee. Chairman Sanchez advised the Committee the projects were listed from most costly to least costly and did not include revenue from recoupment fund. Sanchez reported all the projects listed were eligible and had been assessed by the County's consultant Ernest and Young. He commended Program Manager Fahnestock for keeping in touch and apprised of the status levels of each project. These HVAC replacements are very needed items with little risks or time issues. Discussion ensued.

Member Bates reminded individuals seeking funds for lead pipes other grants were available. She also noted the projects that were being voted on today were practical and if not funded by ARPA the funds would have to come out of tax payor dollars.

Member Molina questioned how many of these projects were budgeted for this year. Exe. Director Fahnestock confirmed the projects were budgeted. He reported the amounts requested were budgetary numbers and would be more specific once the projects go out for bid. Fahnestock confirmed all the projects were related to public safety, public health and occupancy needs.

D. FY23 Lost Revenue

Chairman Sanchez reported the County can calculate the amount of recoupment funds yearly. He questioned the Committee if it was the desire of the Committee to request the county's finance director refigure the recoupment amount and report back to the Committee next month. No formal request from the Committee was obtained.

8. New Business

- A.** Authorizing the Use of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to Fund Association for Individual Development, A-Town Boxing, and West Aurora School District 129 for the Kane County Health Department ARPA Behavioral Health System Improvement Initiative

KC Executive Committee

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	KC Executive Committee
MOVER:	Myrna Molina
SECONDER:	Michelle Gumz
AYE:	Jarett Sanchez, Michael Kenyon, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Bill Lenert, Myrna Molina, Cherryl Strathmann, and Vern Tepe
ABSENT:	Clifford Surges

- B.** Authorizing the Use and Transfer of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds from Lost Revenue Recoupment Fund 356 to General Fund 001 to Economic Development Fund 400 to Financially Support the Launch of an Economic Development Organization for Kane County

KC Executive Committee

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	KC Executive Committee
MOVER:	Vern Tepe
SECONDER:	Cherryl Strathmann
AYE:	Jarett Sanchez, Michael Kenyon, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Bill Lenert, Myrna Molina, Cherryl Strathmann, and Vern Tepe
ABSENT:	Clifford Surges

- C. Authorizing the Use of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to Fund the Kane County Food & Farm Resiliency Project for the Kane County Development and Community Services Department

KC Executive Committee

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	KC Executive Committee
MOVER:	Cherryl Strathmann
SECONDER:	Michael Kenyon
AYE:	Jarett Sanchez, Michael Kenyon, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Myrna Molina, Cherryl Strathmann, and Vern Tepe
ABSENT:	Clifford Surges
AWAY:	Bill Lenert

- D. Authorizing the Use of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to Fund Jail Tower A and B HVAC System Improvements for the Kane County Building Management Department

KC Executive Committee

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	KC Executive Committee
MOVER:	Mavis Bates
SECONDER:	Cherryl Strathmann
AYE:	Jarett Sanchez, Michael Kenyon, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Bill Lenert, Myrna Molina, Cherryl Strathmann, and Vern Tepe
ABSENT:	Clifford Surges

- E. Authorizing the Use of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to Fund Judicial Center Replacement Chillers for the Kane County Building Management Department

KC Executive Committee

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	KC Executive Committee
MOVER:	Mavis Bates
SECONDER:	Bill Lenert
AYE:	Jarett Sanchez, Michael Kenyon, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Bill Lenert, Myrna Molina, Cherryl Strathmann, and Vern Tepe

ABSENT: Clifford Surges

- F. Authorizing the Use of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to Fund Sheriff's Office HVAC System Renovations for the Kane County Building Management Department

KC Executive Committee

RESULT: **MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE**

TO: KC Executive Committee

MOVER: Bill Lenert

SECONDER: Cherryl Strathmann

AYE: Jarett Sanchez, Michael Kenyon, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Bill Lenert, Myrna Molina, Cherryl Strathmann, and Vern Tepe

ABSENT: Clifford Surges

- G. Authorizing the Use of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to Fund Adult Justice Center Domestic Hot Water Improvements for the Kane County Building Management Department

KC Executive Committee

RESULT: **MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE**

TO: KC Executive Committee

MOVER: Michael Kenyon

SECONDER: Bill Lenert

AYE: Jarett Sanchez, Michael Kenyon, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Bill Lenert, Myrna Molina, Cherryl Strathmann, and Vern Tepe

ABSENT: Clifford Surges

- H. Authorizing the Use of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to Fund Kitchen and Laundry Area Improvements at the Kane County Justice Center for the Kane County Building Management Department

KC Executive Committee

RESULT: **MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE**

TO: KC Executive Committee

MOVER: Cherryl Strathmann

SECONDER: Michael Kenyon

AYE:	Jarett Sanchez, Michael Kenyon, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Bill Lenert, Myrna Molina, Cherryl Strathmann, and Vern Tepe
ABSENT:	Clifford Surges

- I. Authorizing the Use of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to Fund Shooting Range HVAC System Renovations for the Kane County Building Management Department

KC Executive Committee

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	KC Executive Committee
MOVER:	Bill Lenert
SECONDER:	Michael Kenyon
AYE:	Jarett Sanchez, Michael Kenyon, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Bill Lenert, Myrna Molina, Cherryl Strathmann, and Vern Tepe
ABSENT:	Clifford Surges

- J. Authorizing the Use of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to Fund Medical Intake at the Kane County Jail HVAC System Improvements for the Kane County Building Management Department

KC Executive Committee

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	KC Executive Committee
MOVER:	Cherryl Strathmann
SECONDER:	Michael Kenyon
AYE:	Jarett Sanchez, Michael Kenyon, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Bill Lenert, Myrna Molina, Cherryl Strathmann, and Vern Tepe
ABSENT:	Clifford Surges

- K. Authorizing the Use of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to Fund HVAC System Improvements at Juvenile Justice Center for the Kane County Building Management Department

KC Executive Committee

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	KC Executive Committee
MOVER:	Mavis Bates
SECONDER:	Cherryl Strathmann
AYE:	Jarett Sanchez, Michael Kenyon, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Bill Lenert, Myrna Molina, Cherryl Strathmann, and Vern Tepe
ABSENT:	Clifford Surges

- L. Authorizing the Use of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to Fund 2024 HVAC Improvements at the 3rd Street Courthouse for the Kane County Building Management Department

KC Executive Committee

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	KC Executive Committee
MOVER:	Cherryl Strathmann
SECONDER:	Michael Kenyon
AYE:	Jarett Sanchez, Michael Kenyon, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Bill Lenert, Myrna Molina, Cherryl Strathmann, and Vern Tepe
ABSENT:	Clifford Surges

- M. Authorizing the Use of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to Fund 2023 HVAC Improvements at the 3rd Street Courthouse for the Kane County Building Management Department

KC Executive Committee

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	KC Executive Committee
MOVER:	Michael Kenyon
SECONDER:	Bill Lenert
AYE:	Jarett Sanchez, Michael Kenyon, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Bill Lenert, Myrna Molina, Cherryl Strathmann, and Vern Tepe
ABSENT:	Clifford Surges

- N.** Authorizing the Use of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to Fund Health Department HVAC Replacement for the Kane County Building Management Department

KC Executive Committee

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	KC Executive Committee
MOVER:	Cherryl Strathmann
SECONDER:	Mavis Bates
AYE:	Jarett Sanchez, Michael Kenyon, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Bill Lenert, Myrna Molina, Cherryl Strathmann, and Vern Tepe
ABSENT:	Clifford Surges

9. Old Business

None.

10. Executive Session (if needed)

None.

11. Adjournment

RESULT:	APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE
MOVER:	Michael Kenyon
SECONDER:	Mavis Bates

The meeting adjourned at 12:44 p.m.

Caryn Minor
ARPA Coordinator