



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, January 7, 2026

9:00 AM

County Board Room

1. Call to Order

Chairman Pierog called the meeting to order at 9:03 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 Myrna Molina Board Member Cheryl Strathmann Board Member Clifford Surges Board Member Vern Tepe Board Member Rick Williams Ex-Officio County Board Vice Chair Bill Roth
REMOTE	Board Member Jarett Sanchez

Also present: Co. Bd. Members Arroyo*, Gripe, Penesis*; Fin. Exec. Dir. Hopkinson; PIO Mann; ITD/BLD Exec. Dir. Fahnestock & staff Lasky*, Peters; KDOT Deputy Dir. Rickert; KCHD Exec. Dir. Isaacson; Auditor Wegman; Undersheriff Johnson; Dev. Dir. VanKerkhoff & staff Mall; HRM Exec. Dir. Loblillo; SAO Chief of Civil Frank; KCAC Admin. Youngsteadt*; Kane County Historian Shepro; and members of the press and public.

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 Bates and Sanchez attending today's meeting remotely. There were no objections.

4. Pledge of Allegiance

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

5. Approval of Minutes: December 3, 2025

RESULT:	APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT
MOVER:	Chris Kious

6. Public Comment

(Committee Member Williams arrived in-person at 9:04 a.m.)

Brian Anderson, Sugar Grove, stated that the County ended last year with the optics of a balanced budget. He explained that it is time for the County to look at the FY2027 Budget and make the necessary budget cuts to balance the budget. He stated that on January 1, 2026 the State of Illinois issued approximately 430 new taxes. He explained that if the County is seeking to place a tax referendum on the November ballot, they should think again. He recalled the last Retail Occupancy Tax referendum that failed with an overwhelming "no" from the constituents. Anderson voiced his concern with 10 ILCS 5/2A-11 and the timing of when an elected seat on the Board should be filled. He questioned why the District 2 seat has not been filled. Now, District 9 is vacant. Anderson requested that these seats be filled, so that these constituents are represented. He asked the Kane County Board Chair is she is seeking to wait until the General Primary Election to fill the seats, or not. If so, this needs to be conveyed to the public. Anderson stated that it is time for the County Board to do their due diligence and get all districts represented.

Michelle Bettag, St. Charles, reminded the Committee that the County ended FY2025 with negative \$31M, which is not a successful year. She explained that this County Board has become too big with the power it reels, such as paybacks to union donors. She stated that the Chairman and Board Members have changed the make-up of this Board that founding fathers would find disgraceful. Looking back on FY2025, she recalled that the Kane County Board passed a resolution to purchase a \$40M building for the Health Department that included millions of dollars in renovations. She questioned the need for a new Health Department building. Bettag requested that the County Board review the Responsible Bidders Ordinance (RBO). In 2023, the County approved this ordinance, and now the County is paying more than needed for jobs to be completed. Additionally, the RBO is eliminating Kane County workers and businesses from bidding on these jobs, due to the union paybacks. Bettag requested that two financially minded constituents be added to the County Board in the vacant districts. She stated that it is horrible to see people apply for a County Board chair with no financial background. She spoke on the time wasted on social issues, such as proclamations that are unenforceable. She requested that the County Board balance the budget and reduce cost.

Deanna Davisson, St. Charles, spoke on the Short-Term Rental (STR) Ordinance. She formally asked that this Committee not move this ordinance forward to the County Board for a full review. She explained that she lives next door to a STR, which has caused issues. As it is written, the ordinance is well intended. She explained a STR

interrupts the lives of those living around it, not because of noise, traffic, or smoke detectors, but because of the introduction of a STR that is a revolving door of risk into the neighbors' daily lives. Additionally, a STR reduces the property values and erodes the character of the community. Davisson explained that if the County Board signs this ordinance it would codify all of these issues. She requested that this ordinance be tabled. She explained that there is nothing within the ordinance that would limit future STRs from opening. There is nothing in the ordinance that takes into consideration the unique features of particular homes that wish to run a STR in a neighborhood. Davisson stated that this ordinance is a one size fits all blanket permission slip for transient lodging businesses to operate in residential communities. She explained that there is nothing in the ordinance that would speak to verification, enforcement, or reporting measures for violations. She stated that the main reason this ordinance should not be forwarded is because the County Board enjoys considerable legal advantage, in the fact that dealing with the STR issue in an ambiguous way. However, the minute the County Board passes this ordinance and declares that STRs should exist within residential communities, all legal leverage is lost and it will take away any hope from the community to restore residential neighborhoods for their intended use. Davisson believes that a remedy exists in the current zoning code. She requests that this Committee table the ordinance and to not forward it onto the County Board.

7. Monthly Financials (K. Hopkinson)

A. Monthly Finance Reports

Fin. Exec. Dir. Hopkinson stated the monthly financial reports were on file. She reviewed the County's General Fund - General Account variances. She stated that as the County closes out FY2025, all payroll and employee benefits have been submitted and posted. The final items to close out FY2025 are the Sales Tax, the Regional Transit Authority (RTA) Sales Tax revenue, the interest revenue, and the contractual services and commodities. Hopkinson noted that the County has until Friday, January 16, 2026 to have all FY2025 expenses posted. She stated that the FY2025 Budget was set to expend \$27M in reserves. However, the County will use approximately \$20M. Hopkinson stated that the difference in the use of reserves is due to the County collecting three percent more in revenue through the Charges for Services, such as fees collected through the recording of deeds in the County Clerk's Office. Additionally, the sales tax revenue and the reimbursement revenue were higher than expected. Hopkinson stated that expenses are less due to a reduction in salaries and wages. The County budgeted \$87M, but will expend \$84M. Hopkinson reviewed the Tax Revenues Key Indicators across all County funds. She stated that the Sales Tax and the RTA Sales Tax revenue continues to be higher than expected. She noted that the Personal Property Replacement Tax revenue (PPRT) and the Local Use Tax revenue continues to decline. She shared a graph that depicted the other taxes the County collects throughout the year. (Committee Member Allan arrived in-person at 9:19 a.m.) She spoke on the County's 90-day reserve. She explained that at the end of the fiscal year on November 30, 2025, the County will have \$60M in reserves throughout all of the General Fund accounts. She stated that the County's General Fund - General Account will be below the 90-day reserve amount. However, with the other

Special Reserve funds, the County will have over the 90-day reserve amount. With the current FY2026 Budget, it is forecasted the County will utilize \$6.3M in reserves. (Committee Member Bates arrived in-person at 9:20 a.m.) Hopkinson addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Discussion ensued.

8. PIO Update (J. Mann)

PIO Mann provided a presentation on the recent activities of her office. She stated that in 2026 the County will join in on the celebration of America's 250th birthday. She noted that a logo has been added to the Kane County website's homepage. Additionally, Kane County will celebrate it's 190th anniversary on January 16, 2026, and the Office of Emergency Management will be celebrating its 50th anniversary on January 13, 2026. Mann shared the graphics of the recently crafted Kane County Government brochure.

Committee Member Surges thanked PIO Mann for developing the County brochure.

Mann spoke on the recent community outreach, such as Mattie's Mittens. She shared pictures of all of the donations that were collected. She explained that there were 5K articles of cold weather clothing distributed through Mattie's Mittens. Additionally, Kane County launched its public safety alert system for external and internal alerts. Mann noted that anyone can sign up to receive these notifications. She spoke on the newly enhanced and coordinated, countywide Ride in Kane Program. She addressed the grand opening on the new Health Department and County Clerk's satellite offices in Elgin. Lastly, Mann announced the winners of the Kane County Division of Transportation's (KDOT) Name-A-Truck Contest: Plowasaurus Rex, Clear-a-Patha, and Mailbox Mauler. She noted that these names will be displayed on plow trucks that can be seen around the County.

Chairman Pierog asked the County Board Members to review the County Government brochure and submit any changes to PIO Mann. She explained that the brochures would be printed and distributed to all County Board members to be given out to residents. Discussion ensued.

9. Old Business

None.

10. New Business

None.

11. Preliminary County Board Agenda:

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

Administration

- A.** Authorizing GL Changes in the Building Management and Information Technologies Departments for the Position of Building Security Director
Committee Member Kious introduced and motioned each resolution individually.

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Chris Kious
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, Rick Williams, and Bill Roth

Committee Member Surges asked that further financial details be provided on resolutions that change the allotted budget. He requested that resolutions that are requesting a change in the budget include the allotted budget available, the requested account in which the funds are being drawn from, and the balance of the fund. Additionally, he would like the resolution to state if the budget change is within tolerance or not. Discussion ensued.

ITD/BLD Exec. Dir. Fahnestock shared the fiscal notification for the previous resolution. He explained that this resolution has requested a position within the Building Management Department (BLD) be moved to the Information Technologies Department (ITD) for security related functions that are computerized. He stated that for the past few years, any issues with these functions were reported to ITD CIO Lasky and ITD. Now, BLD is seeking to move a full-time employee over to cover this task. Fahnestock addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Discussion ensued.

- B.** Authorizing a Contract for the Building Management Department with Kluber Architects & Engineers for Professional Services Related to the Kane County Adult Justice Center Kitchen & Laundry Improvements

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Chris Kious
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, Rick Williams, and Bill Roth

- C.** Authorizing a Budget Adjustment for the Mill Creek Special Service Area Due to Tax Levy Increase

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Chris Kious
SECONDER:	Rick Williams
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, Rick Williams, and Bill Roth

D. Approval to Purchase a Replacement Vehicle for the Kane County Sheriff’s Office

Chairman Pierog asked if this purchase was budgeted, or not. Undersheriff Johnson stated that this purchase was budgeted, due to the fact that the previous vehicle was totaled. She noted that insurance would cover the cost of the new vehicle.

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Chris Kious
SECONDER:	Clifford Surges
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, Rick Williams, and Bill Roth

E. Authorizing the Purchase of a Van by the Kane County Sheriff’s Office for the K9 Unit

Committee Member Kious motioned to amend this resolution. He stated that the third WHEREAS clause should read, "WHEREAS, the responsive vendor for the vehicle required is Currie Motors, Inc., 10125 W. Laraway, Frankfort, IL, for a 2026 Ford Transit-350 Cargo AWD High Roof Ext. Van at a price of Sixty Thousand, Nine Hundred Thirty-Six and 00/100 dollars (\$60,936.00); and". Additionally, the fourth WHEREAS clause should read, "WHEREAS, the vehicle will need to be up-fitted for this specific use at an approximate cost of Twelve Thousand, Five Hundred and 00/100 dollars (\$12,500.00) using various vendors and equipment in stock, making the total expenditure Seventy-Three Thousand, Four Hundred Thirty-Six and 00/100 Dollars (\$73,436.00), to be paid for from the New Vehicle Fund 128.380.395.70070. Lastly, the NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED clause should be changed to, "NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that the Kane County Board and the Chair thereof authorize the Sheriff of Kane County to enter into a contract with Currie Motors of Frankfort, Illinois, for a total of \$60,936.00 to purchase a 2026 Ford Transit-350 Cargo AWD High Roof Ext. Van for the K9 Unit's use, and to have it up-fitted for this specified need at an approximate cost of \$12,500.00 by various vendors. Committee Member Bates seconded the amendment. Undersheriff Johnson addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Discussion ensued. Motion carried with an unanimous vote.

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Chris Kious
SECONDER:	Clifford Surges
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, Rick Williams, and Bill Roth

Agriculture

- A.** Amending Section 2-48 of the Kane County Code (Standing Committees) to Revise Language Related to the Agriculture Committee

Committee Member Juby introduced this ordinance. She explained that while the Agriculture Committee was completing its 2026 goals, the members looked over the ordinance that listed the tasks for the Committee to complete. While reviewing the ordinance, it was noticed that the Committee was completing tasks that were not listed in the Kane County Code, such as providing oversight to the County's efforts to protect farmland and support local farm access and recognizing that agriculture is a leading industry in Kane County and is historically the land use. Juby stated that these changes would reflect what the Agriculture Committee's tasks and intent.

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Leslie Juby
SECONDER:	Bill Roth
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, Rick Williams, and Bill Roth

County Development

- A. Amending Chapter 2 (Administration), Article IX (Administrative Adjudication), Section 2-320 (Adoption of System of Administrative Adjudication) and Chapter 7 (Business and Commercial Regulations) of the Kane County Code to Provide for Regulation of Short-Term Rentals in Unincorporated Areas of Kane County
 Committee Member Williams provided a brief background on the need for this ordinance in Kane County. He spoke on the authority Kane County has to regulate and/or ban short-term rentals (STRs). He explained that this ordinance will provide a mechanism for anyone who wants to rent their property for less than 30 days to apply for a license from the County. He stated that there will have to be an inspection of the property, a license fee would have to be paid, and various regulations that will need to be followed. Ultimately, if the County has a situation where someone renting their property on a short-term basis is not following the terms of the ordinance, there is this mechanism to impose fines or revoke their license. Williams spoke on the issues had with a certain STR in District 14. He addressed the request to table this ordinance. He explained the potential impact to residents if this were not to move forward. He spoke on the process of amending the Kane County Zoning Ordinance that could take up to six months to accomplish. Williams stated that the passage of this ordinance would alleviate a large majority of the issues. The ordinance would put control on and stop many issues that have occurred with STRs around the County. Much discussion ensued on the issues faced, legality, and future regulations that could be placed on STRs.

Williams modified his motion to include this ordinance be placed off consent on the County Board meeting agenda on January 13, 2026, Roth modified his second to reflect this change.

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Rick Williams
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, Rick Williams, and Bill Roth

B. Amending Chapter 15 (Nuisances and Property Maintenance) of the Kane County Code Pertaining to Noise

Committee Member Williams provided a brief background on the purpose of this ordinance. He stated that an actual decibel level for daytime and nighttime has been added to the Kane County Code for measurable purposes. Williams and Dev. Dir. VanKerkhoff addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Discussion ensued.

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Rick Williams
SECONDER:	Clifford Surges
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, Rick Williams, and Bill Roth

C. Amending Chapter 15 (Nuisances and Property Maintenance) of the Kane County Code to Declare Trespassing a Public Nuisance

Committee Member Williams provided a brief background on the necessity of this ordinance. Discussion ensued.

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Rick Williams
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, Rick Williams, and Bill Roth

Finance

A. Approving November 2025 Claims Paid

Committee Member Lenert motioned to move the following 16 resolutions forward, Bates seconded. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Bill Lenert
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, Rick Williams, and Bill Roth

B. Approving Personal Expense Voucher Reimbursement Requests

Committee Member Gumz motioned to strike the third WHEREAS clause from this resolution, Juby seconded. Discussion ensued. The motion and second were rescinded.

County Board

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

C. Authorizing Revision to the Kane County Financial Policies (Travel Policy)

Committee Member Lenert motioned to amend the original motion to remove Finance agenda items B,C,D, and E from the consent agenda, Surges seconded. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Committee Member Gumz motioned to amend this resolution's Exhibit A, Item C, sub-category f. Currently the Exhibit A states, "Travel expense policy is administered by and any exceptions must be approved by the auditor." She requested that it reads, "Travel expense policy is administered by and any exceptions must be approved by the County Board." Committee Member Kious seconded the motion to amend. Gumz explained her reasoning of the amendment. Discussion ensued.

Committee Member Molina motioned to move this ordinance back to committee, Surges seconded. Motion passed by a 12-1 vote.

KC Finance and Budget Committee

RESULT:	HELD OVER
TO:	KC Finance and Budget Committee
MOVER:	Myrna Molina
SECONDER:	Clifford Surges
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Clifford Surges, Rick Williams, and Bill Roth
NAY:	Michael Linder
ABSENT:	Cherryl Strathmann
ABSTAIN:	Vern Tepe

- D. Authorizing Fiscal Year 2026 Non-Union Cost-of-Living Wage Increase and Emergency Appropriation and Budget Adjustments to Amend FY2026 County Budget

County Board

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

- E. Authorizing Fiscal Year 2026 County Board Employees Cost-of-Living Wage Increase and Emergency Appropriation and Budget Adjustments to Amend FY2026 County Budget

(Committee Member Strathmann left at 10:58 a.m.)

Committee Member Surges voiced his opinion on this ordinance being redundant. He spoke on his confusion as to why this ordinance was separated from Finance agenda item D, when there is no internal control in the County Board Office. Committee Member Lenert explained that the County Board Office is an elected official's office and that the approval of the Board for staff to receive a Consumer Price Index (CPI) raise. Discussion ensued.

County Board

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

- F. Authorizing Emergency Appropriation and Budget Adjustments to Amend FY2026 County Budget for Finance Department Staffing

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Bill Lenert
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, Rick Williams, and Bill Roth

- G. Informing the County Board of Adult Drug Rehabilitation Court Contracts

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Bill Lenert
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, Rick Williams, and Bill Roth

H. Authorizing Contract for Medical Services for the Juvenile Justice Center
County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Bill Lenert
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, Rick Williams, and Bill Roth

I. Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement with Wayne County for Juvenile Detention Services
County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Bill Lenert
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, Rick Williams, and Bill Roth

J. Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement with Lawrence County for Juvenile Detention Services
County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Bill Lenert
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, Rick Williams, and Bill Roth

K. Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement with Richland County for Juvenile Detention Services

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Bill Lenert
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, Rick Williams, and Bill Roth

L. Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement with Franklin County for Juvenile Detention Services

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Bill Lenert
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, Rick Williams, and Bill Roth

M. Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement with Crawford County for Juvenile Detention Services

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Bill Lenert
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, Rick Williams, and Bill Roth

N. Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement with White County for Juvenile Detention Services

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Bill Lenert
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, Rick Williams, and Bill Roth

O. Authorizing Budget Adjustment to Balance Child Support Fund FY2025

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Bill Lenert
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, Rick Williams, and Bill Roth

P. Accepting the Low-Income Energy Efficiency Outreach and Engagement Grant

County Board

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	County Board
MOVER:	Bill Lenert
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, Rick Williams, and Bill Roth

Judicial/Public Safety

- A. Recognizing the 50th Anniversary of the Establishment of the Kane County Emergency Services & Disaster Agency (now the Kane County Office of Emergency Management)

County Board

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

Public Health

- A. Authorizing Agreement with the Illinois Department of Human Services for the Illinois Rapid Rehousing Program in State Fiscal Year 2026

County Board

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

Transportation

- A.** Approving Appropriation of the County Engineer’s Salary and Authorizing the Transfer of Funds Therefore - Kane County Section No. 26-00000-00-CS and 26-CS089-00-AC

Committee Member Tepe motioned to move the following 17 resolutions forward, Roth seconded. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

County Board

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

- B.** Approving FY2026 County Maintenance Motor Fuel Tax Appropriation, Kane County Section No. 26-00000-00-GM

County Board

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

C. Approving FY2026 County Maintenance Motor Fuel Tax Appropriation, Kane County Section No. 26-00000-00-RF

County Board

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

D. Approving Adopt-A-Highway Applicants

County Board

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

- E. Approving a Contract for the Purchase of One (1) Case WX175 Wheeled Excavator for the Kane County Division of Transportation

County Board

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

- F. Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the State of Illinois for Phase III Construction Engineering and Construction for Kirk Road at Douglas Road, Kane County Section No. 24-00377-01-CH

County Board

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

- G. Approving a Funding Agreement Between the County of Kane and Pace for the Ride in Kane Program

County Board

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

- H. Approving an Appropriation for Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) to Support Planning and Programming Services

County Board

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

- I. Approving an Amendment to an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the County of Kane and Village of Carpentersville for Access to Randall Road from Huntley Road to Binnie Road

County Board

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

- J. Approving an Alteration of Speed Limit Within Kaneville Township (Various Roads)

County Board

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

- K. Approving an Alteration of Speed Limit Within Kaneville Township & Virgil Township (Francis Road)

County Board

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

- L. Approving an Engineering Services Agreement with H.R. Green, Inc. of Aurora, Illinois for 2026 Structure Safety Inspections, Kane County Section No. 25-00590-00-EG

County Board

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

- M. Approving a Phase III Construction Engineering Services Agreement with Hampton, Lenzini and Renwick, Inc. of Elgin, Illinois for the Kirk Road Over the Union Pacific Railroad Project, Kane County Section No. 12-00192-04-BR
County Board

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

- N. Approving the Acquisition of Real Property for the Randall Road at Hopps Road Intersection and Canadian National Railroad Grade Separation Improvement, Kane County Section No. 19-00511-00-CH, Parcel No. 0001
County Board

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

- O. Approving Acquisition of Real Property for the Randall Road at Hopps Road Intersection and Canadian National Railroad Grade Separation Improvement, Kane County Section NO. 19-00511-00-CH, Parcel No. 0003 & Parcel No. 0003TE

County Board

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

- P. Approving the Acquisition of Real Property for Kirk Road Over Union Pacific Railroad Company Bridge Reconstruction Project in Geneva, Illinois, Kane County Section No. 12-00192-04-BR, Parcel No. 0001, Parcel No. 0001TE-1 & Parcel No. 0001TE-2

County Board

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

- Q.** Approving the Acquisition of Real Property for the Kirk Road Over Union Pacific Railroad Company Bridge Construction Project in Geneva, Illinois, Kane County Section No. 12-00192-04-BR, Parcel No. 0002 & Parcel No. 0002TE

County Board

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

Chairman Pierog recognized the passing of St. Charles Township Supervisor, Ronald Johnson. She commended the Kane County Division of Transportation (KDOT) for their notion of showing Johnson proper respect. She explained that numerous townships gathered together and had a parade of equipment before the church ceremony. She noted that Johnson's family expressed their gratitude.

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

A. Approving and Authorizing the Termination of Contract for Distribution of Kane County Property Tax Bills

Committee Member Juby asked why this contract was being terminated and would there be another contract to replace it to pay property tax bills? Committee Member Surges stated that the Treasurer's Office will go out to bid for this service. Committee Member Tepe explained that Treasurer Lauzen would like to change the tax bills and add a chart to each. In doing so, the Treasurer would like to use a separate company to accomplish this. Discussion ensued.

County Board

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

B. Proclamation Recognizing America’s 250th Anniversary Commemoration in Kane County

County Board

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

12. Executive Session (if needed)

None.

13. Committee Reports

A. Madam Chairman's Comments

Committee Member Surges recognized the passing of Village of Gilberts Trustee, Gordon "Gordy" Mueller. He spoke on his generational years of service. He expressed his condolences to the Mueller's family. Chairman Pierog asked for the Mueller's family's information so she can send them a bereavement card from the County Board.

Chairman Pierog spoke on her trip to Palo Alto, California for a National Association of Counties (NACo) conference. The speakers at the conference included Condoleezza Rice, General H.R. McMaster, and General Jim Mattis. Pierog spoke on her discussions with Toni Preckwinkle, Rice, and McMaster regarding their perception on national immigration enforcement and the interpretation of biases with minorities who serve in the military. She spoke on the activities, such as a war game. During this activity, a mock takeover of a data center occurred and it was the participants duty to figure out how to protect and supply the energy needed to keep operations going. She noted that this war game was going to be shared academically with other civic leaders. Pierog spoke on the materials NACo provided from their vantage point of what is happening here in Kane County. One of the concerns, is the high level of poverty among children throughout Kane County. Pierog stated that this issue could be something that the County could help alleviate. Another issue that is out of the County's control due to the reduction of funds for the American CARE Act, is the availability of health care for residents. Therefore, Pierog explained that those Kane County residents who have an emergency will go to the Emergency Room (ER) where services would be provided. In which, these not-for-profit hospitals are over challenged to handle the plethora of emergent cases. Therefore, many residents will have to turn to the Visiting Nursing Association (VNA) Health Care, the Kane County Health Department (KCHD), or urgent cares for increased services. Pierog explained that Kane County does not have direct health care services that could be provided to residents. She inquired if this is something the County would consider: providing health care services to those in need. She thanked the County Board for allowing her this opportunity to participate at the NACo Conference.

Committee Member Molina inquired about the Kane County Travel Purpose and Evaluation Form. She requested that something be put into writing that explains what the policy is for County Board Members to travel. She questioned the approval process steps when submitting the form. Much discussion ensued.

Lastly, Pierog spoke on a recent Security Bill that would allow elected officials to use their campaign money for a home security device in their residence due to safety concerns. She requested Legislative Committee Chairman Gumz to look further in this matter.

B. Legislative Update

Committee Member Gumz provided the Legislative Update. She stated that she is currently compiling the FY2026 legislative agendas. She explained that there will be conversations on potential bills for data centers throughout the State of Illinois. She noted that this is a large concern for many municipalities. Additionally, she explained that the State of Illinois is engaged in litigation with the federal government due to funding. However, on January 6, 2026, the Trump Administration determined that democrat states will not be receiving their federal funding. For the State of Illinois, this equates to \$1B of federal funding for childcare, which will affect the Kane County community. Gumz hopes that the Kane County Board will support funding these programs in the State of Illinois through resolution. She stated that those who wish to propose a bill to be passed, to present it to the Legislative Committee for discussion. Discussion ensued on potential bills.

C. All Other Committees

None.

14. Adjournment

RESULT:	APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE
MOVER:	Clifford Surges
SECONDER:	Bill Roth

This meeting was adjourned at 12:13 PM.

Savannah Zgobica
Sr. Recording Secretary