

# Kane County

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

# KC Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

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

Wednesday, April 2, 2025

9:00 AM

**County Board Room** 

#### 1. Call to Order

County Board Vice-Chairman Roth called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

#### 2. Roll Call

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

Also present: Co. Bd. Members Gripe, Penesis\*; Fin. Exec. Dir. Hopkinson; PIO Mann; SAO Chief of Civil Frank; ITD/BLD Exec. Dir. Fahnestock\* & staff Lasky\*, Lebo, Chidester, Peters; HRM Exec. Dir. Lobrillo; KCHD Exec. Dir. Isaacson\* & staff Snowden\*; Auditor Wegman; KDOT Deputy Dir. Rickert; KCSO Chief of Admin. Catich; KCAC Admin. Youngsteadt\*; and members of the press and public.

# 3. Remote Attendance Requests

COB Vice-Chairman Roth announced the remote attendance requests for today's meeting. He asked the Committee if there were any objections to Committee Members Gumz, Molina, and Strathmann attending today's meeting remotely. There were no objections.

# 4. Pledge of Allegiance

COB Vice-Chairman Roth asked Committee Member Linder to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

# 5. Approval of Minutes: March 5, 2025

RESULT: APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT

**MOVER:** Chris Kious

#### 6. Public Comment

Brian Anderson, Sugar Grove, mentioned that District 4 County Board Member, Mavis Bates would state that the outcome of the referendum was up to the voters at the awareness meetings held throughout Kane County. He explained that at the Consolidated Election on April 1, 2025 the referendum did not pass. Over 50K residents voted on the retail sales tax referendum. Only 16K voted yes and 34K voted no. Anderson explained that he came today to address the Executive Committee because the members are leaders and chairs of the standing committees. He stated it is time to do the work on becoming fiscally responsible. (Madam Chairman Pierog arrived in-person at 9:04 a.m). Anderson mentioned that he heard at these awareness meetings that Kane County may lose the 9-1-1 call center, in which he does not believe to be true. He spoke on Kane County employees' high salaries. He listed numerous ways the County could cut spending. Anderson stated that he has spent time with constituents at the Vaughn Center and heard that many people are tired of paying taxes. He urged the Committee to get to work.

Kane County resident, Ginger Romano, stated that she hopes the Kane County Board heard their constituents. She explained that 72.40% of mail-in ballots, 73.95% of those who early voted, and 77.87% of those who voted on election day voted no on the retail sales tax referendum. She stated that Burlington Township had a voter turnout of 33.26%, in which 94.41% opposed the retail sales tax referendum. Romano asked if the County Board heard them.

Kane County resident, Jenine Mehr, (Committee Member Allan arrived in-person at 9:07 a.m.) stated that the results of the Consolidated Election was a no confidence vote against the retail sales tax increase. She explained that more residents voted in the April 1, 2025 Consolidated Election than before. She noted that the average amount of voters was 50K and yesterday there were 68K. She mentioned that as a poll watcher she heard many residents state that this referendum was the reason they came to vote. The residents provided a resounding, no confidence vote. Mehr spoke on the County's budget and the anticipated cuts that will have to be made. She heard that \$96M out of the County's \$138M annual budget is allotted for public safety. In previous years when the annual budget was \$75M, \$48M or 65% went to public safety. Mehr stated that the spending for public safety has increased from \$48M to \$96M in approximately five years. She mentioned that she conducted her own research on the Illinois SAFE-T Act. She learned that the estimated annual financial increase for the Act was \$3M. However, Kane County's estimate was a \$13M increase per year. Mehr stated that there was a lot of access funding that was allotted to the public safety departments due to the implementation of SAFE-T Act. This funding will have to be cut back. Kane County has more than enough adequate funds for residents to live safely in

their homes.

# 7. Monthly Financials (K. Hopkinson)

# **A.** Monthly Finance Reports

Fin. Exec. Dir. Hopkinson stated the monthly financial reports were on file. She explained that the Finance Department is working on completing the 2024 Audit process. There is some outstanding information that the Finance Department has not received before the process can be finalized. Hopkinson spoke on the annual budget process. She noted that the process usually begins in March. The County Board will have to provide direction on how to build the FY2026 budget. Hopkinson stated that the 2025 Budget Document, which includes missions and outcomes and performance indicators of County departments/offices was submitted on Monday, March 31, 2025 to the Government Finance Officers' Association (GFOA) in hopes to receive the annual certificate. She noted that the document will be uploaded to the County website later this afternoon and a print out will be provided to County Board Members. She thanked staff Chris Boles for his help in revising the Budget Document to make it more understanding and useful. 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 stated that Kane County Connects has continued its outreach, with constituents mentioning that they have found it useful. She provided several efforts to showcase the work of the County, such as coverage of the election and Kane County Animal Control's Pet of the Week. She noted that there will be upcoming information about improvements to the Fabulous Fox! Water Trail. Mann recently appeared on WRMN in Elgin. She spoke on County initiatives. She stated that social media engagement is growing and urged County Board Members to follow the government site on FaceBook, Instagram, and LinkedIn. She mentioned that there are several other projects in the works. Madam Chairman Pierog encouraged those who do not follow Kane County Connects to do so and to be present on social media.

## 9. Old Business

None.

# 10. New Business

County Board Member Gripe inquired about the Budget Book. He questioned the location of the book, who is able to see the book, and when it would be made available. Fin. Exec. Dir. Hopkinson mentioned that the Budget Book will be uploaded to the County website this afternoon. She noted that all budget books from the past 20 years have been uploaded to the County Finance website. She explained that, even though it is not a requirement, numerous governments across the country file their audit report and budget book with the Government Finance Officers' Association (GFOA). The GFOA has the best practice criteria for ancillary information that should be included in an audit report and budget book. If the government agencies stick to the best practices for additional disclosers, the GFOA provides them with a Certificate of Achievement.

Hopkinson stated that the County does not have to do this, but it is important for the audit report. If the County were to issue bonds, banks would look favorably on an audit report that includes additional finance information. Hopkinson explained that the only thing that the County must do by law is what was adopted by the County Board on November 12, 2024. She mentioned that a hard copy of the budget book will be provided to County Board Members within the next few days. Hopkinson addressed additional questions and comments from the Committee. Discussion ensued.

# 11. Preliminary County Board Agenda:

# ------ CONSENT AGENDA ------

#### Administration

A. Authorizing the Purchase of Products and Services Through the Amazon Business Online Marketplace for the Building Management Department (Contract No. R-TC-17006)

Committee Member Kious motioned to move the following six resolutions forward, Juby seconded. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**County Board** 

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Chris Kious

SECONDER: Leslie Juby

**AYE:** Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

**B.** Authorizing the Contract Extension for Systemwide Flooring Through OMNIA's Shaw Integrated & Turf Solutions, Inc. Contract for the Building Management Department (Contract No. 2020002144)

**County Board** 

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Chris Kious

SECONDER: Leslie Juby

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

**ABSENT:** Clifford Surges

**C.** Authorizing Additional Spending From FY2025 Budget for Kane County Elevator Preventative Maintenance Services (BID# 23-011)

**County Board** 

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Chris Kious

SECONDER: Leslie Juby

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

**D.** Authorizing the Purchase of Products and Services Through the Amazon Business Online Marketplace for the Information Technologies Department (Contract No. R-TC-17006)

**County Board** 

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Chris Kious

SECONDER: Leslie Juby

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

**ABSENT:** Clifford Surges

**E.** Authorizing the Purchase of a Vehicle by the Kane County Sheriff's Office for the DCFS Liaison Deputy

**County Board** 

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Chris Kious

SECONDER: Leslie Juby

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

# F. Approving Extension for Temporary Employee Providers

**County Board** 

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Chris Kious

SECONDER: Leslie Juby

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

**ABSENT:** Clifford Surges

# **Agriculture**

**A.** 2025 Proclamation in Support of Agriculture in Kane County

Committee Member Juby motioned to move this proclamation forward and to be placed off consent on the County Board meeting agenda for next week's meeting, Roth seconded. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

County Board

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Leslie Juby

SECONDER: Bill Roth

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

**ABSENT:** Clifford Surges

## **County Development**

**A.** Designating Kane County Historic Landmark (Echo Valley Farm)

Committee Member Gumz motioned to move this resolution forward and to be placed off consent on the County Board agenda for next week's meeting, Juby seconded. Discussion ensued. Motion carried by a 11-3 vote.

# County Board

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board MOVER: Rick Williams SECONDER: Leslie Juby

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

**ABSENT:** Clifford Surges

#### **Executive**

**A.** Proclaiming April 22, 2025, as Earth Day in Kane County

Committee Member Juby motioned to move this proclamation forward and to be placed off consent on the County Board meeting agenda for next week's meeting, Linder seconded. Motion carried by a 13-1 vote.

County Board

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Bill Roth
SECONDER: Mavis Bates

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

#### **Finance**

A. Approving February 2025 Claims Paid

County Board

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Dale Berman

SECONDER: Michael Linder

**AYE:** Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

ABSENT: Clifford Surges

# **B.** Amending Kane County Financial Policies Related to Travel

Committee Member Gumz motioned to remove this resolution from on consent and place it off consent on the County Board agenda for next week's meeting, Juby seconded. Discussion ensued. Gumz and Juby rescinded their motion and second.

Committee Member Williams motioned to move this resolution back to the Human Services Committee for further discussion, Juby seconded. Discussion ensued. Motion failed by a 6-8 vote.

Committee Member Juby motioned to remove this resolution from the consent agenda and place it off consent on the County Board agenda for next week's meeting, Linder seconded. Discussion ensued on the reasoning as to why this would be placed off consent on the County Board agenda. Gumz explained her anticipated amendments to this resolution. Discussion ensued. Juby and Linder rescinded their motion and second. Further discussion ensued.

Committee Member Sanchez motioned to postpone the vote on this resolution until next month's Executive Committee meeting, Strathmann seconded. Motion failed by a 6-7 vote, with one Committee member away.

Juby motioned to reconsider the motion to move this resolution back to the Human Services Committee meeting on Wednesday, April 9, 2025, Linder seconded. Motion passed by a 13-0 vote, with one member away. A roll call vote was retaken to send this resolution back to the Human Services Committee. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

#### KC Human Services Committee

RESULT: HELD OVER

**TO:** KC Human Services Committee

MOVER: Rick Williams
SECONDER: Leslie Juby

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

**ABSENT:** Clifford Surges

C. Authorizing New Job Position and Emergency Budget Adjustment to Fund 101 for the GIS-Technologies Department

Committee Member Bates motioned to move this resolution forward, Sanchez seconded. Fin. Exec. Dir. Hopkinson and ITD/BLD Exec. Dir. Fahnestock addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Discussion ensued. Motion passed by a 11-3 vote.

# **County Board**

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Mavis Bates

SECONDER: Jarett Sanchez

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Leslie Juby, Chris

Kious, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl

Strathmann, Vern Tepe, and Bill Roth

**NAY:** Michelle Gumz, Anita Lewis, and Rick Williams

**D.** Authorizing Reimbursement to the Kane County Sheriff's Office for Costs Expended for the Administrative Wing Project (Resolution No. 23-394)

Committee Member Berman motioned to move this resolution forward, Kious seconded. Discussion ensued. Committee Member Juby explained that herself and the Finance Committee members received a suggested amendment from the Kane County Auditor addressing this resolution.

Juby motioned to amend this resolution to replace the original NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED clause with the following: NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Kane County Board that the Kane County Finance Department is directed to take all necessary steps to facilitate this reimbursement payment, upon the Kane County Sheriff's Office's submission of a personal expense voucher through the County's ERP system for payment from Line Item #500.800.805.72010 to the Kane County Sheriff's Office's agency account in the amount of \$205,179.62 (Two Hundred Five Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Nine Dollars and Sixty-Two Cents) for costs paid to the Vendor for the Project. Roth seconded the motion to amend. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

The original motion, including the motion to amend, passed by a 13-1 vote.

# **County Board**

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Dale Berman

SECONDER: Chris Kious

**AYE:** Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie Juby, Chris

Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett

Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, and Bill

Roth

NAY: Deborah Allan

ABSENT: Clifford Surges

# Judicial/Public Safety

A. Proclaiming April 13-19, 2025 National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week

Committee Member Molina motioned to move this resolution forward and to be placed off consent on the County Board agenda for next week's meeting, Juby seconded. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

# County Board

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Myrna Molina

SECONDER: Leslie Juby

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

**ABSENT:** Clifford Surges

B. Recognizing April as National Volunteer Appreciation Month

Committee Member Molina motioned to move this resolution forward and to be placed off consent on the County Board agenda for next week's meeting, Roth seconded. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

# County Board

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board MOVER: Myrna Molina

**SECONDER:** Bill Roth

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

#### **Public Health**

A. Animal Control DEA License Application

Committee Member Kious motioned to move resolutions A, C, and D forward, Sanchez seconded. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**County Board** 

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Chris Kious

SECONDER: Jarett Sanchez

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

**ABSENT:** Clifford Surges

**B.** Kane County Recognizes the Kane County Medical Reserve Corps Volunteers During National Volunteer Appreciation Month

Committee Member Kious motioned to move this proclamation forward and to be placed off consent on the County Board agenda for next week's meeting, Juby seconded. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**County Board** 

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Chris Kious

SECONDER: Leslie Juby

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

**C.** Authorizing Acceptance of FY25-26 IDHS Reimagine Public Safety Act (RPSA) Community Convener Grant

**County Board** 

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Chris Kious

SECONDER: Jarett Sanchez

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

**ABSENT:** Clifford Surges

Authorizing Acceptance of Amendment to Family Run Organization Agreement
 County Board

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Chris Kious

SECONDER: Jarett Sanchez

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

# **Transportation**

A. Approving a \$163,386.00 Contract for the Purchase of Three (3) 2025 Ford F-350 Truck Cab & Chassis for the Kane County Division of Transportation - Units 24, 28 & 29

Committee Member Tepe motioned to move the following 16 resolutions forward, Sanchez seconded. KDOT Deputy Dir. Rickert addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Discussion ensued. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

# County Board

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Vern Tepe

SECONDER: Jarett Sanchez

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

**ABSENT:** Clifford Surges

B. Approving Adopt-A-Highway Applicants

County Board

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Vern Tepe

SECONDER: Jarett Sanchez

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

**C.** Approving a \$25,000.00 Deposit for Five (5) 2026 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: Jarett Sanchez

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

**ABSENT:** Clifford Surges

D. Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Illinois Public Works Mutual Aid Network (IPWMAN) for Membership Participation and Mutual Aid Assistance County Board

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Vern Tepe

SECONDER: Jarett Sanchez

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

E. Authorizing Applications for and Execution of FY2024 and FY2025 Grant Agreements Under the Section 5310 Funds Program for Ride in Kane County Board

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Vern Tepe

SECONDER: Jarett Sanchez

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

**ABSENT:** Clifford Surges

**F.** Approving a \$193,746.89 Contract for Construction with D. Construction, Inc. of Coal City, Illinois for the Keslinger Road Box Culvert Extension and Guardrail Removal Project, Kane County Section No. 24-00575-00-DR

**County Board** 

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Vern Tepe

SECONDER: Jarett Sanchez

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

**G.** Approving a \$260,071.50 Contract for Construction with Martam Construction, Inc. of Elgin, Illinois for the LaFox Road Pedestrian Box Culvert Repair Project, Kane County Section No. 24-00574-00-BT

**County Board** 

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Vern Tepe

SECONDER: Jarett Sanchez

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

**ABSENT:** Clifford Surges

H. Approving a \$6,248,000.00 Contract for Construction with Builders Paving, LLC of Hillside, Illinois for 2025 Kane County Resurfacing Project, Kane County Section No. 24-00576-00-RS

County Board

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Vern Tepe

SECONDER: Jarett Sanchez

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

I. Approving a \$125,000.00 Appropriation to the Forest Preserve District of Kane County for Improvements to Buffalo Park and Brunner Family Forest Preserves County Board

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Vern Tepe

SECONDER: Jarett Sanchez

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

**ABSENT:** Clifford Surges

J. Approving a \$100,000.00 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: Jarett Sanchez

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

K. Approving a \$372,811.00 Engineering Services Agreement with H.R. Green, Inc. of Aurora, Illinois for 2025 Structure Safety Inspections, Kane County Section No. 25-00579-00-EG

**County Board** 

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Vern Tepe

SECONDER: Jarett Sanchez

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

**ABSENT:** Clifford Surges

L. Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the State of Illinois for \$58,885.20 for Phase III Construction for Illinois Route 47/U.S. Route 30 at Waterpark Way to Jericho Road

**County Board** 

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Vern Tepe

SECONDER: Jarett Sanchez

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

M. Approving a \$483,483.00 Contract for Construction with Builders Paving, LLC of Hillside, Illinois for the 2025 Blackberry Township Road District, Section No. 25-04000-01-GM

**County Board** 

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Vern Tepe

SECONDER: Jarett Sanchez

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

**ABSENT:** Clifford Surges

N. Approving a \$175,398.75 Contract for Construction with Peter Baker & Son Co. of Lake Bluff, Illinois for 2025 Burlington Township Road District, Section No. 25-05000-01-GM

**County Board** 

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Vern Tepe

SECONDER: Jarett Sanchez

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

O. Approving a \$387,887.00 Contract for Construction with Builders Paving, LLC of Hillside, Illinois for 2025 Kaneville Township Road District, Section No. 25-11000-01-GM

**County Board** 

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Vern Tepe

SECONDER: Jarett Sanchez

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

**ABSENT:** Clifford Surges

P. Approving a \$991,000.30 Contract for Construction with Plote Construction, Inc. of Hoffman Estates, Illinois for 2025 St. Charles Township Road District, Section No. 25-14000-01-GM

**County Board** 

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: County Board

MOVER: Vern Tepe

SECONDER: Jarett Sanchez

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Leslie

Juby, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams,

and Bill Roth

**ABSENT:** Clifford Surges

#### -----END OF CONSENT AGENDA ------

# 12. Executive Session (if needed)

None.

#### 13. Committee Reports

#### A. Madam Chairman's Comments

Chairman Pierog explained that when County Board Member, Bill Roth, was selected to be the Vice-Chairman of the Board, he requested to conduct a review of the budget

process for FY2026. At that time, Pierog asked Roth to present his proposal and recommendations for the FY2026 budget process. She added that this will be provided at next week's County Board meeting. Secondly, she spoke on the Ethics Commission and Ethics Officer. She explained that the Ethics Officer will be replaced as the current officer is retiring. She noted that the Ethics Commission is different than the Ethics Officer. Pierog explained that she has asked Public Information Officer (PIO) Mann and HRM Exec. Dir. Lobrillo to develop a position description for the volunteer community committee. The description will be sent out via newspaper public announcement, in hopes to receive applications from those who are interested in serving this commission. Once applications are received, it will be forwarded to the Executive Committee for review. Pierog explained that once the Executive Committee has reviewed the applications, it would be forwarded to herself for further review. Then the selected group will be presented to the County Board for approval. Thirdly, Pierog stated that the Workforce Development Board has selected an interim executive director, Mr. John Duguay. Duguay will be introduced to staff tomorrow, April 3, 2025. His official start will be Monday, April 7, 2025. Pierog noted that this is not a full-time position. She explained that Duguay will be working with staff to ensure all duties and responsibilities are being met. Additionally, Pierog has asked County department heads for an update on potential federal and/or state grant reductions that their department could face. The Kane County Health Department (KCHD) is expecting a federal grant reduction of \$750K. Next, Pierog explained that she had a discussion with department heads about the lack of usage of County vehicles. She stated that a potential policy could be put forth to ensure that County employees are using these vehicles during their work hours. She noted that this will help with the General Fund expense of mileage reimbursement. She stated that this discussion will be brought to the Administration Committee. Lastly, Pierog congratulated all those who won in the Consolidated Election. She spoke on the 75% rejection result on the retail sales tax referendum for public safety. She suggested because of the immediacy and challenges of making budget cuts, a substantive review of the budget would have to be completed. She noted that it is the decision of the County Board on how to address the budget. Pierog requested that members start to take a look on how to address these issues now, rather than at the end of the year. She stated that a Special Finance Committee meeting will be held to discuss the budget and those recommendations will be brought to this Committee for review. She explained that the County Board must be thoughtful and responsible to the community and staff. She requested that party politics be put aside.

#### B. Legislative Update

Committee Member Gumz provided the Legislative Update. (Committee Member Williams left at 10:51 a.m.) She reported that the Legislative Committee has a few bills that have made it through the House, along with others that are not moving. She spoke on her trip to Washington D.C. for the Legislative Convention in March 2025. She stated that the County's lobbyist team scheduled several meetings with all of the state legislators. Additionally, she was able to sit through numerous sessions. Gumz stated that she will provide a more thorough analysis on the benefits of this trip. Gumz voiced her disappointment on the lack of answers due to the uncertainty of the current federal administration. Additionally, the President did not come to speak to the association, which is typically done. She explained that Republican colleagues decided to place a hold on Kane County's federal directed spending. Gumz noted that neither Democrats

or Republicans received the money that was promised to them by the federal government. She stated that the County's lobbyist team is currently working to get these items resubmitted. She noted that all County elected officials and department heads have been notified. Secondly, Gumz stated that she went to Springfield for a day of lobbying and to attend meetings with all available legislators. She noted that more legislative items will be discussed at the next County Board meeting. Lastly, Gumz stated that the Legislative Committee sent a letter of opposition on a bill that is not moving through the legislative process. There has been language changes to the leasing of county property bill, which may or may not come to fruition. Discussion ensued. (Committee Member Berman left at 10:56 a.m.) Gumz added that she will continue to seek federal and state monies for County projects.

C. All Other Committees

None.

# 14. Adjournment

RESULT: APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE

**MOVER:** Bill Roth

**SECONDER:** Jarett Sanchez

This meeting was adjourned at 10:57 AM.

Savannah Zgobica Sr. Recording Secretary