



Kane County

KC Public Service Committee

Meeting Minutes

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

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

Thursday, November 21, 2024

9:00 AM

County Board Room

1. Call To Order

Chairman Sanchez called today's meeting to order at 9:05 AM.

2. Roll Call

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

Also present: Co. Bd. members Juby, Kenyon, Molina*, Roth; Treasurer Lauzen; SOA Armstrong; ROE Dal Santo and staff Morris; VAC Supt. Zimmerman; Co. Clerk staff Pollock; ITD staff Peters; and members of the press and public.

3. Remote Attendance Requests

Chairman Sanchez announced the remote attendance requests for today's meeting. He asked the Committee if there were any objections to Committee Member Surges attending remotely. There were no objections.

4. Approval of Minutes: October 17, 2024

RESULT:	APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT
MOVER:	Vern Tepe

5. Public Comment

None.

6. Finance

A. Monthly Report

The monthly report is on file. No additional report was made.

7. Recorder

A. Monthly Report

The monthly report is on file. No additional report was made.

8. Treasurer / Collector**A. Monthly Report**

Treasurer Lauzen stated that the total property taxes increased to 6%. The e-checks and ACH processing increased by 15%. Lastly, the percentage collected from taxpayers this year was 99.97%.

9. Supervisor of Assessments**A. Monthly Report**

SOA Armstrong stated that the assessment complaints are nearly finished. He provided the monthly and year-to-date summaries of work performed by the Kane County Assessment Office. He stated that the final deadline for all Board of Review filings were passed. The number of assessment-complaint dockets filed by Kane County taxpayers decreased by 15% from last year. Lastly, there was a 25% decrease in parcel count from 2023.

10. Regional Office of Education

Regional Office of Education (ROE) Supt., Dal Santo, announced that Asst. Regional Supt., Oliver, will be retiring on July 1, 2025. Batavia resident, John Jonak, will succeed Oliver effectively on that same date.

ROE Dir. of Tech., Morris, stated that the ROE main office is a public space where several services take place including fingerprinting, General Education Development (GED), and Pearson testing. This past year, 4,300 people were fingerprinted, 700 people were GED tested, and 1,500 people were Pearson tested. Currently, there are over 10K managed teacher licenses in the county.

11. Veteran's Assistance Commission**A. Monthly Report**

Veteran's Assistance Commission (VAC) Supt. Zimmerman stated that new monetary awards for the fiscal year to Veterans reflects \$8.2M. The VAC was a recipient of the Department of Labors Higher Veteran Platinum Medallion Award. There were 839 recipients nationwide. Fermilab was the additional Kane County award recipient. Lastly, the VAC is keeping an eye on the Presidential transition to see what impacts there will be for Veterans in Kane County.

12. County Clerk

A. Monthly Report

Co. Clerk staff Pollock stated the election has officially ended. He thanked the Public Service Committee for their support. The new voting machines were a success. Partners in Law Enforcement and the State's Attorney's Office started a program with the Sheriff's Office and local law enforcement to provide additional security, guidance, and preparedness to the election judges and voters. The Clerk's Office is prepping for the Consolidated Primary Election held on February 25, 2025, and the April Consolidated Election.

13. Other Business

None.

14. Executive Session (If Needed)

None.

15. Reports Placed On File

RESULT:	APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT
MOVER:	Rick Williams

16. Adjournment

RESULT:	APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE
MOVER:	Rick Williams
SECONDER:	David Young

This meeting was adjourned at 9:46 a.m.

Rachel Santora
Recording Secretary