

Kane County

KC Agriculture Committee

Agenda

JUBY, Roth, Allan, Lenert, Penesis, Sanchez, Williams and ex-officio Pierog (County Chair)

Wednesday, December 18, 2024 10:30 AM County Board Room

2025 Committee Goals

- Goals from the July Agriculture Committee meeting
- 1. Revise County Code Definition of the Agriculture Committee

2. Awareness & Support of Agriculture - Raise public awareness and support for agriculture in Kane County as an industry sector and community resource

3. Farmland Protection - Work in concert with the Farmland Protection Commission and County Board to oversee the successful implementation of Kane County's Farmland Protection Ordinance and related conservation efforts, and pursue funding

4. Continue Growing for Kane Program - Direct the implementation of programs and policies that expand the production of locally grown foods and improve community access to fresh and healthy food choices, and pursue funding

- Continue partnerships with the Kane County Farm Bureau and the Northern Illinois Food Bank
- Implement current grant funded projects
- Continue to apply for additional outside grants
- Implement economic development projects for Agriculture
- ARPA Small grants for farmers
- Other projects identified by the Economic Development Strategic Plan for Kane County

1. Call To Order

- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Remote Attendance Requests
- 4. Approval of Minutes: November 21, 2024
- 5. Public Comment
- 6. Partners
- 7. Presentations/Announcements
 - **A.** Farmland Protection Program Overview (Sarahy Castro, Farmland Preservation Administrator)
 - **B.** Growing for Kane Program Overview (Matt Tansley, Planner)
- 8. New Business

9. Reports Placed On File

- 10. Executive Session (if needed)
- 11. Adjournment

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FARMLAND PROTECTION PROGRAM OVERVIEW (SARAHY CASTRO, FARMLAND PRESERVATION ADMINISTRATOR)

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GROWING FOR KANE PROGRAM OVERVIEW (MATT TANSLEY, PLANNER)