



Kane County

KC Agriculture Committee

Agenda

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

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

Thursday, October 23, 2025

10:30 AM

County Board Room

2025 Committee Goals

Goals from the July Agriculture Committee meeting

- Revise County Code Definition of the Agriculture Committee
 - Awareness & Support of Agriculture - Raise public awareness and support for agriculture in Kane County as an industry sector and community resource
 - 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
 - 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 Kane County Farm Bureau and 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
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1. Call To Order

2. Roll Call

3. Remote Attendance Requests

4. Approval of Minutes: September 18, 2025

5. Public Comment

6. Partners

A. Kane County Farm Bureau Updates (Steve Arnold, Manager)

B. Kane-DuPage Soil and Water Conservation District Updates (Kat Gerdtz, Administrative Coordinator)

C. Northern Illinois Food Bank Updates

7. Presentations/Announcements

- A. Farmer Weatherization Rebate Program (Austin Powell, Sustainability Coordinator)
- B. Soil Health and Economic Impact Assessment Outreach (Matt Tansley, Planner)

- 8. **New Business**
- 9. **Reports Placed On File**
- 10. **Executive Session (if needed)**
- 11. **Adjournment**