



McHenry County
County Board - Regular Meeting
MINUTES

October 15, 2024, 7:00 PM
County Board Room
Administration Building, 667 Ware Rd., Woodstock, IL 60098

Members Present: Pamela Althoff (D6), Carolyn Campbell (D3), Joseph Gottemoller (D4), Terri Greeno (D5), Eric Hendricks (D3), Carl Kamienski (D6), Jim Kearns (D9), Matt Kunkle (D1), Theresa Meshes (D1), Louissett Ness (D7), John Reinert (D2), Brian Sager (D7), Mike Shorten (D4), Michael Skala (D9), Larry Smith (D8), Gloria Van Hof (D2), Tracie Von Bergen (D8), Kelli Wegener (D5), Chairman Mike Buehler

Full comments on all agenda items are included in the video recording of this meeting.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Buehler at 7:00 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ms. Greeno led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. INVOCATION

Ms. Ness gave the Invocation.

4. INTRODUCTORY ROLL CALL

Mr. Skala made a motion seconded by Mr. Sager to allow Mr. Shorten to attend the meeting remotely. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

5. ADOPT THE AGENDA

Mover: Skala

Second: Kamienski

To adopt the Agenda as presented.

Approved by Voice

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Mover: Skala
Second: Ness

To approve the Minutes as presented below.

Approved by Voice

- 6.a County Board- Committee of the Whole- Sept 12, 2024
- 6.b County Board- Regular Meeting- Sept 17, 2024
- 6.c County Board - Special Budget Committee of the Whole - Sept 26, 2024

7. CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS / REPORT

Chairman Buehler spoke. Full comments can be heard on the McHenry County website at 0:06:29 of the audio.

8. MEMBERS' COMMENTS

The following members spoke: Ms. Ness, Mr. Reinert, Mr. Sager, Ms. Wegener. County Clerk Joseph Tirio also spoke. Full comments can be heard on the McHenry County website at 0:08:11 of the audio.

9. SPECIAL RECOGNITION

- 9.a Proclamation Designating the Importance of Manufacturing to our Community and Declaring October as National Manufacturing Month in McHenry County (12)

Mr. Skala read the Proclamation into the record. Full comments can be heard on the McHenry County website at 0:22:31 of the audio.

Mover: Skala
Second: Meshes

To approve a Proclamation declaring October as National Manufacturing Month in McHenry County.

Approved by Voice

- 9.b Honoring McHenry County Veterans and Affirming Participation in Operation Green Light for Veterans (12)

Ms. Ness and Mr. Kamienski read the Proclamation into the record. Full comments can be heard on the McHenry County website at 0:24:08 of the audio.

Mover: Kamienski
Second: Ness

To approve a Proclamation honoring McHenry County's veterans and affirming its participation in the National Association of County's Operation Green Light for Veterans.

Approved by Voice

10. ZONING PETITIONS

- 10.a Zoning Consent Agenda

Ms. Von Bergen requested Agenda 10.a.3 be removed from the Zoning Board Consent Agenda.

Mover: Smith
Second: Althoff

To approve the Zoning Consent Agenda

Aye (18): Althoff, Campbell, Gottemoller, Greeno, Hendricks, Kamienski, Kearns, Kunkle, Meshes, Ness, Reinert, Sager, Shorten, Skala, Smith, Van Hof, Von Bergen, and Wegener

Approved (18 to 0)

10.a.1 2024-034 Fitzgerald Woodstock Enterprises III LLC, Seneca Twp, A1-A2 (Requires majority vote of members present.)

Mover: Smith
Second: Althoff

To approve 2024-034 Fitzgerald Woodstock Enterprises III LLC

Approved

10.a.2 2024-026 Miller, Greenwood Twp, A1-A1C (Requires majority vote of members present.)

Mover: Smith
Second: Althoff

To approve 2024-026 Miller

Approved

10.a.3 2024-048 RDC IL BRINK LLC, Hartford Twp, A1-A1C (Requires majority vote of members present.)

Ms. Von Bergen spoke. Full comments can be heard on the McHenry County website at 0:28:50 of the audio.

Mover: Skala
Second: Wegener

To approve 2024-048 RDC IL BRINK LLC

Aye (12): Althoff, Campbell, Gottemoller, Kamienski, Meshes, Ness, Reinert, Sager, Skala, Smith, Van Hof, and Wegener

Nay (6): Greeno, Hendricks, Kearns, Kunkle, Shorten, and Von Bergen

Approved (12 to 6)

10.b Zoning Regular Agenda

10.c Zoning Unfinished Business

11. PLATS

12. PUBLIC COMMENT

The following individuals spoke:

Mark Novak of Crystal Lake spoke against the levy of taxes for fiscal year December 1, 2024 through November 30, 2025.

Bruce Johnson of Trout Valley spoke against the levy of taxes for fiscal year December 1, 2024 through November 30, 2025.

Rich Clements of McHenry spoke against the levy of taxes for fiscal year December 1, 2024 through November 30, 2025.

Rachel Johnson of Crystal Lake spoke against the levy of taxes for fiscal year December 1, 2024 through November 30, 2025.

Mike Iwanicki, VAC Superintendent, spoke in appreciation of McHenry County's participation and support of Operation Green Light.

Full comments can be heard on the McHenry County website at 0:30:06 of the audio.

13. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

14. APPOINTMENTS

14.a Appointment to the McHenry County Hearing Officer as of October 15, 2024 (12)

Mover: Skala

Second: Gottemoller

To approve the appointments to the McHenry County Hearing Officer as of October 15, 2024.

Aye (18): Althoff, Campbell, Gottemoller, Greeno, Hendricks, Kamienski, Kearns, Kunkle, Meshes, Ness, Reinert, Sager, Shorten, Skala, Smith, Van Hof, Von Bergen, and Wegener

Approved (18 to 0)

15. STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON UPDATES / LIAISON REPORTS

The following members spoke: Ms. Althoff, Ms. Greeno and Mr. Kearns. Deputy Administrator Scott Hartman also spoke. Full comments can be heard on the McHenry County website at 0:44:22 of the audio.

16. ROUTINE CONSENT AGENDA

Wegener to abstain from 16.b.2.3

Mover: Skala

Second: Gottemoller

To approve the Routine Consent Agenda

Aye (18): Althoff, Campbell, Gottemoller, Greeno, Hendricks, Kamienski, Kearns, Kunkle, Meshes, Ness, Reinert, Sager, Shorten, Skala, Smith, Van Hof, Von Bergen, and Wegener

Approved (18 to 0)

16.a Receipt of Statutory Reports and Placed on File

16.a.1 County Clerk/Recorder

16.a.1.1 October 2024 Clerk And Recorder Board Report

16.a.2 Emergency Management Agency

16.a.2.1 EMA Report September 2024

16.a.3 Public Defender

16.a.3.1 Public Defender September Monthly Report

16.a.4 Coroner Report

16.a.4.1 Coroner Monthly Report September 2024

16.a.5 Sheriff's Report

16.a.5.1 Sheriff's Monthly Report: September 2024

16.b Approve the Following Recommendations

16.b.1 Administrative Services

16.b.1.2 Resolution Supporting Comcast Communications Connect Illinois Round 4 Broadband Expansion Application (06)

Mover: Skala
Second: Gottemoller

Approve a resolution supporting Comcast Communications' application to the State of Illinois Office of Broadband Connect Illinois Round 4 for broadband expansion grant money.

Approved

16.b.2 Finance and Audit

16.b.2.1 Resolution Authorizing the Adoption of Salary Ranges for Fiscal year 2024-2025 (09)

Mover: Skala
Second: Gottemoller

Direct the Director of Human Resources to implement and enforce the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Grade and Range chart/plan (see attached) with a 1.75% increase effective December 1, 2024.

Approved

16.b.2.2 Resolution Establishing 2025 Medical Plans, Premium Cost Sharing Percentages, and Incentives for the Period of 1/1/2025 Through 12/31/2025 (09)

Mover: Skala
Second: Gottemoller

Approve recommended changes to the County's medical plans, cost sharing percentages/costs and incentives.

Approved

16.b.2.3 Resolution Authorizing Senior Services Grant Funding Allocations for Program Year 2025 (10)

Mover: Skala
Second: Gottemoller

To approve a resolution authorizing allocations of Senior Services Grant funding for program year 2025

Approved

16.b.2.4 Resolution Authorizing a Five-Year Contract with Election Systems and Software (ES&S) for License, Maintenance and Support Fees (14)

Mover: Skala
Second: Gottemoller

Authorization to enter into a five-year agreement with ES&S for software and services in support of the election equipment and software used by the Clerk to facilitate elections.

Approved

16.b.2.5 Resolution Authorizing a Two (2) Year Contract with Fox Valley Fire and Safety of Elgin IL. with Two (2) Additional Option Years (16)

Mover: Skala
Second: Gottemoller

Approve the acceptance of the proposal from Fox Valley Fire and Safety of Elgin IL for Fire Alarm, Fire Sprinkler and Fire Extinguisher Maintenance Service, Testing and Repair in the amount of \$45,231 for FY2025 and \$47,841 for FY2026.

Approved

16.b.2.6 Resolution Abolishing Working Cash 1 & 2 Account and Emergency Appropriation to the 2024 Budget (17)

Mover: Skala
Second: Gottemoller

To approve a resolution abolishing working cash 1 & 2 account.

Approved

16.b.2.7 Resolution to Purchase Eighteen Cisco DDR4 64GB RAM Modules in FY2024 (20)

Mover: Skala
Second: Gottemoller

To approve Resolution to Purchase Eighteen (18) Cisco DDR4 64GB RAM Modules in FY 2024.

Approved

16.b.2.8 Resolution to Purchase Tungston Power PDF Advanced Licensing and Five Years Maintenance and Support in FY2024 (20)

Mover: Skala
Second: Gottemoller

To approve Resolution to Purchase Tungston Power PDF Advanced Licensing and Five Years Maintenance and Support.

Approved

16.b.2.9 Resolution to Approve the Payment to Stanard and Associates Inc. for Sheriff Promotional Testing Services (28)

Mover: Skala
Secunder: Gottemoller

Authorize the payment for services to Stanard and Associates, Inc. not to exceed \$43,807.15 from FY 2023-24 funds 404920-28-2800-100 for the development and administration of a promotional exam for Sergeant's and Lieutenant's.

Approved

16.b.2.10 Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of a New Dodge Durango for the County Coroner's Office and an Emergency Appropriation to the County Coroner's FY24 Budget (31)

Mover: Skala
Secunder: Gottemoller

Approve Purchase of Dodge Durango and funds to be used by the 303 Coroner Special Fund.

Approved

16.b.2.11 Resolution Authorizing a Contract with Bob Barker Company of Fuqua-Varina, NC for Inmate Textiles and Clothing for Two Base Years (12/01/24—11/30/26) and Two Additional Option Years (12/1/26-11/30/28) (32)

Mover: Skala
Secunder: Gottemoller

Authorization to enter into a contract with Bob Barker for inmate textiles and clothing for two base years and two additional option years.

Approved

16.b.2.12 Resolution Authorizing the Funding of Three Roster Positions in Corrections (32015399,32018799,32020999) to be used for Onboarding During the Duration of Current and Future Lake County Inmate Housing Contracts (32)

Mover: Skala
Secunder: Gottemoller

Authorize funding three unfunded roster positions in the Sheriff's Office for the duration of the current and future Lake County Inmate Housing Contract.

Approved

16.b.2.13 Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of One (1) RAM Promaster 3500 Tradesman Cargo Van Super High Roof 159" WB for use by McHenry County Emergency Management Agency (34)

Mover: Skala
Second: Gottemoller

To approve the purchase of an outfitted Dodge Promaster 3500 as a mobile command post.

Approved

16.b.2.14 Resolution Authorizing the Acceptance of Grant Award from Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, the Creation of One Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) Clinician Position, and an Emergency Appropriation to the FY24 Budget (42)

Mover: Skala
Second: Gottemoller

Approve a resolution authorizing the acceptance of a grant award from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) in the amount of \$1,640,615.00, the creation of one Assisted Outpatient Treatment Clinician in the Court Administration roster and an emergency appropriation to the Court Administration FY2024 budget in the amount of \$402,700.00.

Approved

16.b.2.15 Resolution Approving a Policy for Finance and Audit Committee Oversight of the Division of Transportation (82)

Mover: Skala
Second: Gottemoller

To approve a policy for Finance and Audit Committee oversight of the Division of Transportation.

Approved

16.b.2.16 Resolution Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the McHenry County Division of Transportation and the 22nd Judicial Circuit, Office of Special Projects for the Provision of Transportation Services in FY2025 and Appropriating Funds (82)

Mover: Skala
Second: Gottemoller

To approve an intergovernmental agreement with the McHenry County Specialty Courts for client transportation and appropriating funds.

Approved

16.b.3 Law & Government/Liquor

16.b.4 Planning, Environment & Development

16.b.5 Public Health & Community Services

16.b.6 Transportation

16.b.6.1 Resolution to Approve Adopt-A-Highway Group Agreement (V34-03, V23-02) (82)

Mover: Skala
Seconded: Gottemoller

To approve the inclusion of the identified group(s) into the McHenry County Division of Transportation (MCDOT) Adopt-A-Highway Program:

MCHS Environmental Club - Walkup Road from Crystal Springs Rd. to Pleasant Hill Rd.
Lou Malnati's Kindness Rocks - Lakewood Road from Ackman Road to Miller Road

Approved

16.b.6.2 Resolution Approving a Contract and Appropriating Funds for Professional Land Acquisition Services for the Bull Valley Road Multi-Use Path Project (82)

Mover: Skala
Seconded: Gottemoller

To approve an agreement for Land Acquisition Management Services for the Bull Valley Road multi-use path project.

Approved

16.b.6.3 Resolution Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the State of Illinois and Appropriating Funds for the County's Hunter Road over Little Beaver Creek Bridge Replacement Project (82)

Mover: Skala
Seconded: Gottemoller

To approve an Intergovernmental Agreement between McHenry County and the State of Illinois

and appropriate funds for the Hunter Road over Little Beaver Creek (056-3034) Bridge Replacement Project.

Approved

16.b.6.4 Resolution Awarding a Contract for FY2025 Traffic Signal and Highway Lighting Maintenance Contract and Appropriating Funds (82)

Mover: Skala
Seconded: Gottemoller

Approving a resolution appropriating funds for the FY2025 traffic signal maintenance program for the County's traffic signals and roadway lighting systems.

Approved

16.b.6.5 Resolution Awarding a Contract For 2025 Guardrail Maintenance and Appropriating Funds (82)

Mover: Skala
Seconded: Gottemoller

For consideration is a resolution appropriating funds and awarding a multi-year contract for the FY2025 - FY2028 guardrail maintenance to maintain County owned guardrails.

Approved

16.b.6.6 Resolution Appropriating Funds for Roadway Lighting and Traffic Signal Electrical Power (82)

Mover: Skala
Second: Gottemoller

To approve the resolution appropriating funds for electrical power for the Division of Transportation's roadway lighting and traffic signal systems.

Approved

16.b.7 Valley Hi Operating

16. ROUTINE CONSENT AGENDA

16.b Approve the Following Recommendations

16.b.1.1 Resolution Supporting Frontier Communications Connect Illinois Round 4 Broadband Expansion Application (06)

Ms. Wegener spoke. Full comments can be heard on the McHenry County website at 0:49:05 of the audio.

Mover: Skala
Second: Sager

Approve a resolution supporting Frontier Communications' application to the State of Illinois Office of Broadband Connect Illinois Round 4 for broadband expansion grant money.

Aye (18): Althoff, Campbell, Gottemoller, Greeno, Hendricks, Kamienski, Kearns, Kunkle, Meshes, Ness, Reinert, Sager, Shorten, Skala, Smith, Van Hof, Von Bergen, and Wegener

Approved (18 to 0)

17. ORDINANCES

17.a For Review

17.a.1 An Ordinance Providing for the Levy of Taxes for McHenry County, Illinois for the Fiscal Year December 1, A.D., 2024 through November 30, A.D., 2025 (18)

The following members spoke: Mr. Hendricks and Mr. Gottemoller. Assistant State's Attorney Kyle Bruett also spoke. Full comments can be heard on the McHenry County website at 0:55:45 of the audio.

To approve an Ordinance providing for the levy of taxes for McHenry County, Illinois for the fiscal year December 1, 2024, through November 30, 2025.

17.a.2 Annual Budget and Appropriations Ordinance for the County of McHenry, Illinois for the Fiscal Year December 1, A.D., 2024 through November 30, A.D., 2025 (18)

To approve the annual budget and appropriations ordinance for the County of McHenry, Illinois for the Fiscal Year December 1, 2024, through November 30, 2025.

17.b For Action

17.b.1 Ordinance Adopting the Establishment of an Altered Speed Zone on Charles Road (82)

Mover: Meshes

Secunder: Smith

To establish an altered speed zone on Chales Road, a County Highway.

Aye (10): Althoff, Campbell, Gottemoller, Greeno, Kamienski, Ness, Reinert, Shorten, Van Hof, and Wegener

Nay (8): Hendricks, Kearns, Kunkle, Meshes, Sager, Skala, Smith, and Von Bergen

Approved (10 to 8)

17.b.2 Ordinance Adopting the Establishment of an Altered Speed Zone on Main Street (82)

Mover: Gottemoller

Secunder: Althoff

To establish an altered speed zone on Main Street, a County Highway.

Aye (14): Althoff, Campbell, Gottemoller, Greeno, Kamienski, Kunkle, Meshes, Ness, Reinert, Sager, Shorten, Smith, Von Bergen, and Wegener

Nay (4): Hendricks, Kearns, Skala, and Van Hof

Approved (14 to 4)

17.b.3 Ordinance Adopting the Establishment of an Altered Speed Zone on Ridgefield Road (82)

Mover: Althoff

Secunder: Meshes

To establish an altered speed zone on Ridgefield Road, a County Highway.

Aye (15): Althoff, Campbell, Gottemoller, Greeno, Kamienski, Kunkle, Meshes, Ness, Reinert, Sager, Shorten, Skala, Smith, Van Hof, and Wegener

Nay (3): Hendricks, Kearns, and Von Bergen

Approved (15 to 3)

18. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

19. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

County Administrator Peter Austin spoke. Full comments can be heard on the McHenry County website at 1:06:02 of the audio.

20. EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF NECESSARY)

21. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Skala made a motion seconded by Mr. Smith to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 pm. Chairman Buehler declared the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Michael Buehler, Chairman

Joseph J. Tirio, County Clerk