



**COUNTY OF KENDALL, ILLINOIS
 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
 Thursday, October 10, 2024, at 4:00 PM
 Meeting Minutes**

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance - The Committee of the Whole meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m. by County Board Chairman Matt Kellogg who led the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Roll Call

Board Member	Status	Arrived	Left Meeting
Matt Kellogg	Here		
Scott Gengler	Here		
Zach Bachmann	Here		
Brian DeBolt	Here		
Elizabeth Flowers	Absent		
Dan Koukol	Here		
Jason Peterson	Here		
Ruben Rodriguez	Here		
Brooke Shanley	Here		
Seth Wormley	Here		

With nine (9) members present a quorum was established.

Staff Present: Christina Burns, Latreese Caldwell, Jennifer Karales, Leslie Johnson, Bobby Richardson, Jim Webb

Others Present: Ethan Krueger (WSPY)

Approval of Agenda – Member Rodriguez made a motion to amend the agenda Seconded by Member Wormley. **With nine (9) members present voting aye, the motion was carried by a vote of 9- 0.**

Approval of Claims – Motion made by Member DeBolt, seconded by Member Bachmann to forward claims to the next County Board meeting. **With nine (9) members present voting aye, the motion was carried by a vote of 9 - 0.**

Committee Reports and Updates - None

New Committee Business

A. Intergovernmental Agreement for Administrative and Financial Services Between Kendall County and the Kendall County Forest Preserve District

Director of Human Resources Leslie Johnson briefed the committee on the need for the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA), the draft of the IGA can be found in the packet on page 3. The document shows the administrative and financial services that have been and will continue to be shared between Kendall County (KC) and the Kendall County Forest Preserve District (KCFPD). The agreement confirms KC will continue to permit the KCFPD employees to maintain coverage under Kendall County's

health, dental, vision, life insurance plans, and other employee benefits policies that are offered to KC employees, provided KC is reimbursed for all the Forest Preserve's employee benefit costs.

Member DeBolt made a motion to forward the Intergovernmental Agreement for Administrative and Financial Services Between Kendall County and the Kendall County Forest Preserve District to the next County Board, Seconded by Member Bachmann. **With nine (9) members present voting aye, the motion was carried by a vote of 9 - 0.**

B. Resolution granting authority to the Sheriff to purchase a used corrections van on behalf of the Kendall County Board

County Administrator Christina Burns explained the need to have pre-authorization so that they are able to purchase used vehicles at a good price when they become available. She is asking for board approval up to \$65,000.

Member DeBolt made a motion to forward to the next County Board, Seconded by Member Rodriguez. **With nine (9) members present voting aye, the motion was carried by a vote of 9 - 0.**

C. Resolution granting authority to Facilities Director to purchase a used van on behalf of the Kendall County Board

County Administrator Christina Burns explained the need to have pre-authorization so that they are able to purchase used vehicles at a good price when they become available. She is asking for board approval up to \$50,000.

Member DeBolt made a motion to forward to the next County Board, Seconded by Member Shanley. **With nine (9) members present voting aye, the motion was carried by a vote of 9 - 0.**

D. Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Discussion

Chair of Finance and Budget Committee Scott Gengler briefed the committee on the FY25 budget process and referred to page 17 of the packet. He is asking this committee to use this opportunity to discuss this tentative budget and work through the numbers and give recommendations to balance the budget. The FY 2025 Tentative Budget, the General Fund total requests are \$34,207,218, with a current deficit of (\$2,791,853). The \$124M Fiscal Year 2025 tentative budget captures funding requests for approximately 100 funds. The funding requests, made by Kendall County Departments and Offices, will fund operations, capital and debt service for FY25. The General Fund is the major operating fund for the County. The Finance Chairman and members of Administration have met with various County Elected and Appointed Officials to reduce the \$2.8M General Fund deficit. Proposed solutions include reduction of levy fund requests, reduction of General Fund salaries and expenditures, reclassification of General Fund capital expenditures to other capital funds, reclassification of Election commodities and capital expenditures to the Election Fund, increase revenue transfers in from other funds, increase sales tax revenue, and increase the PTELL levy calculation to include the CPI increase. A question was asked as to the PTELL increase, which can be found on page 19 and is proposed at 3.4%. The County intends to approve the final budget on November 6, 2024.

E. Fiscal Year 2025 Capital Discussion

Discussion ensued with the committee on the FY25 Capital budget requests (pg. 26-30). The \$11.5M Fiscal Year 2025 Capital Budget captures funding requests for capital improvements countywide. The funding requests, made by Kendall County Departments and Offices, will fund both capital improvements (excluding roads & bridges) and building construction for FY25. The three major capital funds for Kendall County and their requests are: Building Fund 1401 \$8,012,410; Capital Improvement

Fund 1402 \$755,000; Public Safety Capital Improvement Fund 1404 \$2,728,650. Certain requested items will be either removed or shifted to the FY26 capital requests. This adjustment is based on priority considerations and the reallocation of certain projects to operational funds. Facilities Management was commended for leading the initiative to implement software for tracking all equipment across Kendall County's buildings, which will enhance maintenance scheduling and prioritize tasks effectively.

Old Committee Business- None

Department Head and Elected Officials Reports – None

Public Comment – The AID Association for Individual Development Services has reported that their services are operational.

Questions from the Media – Chairman Matt Kellogg congratulated WSPY News Director Ethan Kruger for being named Best News Reporter at the Illinois Broadcaster Association conference. WSPY -FM also earned several first place Silver Dome awards for news and sales excellence. Mr. Kruger had no questions at this time for the board members.

Chairman's Report –

Appointment to be forwarded to County Board
Andrew Steinbach (Member at Large) – KenCom Executive Board – no term limit

Chairman Kellogg mentioned that several rescue units are being dispatched to Florida to provide assistance in the aftermath of the hurricane. He also mentioned that he is going to have a meeting with KenCom soon to help with future planning and welcomes any input from the committee. He had a very productive teleconference meeting with World Business Chicago with the Redberri Group- Sandwich Hotel and Convention Center, also on the call was 30- 40 business leaders from India. The hope is to bring in new businesses from India into the County.

Action Items for County Board –

- Claims
- Intergovernmental Agreement for Administrative and Financial Services Between Kendall County and the Kendall County Forest Preserve District
- Resolution granting authority to the Sheriff to purchase a used corrections van on behalf of the Kendall County Board
- Resolution granting authority to Facilities Director to purchase a used van on behalf of the Kendall County Board

Executive Session- (1) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or specific volunteers of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee, a specific individual who serves as an independent contractor in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or a volunteer of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. However, a meeting to consider an increase in compensation to a specific employee of a public body that is subject to the Local Government Wage Increase Transparency Act may not be closed and shall be open to the public and posted and held in accordance with this Act. (2) Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. (21) Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed

under the Open Meetings Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06, 5ILCS 120-2/21.

Member DeBolt made a motion to go into Executive Session, second by Member Peterson.

Chairman Kellogg and asked for Roll Call:

Board Member	Status
Matt Kellogg	Yes
Scott Gengler	Yes
Zach Bachmann	Yes
Brian DeBolt	yes
Elizabeth Flowers	Absent
Dan Koukol	Yes
Jason Peterson	Aye
Ruben Rodriguez	Yes
Brooke Shanley	Yes
Seth Wormley	Yes

All members returned to regular session at 5:09 p.m.

Adjournment – Member Shanley made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Member DeBolt.

With nine (9) members present voting aye, the meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sally A. Seeger
Administrative Assistant