



Kane County

County Board

Meeting Minutes

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

Wednesday, February 4, 2026

11:00 AM

County Board Room

*****SPECIAL MEETING*****

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Adjourned Meeting of the Special Kane County Board Meeting was held at the Kane County Government Center, 719 S. Batavia Ave., Bldg. A, Geneva, IL 60134 on February 4, 2026.

Chairman Pierog called the meeting to order at 11:23 AM.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT:	Board Member Deborah Allan Board Member Alex Arroyo Board Member Mavis Bates Board Member Michelle Gumz Board Member Mo Iqbal Board Member Leslie Juby Board Member Chris Kious Board Member Bill Lenert Board Member Anita Lewis Board Member Michael Linder Board Member Myrna Molina Board Member Bill Roth Board Member Jarett Sanchez Board Member Clifford Surges Board Member Vern Tepe Board Member Rick Williams Board Member David Young Chairman Corinne M. Pierog
REMOTE:	Board Member Sonia Garcia Board Member Jon Gripe Board Member Bill Tarver
ABSENT:	Board Member Cherryl Strathmann
AWAY:	Board Member Ted Penesis

Present: Dpty. Clk. Mazzei; Auditor Wegman; Chf. of Civil Frank and ASA Ford; Animal Control Admin. Youngsteadt*; ITD staff Lasky* and Peters; members of the press & public.

3. REMOTE ATTENDANCE REQUESTS

Members Garcia, Gripe and Tarver requested to attend this meeting remotely. There were no objections.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & INVOCATION

Member Young led the assembly with the recital of the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: None**6. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Brian Anderson from Sugar Grove spoke on consistency and recommended Jennifer Abbatacola for the District 9 vacant county board seat.

7. CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

Madam Chair thanked board members for their participation in the interview and appointment process that has been taking place for Districts 2 and 9.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION (if needed)

Madam Chair entertained a motion to go into closed discussion to discuss the appointment of individual(s) to vacant County Board seats. The Board entered into closed session at 11:52AM.

RESULT:	APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE
MOVER:	Bill Roth
SECONDER:	Michael Linder
AYE:	Deborah Allan, Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Sonia Garcia, Jon Gripe, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, and David Young
ABSENT:	Cherryl Strathmann

9. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The board returned to open session at 12:10PM. The roll was called and a quorum was present.

RESULT:	APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE
MOVER:	Rick Williams
SECONDER:	Clifford Surges

10. RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, AND OTHER SCHEDULED MATTERS**A. Appointment to Fill Vacancy on Kane County Board (District 2)****[26-046](#)**

Member Allan congratulated and commended those involved in the selection and appointment process.

RESULT:	APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE
MOVER:	Myrna Molina
SECONDER:	Mavis Bates
AYE:	Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Sonia Garcia, Jon Gripe, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, and David Young
PRESENT:	Deborah Allan
ABSENT:	Cherryl Strathmann

B. Appointment to Fill Vacancy on Kane County Board (District 9)**[26-047](#)**

Arroyo made a motion to amend, seconded by Sanchez, to add candidate Jennifer Abbatacola's name in the (2) blank areas of this appointment resolution, as well as where she is from.

Roll call followed:

Aye: Allan, Arroyo, Bates, Garcia*, Gripe*, Gumz, Iqbal, Juby, Kious, Lenert, Lewis, Linder, Molina, Roth, Sanchez, Surges, Tarver*, Tepe, Williams and Young.

Nay: None.

Absent: Strathmann.

No Vote: Penesis.

VOTE: 20-0 MOTION PASSED ON THE AMENDMENT.

Motion to approve Res #26-047, as amended.

RESULT:	APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz
SECONDER:	Jon Gripe
AYE:	Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Sonia Garcia, Jon Gripe, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, and David Young
PRESENT:	Deborah Allan

ABSENT: Cheryl Strathmann

11. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Madam Chair announced that these (2) appointed individuals will be sworn in next week. Additionally, she congratulated Kimberly Young and Jennifer Abbatacola on their nominations and subsequent appointments.

12. COMMITTEE UPDATES

None.

13. ADJOURNMENT TO TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2026

RESULT:	APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE
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MOVER:	Clifford Surges
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SECONDER:	Jarett Sanchez
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This meeting was adjourned at 12:16PM.

Christine Mazzei
Deputy Clerk