

The Board met in due form with the following members present: Michael Repay Jerry Tippy and Kyle W. Allen, Sr. They passed the following orders, to wit:

The Pledge was given followed by a Moment of Silence.

A courtesy copy of the agenda and notice of this meeting was emailed by Rose Koliboski/Heather Rodziewicz to NWI Times and Chicago-Tribune Newspapers on the 3rd day of March, 2025 at about 11:20 a.m.

A copy of the meeting notice and agenda was posted at the entrance of the Commissioner's courtroom on the 3rd day of March, 2025 at about 11:20 a.m.

Public Virtual Conference: WebEx Meeting ID: 263 0614 1219 Password: commissioners

Order #1 Agenda #1

In the Matter of Open Of Meeting

Comes now, President Repay, called the Meeting to Order, for the purpose of the record all three Commissioners are present and accounted for, Attorney Fech acknowledged Board members are present for a Special Meeting for one (1) item, item 2.1 Recommendation and Approval for Professional Services for the Lake County Convention and Event Center.

Order #2 Agenda #2.1

In the Matter of Action To Form Contracts: 2.1 Commissioners: Recommendation and Approval for Professional Services for the Lake County Convention and Event Center.

Comes now, before the Board of Commissioners, Attorney Fech, to acknowledge the withdrawal of one submittal, received by text message from Attorney for Taft, advising that Taft is going to be withdrawing their submittal due to a potential conflict, Attorney Fech recommended the record should reflect submittal from Taft is officially withdrawn at the present time. {Taft, 111 E. Wacker Drive Suite 2600 Chicago, IL 60601, was one of six submittals received by the Board of Commissioners Wednesday, February 19, 2025.}

Allen made a motion to approve a Consulting Contract with Johnson Consulting, 6 East Monroe Street, Chicago, IL 60603, for the purposes for advising the County Commissioners as a Financial Consultant to select the applicant and location for the Lake County Convention Center, Tippy seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. (no discussion on the motion)(RFQ ON FILE "2025 CONTRACTS")

Allen made a motion to award a Legal Consulting Contract with Dinsmore Marketing, 255 East 5th Street Suite 1900, Cincinnati, OH 45202, for the purpose of advising the County Commissioners for selection and the applicant for the placement of the Lake County Convention Center, Tippy seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. (no discussion on the motion)(RFQ ON FILE "2025 CONTRACTS")

Order #3 Agenda #3

In the Matter of Comments: Members of the Public; Elected Officials; Commissioners.

There were none.

The next Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 12, 2025 at 10:00 A.M.

There being no further business before the Board at this time, Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to adjourn.

The following officials were Present:
Attorney Matthew Fech

MICHAEL REPAY, PRESIDENT

KYLE ALLEN Sr., COMMISSIONER

JERRY TIPPY, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

PEGGY H. KATONA, LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR