

FINANCE COMMITTEE AGENDA

Called by: John Butitta, Chairman
Members: Paul Arena, Valerie
Hanserd, Joe Hoffman, Keith
McDonald, John F. Sweeney,
Christina Valdez

DATE: **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2025**
TIME: IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE
OPERATIONS AND ADMINISTRATIVE
COMMITTEE MEETING AT 5:30 PM
LOCATION: ROOM 303
COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BLDG
404 ELM STREET
ROCKFORD, IL 61101

AGENDA:

- A. Call to Order
- B. Roll Call
- C. Approval of September 18, 2025 Minutes
- D. Public Comment – This is the time we invite the public to address the Finance Committee with issues and concerns. We ask you to limit your comments to three minutes. Personal attacks or inappropriate language of any sort will not be tolerated. We will allow a maximum of five speakers on a first come basis with sign up at the meeting. Speakers may not address zoning matters which are pending before the ZBA, the Zoning Committee or the County Board. Personnel matters or pending or threatened litigation may not be addressed in open session. An individual may speak a maximum of three times per calendar year on the same topic. This prohibition shall include the repetition of the same topic in a statement on what is purported to be a different topic. After acknowledgement by the chair, please stand and state your name.
- E. Discussion – Police Training Center
- F. Other Matters
- G. Adjournment

**Winnebago County Board
Finance Committee Meeting**
County Administration Building
404 Elm Street, Room 303
Rockford, IL 61101

Thursday, September 18, 2025
Immediately following the Operations & Administrative Committee Meeting

Present:

John Butitta, Chairperson
Valerie Hanserd
Joe Hoffman
John F. Sweeney
Christina Valdez

Others Present:

Patrick Thompson, County Administrator
Steve Schultz, Chief Financial Officer
Lafakeria Reuter, Civil Bureau Chief, State's Attorney's Office
Chris Dornbush, Chief Operations Officer
John Giliberti, State's Attorney's Office
Tom Lawson, Circuit Clerk
Theresa Grennan, Treasurer

Absent:

Paul Arena
Keith McDonald

AGENDA:

- A. Call to Order
- B. Roll Call
- C. Approval of August 28, 2025 Minutes
- D. Public Comment – This is the time we invite the public to address the Finance Committee with issues and concerns. We ask you to limit your comments to three minutes. Personal attacks or inappropriate language of any sort will not be tolerated. We will allow a maximum of five speakers on a first come basis with sign-up at the meeting. Speakers may not address zoning matters that are pending before the ZBA, the Zoning Committee or the County Board. Personnel matters or pending or threatened litigation may not be addressed in open session. An individual may speak a maximum of three times per calendar year on the same topic. This prohibition shall include the repetition of the same topic in a statement on what is purported to be a different topic. After acknowledgment by the Chairman, please stand and state your name. Thank you.
- E. Treasurer's Investment Update – Treasurer Theresa Grennan
- F. Budget Update
- G. Closed Session to Discuss Pending Litigation and Labor Negotiations
- H. Resolution Authorizing Execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO, Illinois Council 31, Local 473 (AFSCME) and the Winnebago County Circuit Clerk
- I. Other Matters
- J. Adjournment

Call to Order

Chairperson Butitta called the meeting to order at 6:15 PM.

Roll Call

Chairperson Butitta, yes; Ms. Hanserd, yes; Mr. Hoffman, yes; Mr. Sweeney, yes; Ms. Valdez, yes.

A quorum is present.

Approval of August 28, 2025 Minutes

Motion: Chairperson Butitta. Second: Mr. Hoffman.

Chairperson Butitta called for any discussion.

Chairperson Butitta called for a vote to approve the minutes of August 28, 2025.

The motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Public Comment

Chairperson Butitta omitted reading the Public Comment Section of the Agenda due to no one present to speak.

Treasurer's Investment Update – Treasurer Theresa Grennan

Ms. Grennan provided details on the County's investments.

Chairperson Butitta called for any questions or discussion.

- A discussion followed.

Budget Update

Mr. Schultz provided an update on the changes since the FY2026 budget layover.

Chairperson Butitta called for any questions or discussion.

Closed Session to Discuss Pending Litigation

Chairperson Butitta called for a motion to enter a Closed Session.

Motion: Ms. Hanserd. Second: Mr. Hoffman.

Roll Call Vote

Chairperson Butitta called for a roll call vote.

Chairperson Butitta, yes; Ms. Hanserd, yes; Mr. Hoffman, yes; Mr. Sweeney, yes; Ms. Valdez, yes.

The motion to enter a Closed Session was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

No action was taken in the Closed Session.

Resolution Authorizing Execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO, Illinois Council 31, Local 473 (AFSCME) and the Winnebago County Circuit Clerk

Motion: Chairperson Butitta. Second: Ms. Hanserd.

Chairperson Butitta called for any discussion.

Chairperson Butitta called for a vote to approve the resolution.

The motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Other Matters

Mr. Schultz reported on an IGA entered into in 2020 involving the Rockford School District and other partners in Rockford. The County has allocated a second round of funding amounting to \$8,077 as instructed by the IGA.

Adjournment

Chairperson Butitta called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Chairperson Butitta. Second: Ms. Hanserd.

The motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Bleile

Executive Assistant

Discussion – Police Training Center