

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

Thursday, April 3, 2025

Immediately following the Operations & Administrative Committee Meeting

**Present:**

John Butitta, **Chairperson**  
Jaime Salgado, **Vice Chairperson**  
Paul Arena  
Keith McDonald  
John F. Sweeney  
Christina Valdez

**Others Present:**

Patrick Thompson, County Administrator  
Steve Schultz, Chief Financial Officer  
Lafakeria Vaughn, Civil Bureau Chief, State's Attorney's Office  
Chris Dornbush, Chief Operations Officer

**Absent:**

Joe Hoffman

**AGENDA:**

- A. Call to Order
- B. Roll Call
- C. Approval of March 20, 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. Ordinance for a Budget Amendment for State's Attorney VOCA Grant Renewal
- F. Closed Session to Discuss Pending Litigation
- G. Resolution Authorizing Settlement of a Claim Against the County of Winnebago Entitled Thomas Morrison versus Winnebago County
- H. Other Matters
- I. Adjournment

**Call to Order**

Chairperson Butitta called the meeting to order at 5:40 PM.

**Roll Call**

Chairperson Butitta yes, Mr. Arena yes, Mr. McDonald yes, Mr. Salgado yes, Mr. Sweeney yes.

**Approval of March 20, 2025 Minutes**

Motion: Chairperson Butitta. Second: Mr. Salgado.  
Chairperson Butitta called for discussion.

The motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Ms. Valdez arrived to attend the Finance Committee meeting.

### **Public Comment**

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

### **Ordinance for a Budget Amendment for State's Attorney VOCA Grant Renewal**

Motion: Chairperson Butitta. Second: Mr. Salgado.

Chairperson Butitta called for discussion.

- Discussion followed.

The motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

### **Closed Session to Discuss Pending Litigation**

Motion: Chairperson Butitta. Second: Mr. Arena.

The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

### **Roll Call**

Chairperson Butitta yes, Mr. Arena yes, Mr. McDonald yes, Mr. Salgado yes, Mr. Sweeney yes, Ms. Valdez yes.

No action was taken in Closed Session.

### **Resolution Authorizing Settlement of a Claim Against the County of Winnebago Entitled Thomas Morrison versus Winnebago County**

The attorney was not in attendance. The Resolution will be carried over to the next Finance Committee Agenda and meeting on April 17, 2025.

### **Other Matters**

- None reported.

### **Adjournment**

Motion: Chairperson Butitta. Second: Mr. Sweeney.

The motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Bleile  
Executive Assistant