



# County Services Committee Minutes

Lee County, Illinois

Jul 10, 2023 at 9:00 AM CDT

Old Lee County Courthouse, Third Floor Boardroom, 112 E 2nd St, Dixon, IL 61021

## I. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m., by Chair Jack Skrogstad. Jack appointed Keane Hudson to the committee to satisfy quorum requirements.

## II. Committee Member Roll Call: Chair Jack Skrogstad, Vice Chair Danielle Allen, Katie White, Ron Gascoigne, Reed Akre

Danielle Allen, Katie White, and Ron Gascoigne were absent. Jack Skrogstad, Reed Akre, and Keane Hudson all attended the meeting in person.

Also present: Dean Freil and Mike Koppien (Board Members), Dave Anderson (County Engineer/Highway Department), Charley Boonstra (State's Attorney), Jennifer Boyd (Assessor), Dee Duffy (Zoning Administrator), Greg Gates (LOTS), Paul Gorski (IT Administrator), Alice Henkel (Renewable Energy Coordinator), Jeff Hilden (Facilities Director), Nancy Petersen (County Clerk and Recorder), Wendy Ryerson (Administrator), and Becky Brenner (Board Secretary) all attended in person. Angie Shippert (Board Member) and Stephanie Sasscer (Assistant State's Attorney) both briefly attended via Zoom video conferencing.

## III. Public Attendees

Jake McCoy, Manda McCoy, Judy King, John King, and Michael Hermes all attended the meeting in person. Jake McCoy spoke on behalf of the group to express concerns regarding the placement of a cell tower in Amboy.

## IV. Approval of the Minutes from the Previous Meeting - (June 12, 2023)

Minutes from the June 12, 2023, County Services Committee Meeting were approved as presented without modification.

## V. Transportation/Solid Waste

### A. Highway Report - see attached report

Dave Anderson reported that he had two projects coming up that he had not mentioned in his report. The first was a box culvert replacement at Brooklyn Road and Water Street in West Brooklyn. This would be a complete road closure and could take up to three (3) months. He also reported that Rockyford Road would be under construction and would be closed at different locations during the project.

### B. Solid Waste Report

No report submitted for Solid Waste.

VI. Assessor's Office - GIS Department

- A. Assessor's Office - See attached report below
- B. GIS Department - See attached report below

VII. County Board

A. Administrator Report

Wendy Ryerson introduced the newly hired Facilities Director, Jeff Hilden. Wendy asked Jeff to attend the committee meetings so he could meet and get to know the Department Heads and Board members.

Wendy also provided the committee with a brief historical summary regarding the Safety Manual that will be presented at the July County Board Meeting.

- In 2006 Lee County became one of the founding members of the Counties of Illinois Risk Management Agency (CIRMA). CIRMA is a member owned provider of property, liability, and workers' compensation coverage for county and other local governments in Illinois. CIRMA members were asked to create a local Safety Committee and adopt a Safety Manual with the goal of minimizing accidents.
- The first Lee County Safety Manual was adopted in 2009 and was revised in 2014. In 2016, CIRMA HR consultant Donna Rogers reviewed the County's Manual and made significant proposed changes.
- The most recent draft of the Safety Manual is based largely on Ms. Rogers' draft. Feedback was solicited from the Safety Committee and Department Heads. That feedback has now been incorporated into the Manual.

VIII. County Clerk's and Recorder's Office - See attached report below

IX. IT Department - See attached report below

X. LOTS - See attached report below

XI. ROE - See attached report below

XII. Veterans Assistance

No report was submitted from Veterans Assistance.

XIII. Zoning / Planning

- A. Monthly Report - See attached report below
- B. Action Items

1. Petitions **Going to** the Zoning Board of Appeals - **2 Petitions**

- a. Petition 23-P-1615, Petitioner John Hilliker, PPN# 06-09-23-300-006, Special Use to operate business from Property with one onsite employee

- b. Petition 23-P-1616, Petitioner Wiggins Solar, LLC, PPN# 18-08-11-400-014, Special Use for a Solar Energy System – South Dixon Township

**Motion** to move Petitions 23-P-1615 and 23-P-1616 to the Executive Committee for the inclusion on the July County Board agenda. **Moved** by Keane Hudson. **Second** by Reed Akre. **Motion** passed unanimously by voice vote.

2. Petitions **Coming From** the Zoning Board of Appeals - **5 Petitions**

- a. Petition 23-P-1610, Petitioner HTIMS LP, PPN# 10-13-14-301-006, map amendment from R-2 Single Family Residential District to C-2 Planned Office and Business District for small equipment sales, service, and repair, Harmon Township
- b. Petition 23-P-1611, Petitioner HTIMS LP, PPN# 10-13-14-301-008, map amendment from R-2 Single Family Residential District to C-2 Planned Office and Business District for small equipment sales, service, and repair, Harmon Township
- c. Petition 23-P-1612, Petitioner Lee County Zoning Office, PPN# 20-11-23-100-005, map amendment from I-3 Heavy Industrial District to C-3 General Business District, Viola Township
- d. Petition 23-P-1613, Petitioner Lee County Zoning Office, PPN# 20-11-23-100-005, revocation of Special Use, Viola Township
- e. Petition 23-P-1614, Petitioner Lee County Zoning Office, PPN# 20-11-23-100-006, revocation of Special Use, Viola Township

**Motion** to move the following five (5) petitions, 23-P-1610, 23-P-1611, 23-P-1612, 23-P-1613, and 23-P-1614 to the Executive Committee for inclusion on the July County Board agenda.

**Moved** by Reed Akre. **Second** by Keane Hudson. **Motion** passed unanimously by voice vote.

3. Petitions **Going To** the Planning Commission - **None**

There were no petitions Going To the Planning Commission.

4. Petitions **Coming From** the Planning Commission - **1 Petition**

- a. Petition 23-P-74, Petition to amend the text of Lee County Code 10-4: Ag-1 Rural/Agricultural District

**Motion** to move petition 23-P-74 to the Executive Committee for the inclusion on the July County Board agenda. **Moved** by

Keane Hudson. **Second** by Reed Akre. **Motion** passed unanimously by voice vote.

5. Contract with Chastain & Associates

Alice Henkel explained that the ordinances governing the commercial wind and solar energy projects in Lee County allowed for the engagement of a third-party engineer for project oversight at the expense of the developer/applicant. Chastain & Associates has prepared such a contract for the County's consideration for the oversight of the GSG project at an engineering level. While this contract does not require County Board approval, it is being presented to the committee for transparency and Board Member comment.

**Motion** to move the Contract with Chastain & Associates to the Executive Committee. **Moved** by Reed Akre. **Second** by Keane Hudson. **Motion** passed unanimously by voice vote.

6. Alternative Decommissioning Financial Assurance

Alice Henkel explained that alternative decommissioning financial assurance for the GSG project was resolved prior to the meeting and the company was no longer looking for an alternative to what was proposed in the ordinance.

7. Sign Variance Request

Alice Henkel requested that the committee table the Sign Variance Request on the agenda. The landowner was not able to attend the meeting to present the request.

**Motion** to table the Sign Variance Request. **Moved** by Reed Akre. **Second** by Keane Hudson. **Motion** passed unanimously by voice vote.

XIV. Unfinished Business

- A. Resolution: Intergovernmental Agreement Between South Dixon Township and Lee County (Tabled in June)

Dave Anderson asked that the Intergovernmental Agreement resolution between South Dixon Township and Lee County that was tabled in June remain tabled until the details can be worked out.

XV. New Business

There were no items under New Business.

XVI. Executive Session

There was no request for an Executive Session.

XVII. Adjournment

**Motion** to adjourn at 9:43 a.m. **Moved** by Reed Akre. **Second** by Keane Hudson.  
**Motion** passed unanimously by voice vote.

The next County Services Committee is scheduled for  
9:00 a.m., on Monday, August 14, 2023

Respectfully submitted by:  
Becky Brenner - Board Secretary

Lee County Highway Department  
Report to the County Services Committee – JULY 2023

The following represents a report of notable Highway Department activities and explanations of requested board actions:

**Status of Current Projects**

1. County/Township Crack Fill – Not started
2. Township and County Seal Coat – Not started
3. Bradford Twp. HMA – Complete
4. Dixon Twp. HMA – Complete
5. May Twp. HMA – Complete
6. Palmyra Twp. HMA – Complete
7. South Dixon HMA – Not started
8. Sublette Twp. HMA – Complete
9. Viola Twp. HMA – Complete
10. County Shoulder Stone – Not started
11. Nelson Road Bridge Deck Patching - Complete
12. Rockford Road FDR and HMA to begin mid-July
13. Brooklyn Road Box Culvert – to begin mid July
14. Steward Road Curb and Gutter for ICC/BNSF light and gates project - Complete

The projects above represent approximately \$5,000,000 and involve 30 individual projects.

**Other:**

Department is identifying and rating all the small reinforced concrete structures that are not included in the mandatory inspection intervals set by FHWA through the National Bridge Inspection Standards for structures having a twenty foot or greater clear span. Approximately half of these smaller structures have been identified and the other half will be cataloged during the fall and winter months.

**Board Action Items:**

- *South Dixon Township Salt Shed Intergovernmental Agreement:* Explanation was provided in the June minutes and the committee tabled the item until the July meeting pending State's Attorney review.

ASSESSMENT OFFICE/GIS DEPARTMENT  
COUNTY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT  
July 10, 2023

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ASSESSMENT OFC:

- Board or Review Organizational meeting and Farmland Assessment Review Committee meetings met June 29.
  - a. BOR Organizational meeting – opening of the 2023 BOR year, elected Lorie Erbes as the new chairman and approved 2023 BOR Rules.
  - b. FLARC reviewed and approved 2024 Certified Values. (10% Increase of 2023 PI 111 certified value = \$46.87)
- Owner Occupied Leasehold Exemptions Deadline was July 1, 2023.
- 2023 Quadrennial Reassessment review and updating Farmland mostly completed. Starting to process items on the annual township task lists.
- Working on the FY2024 Budget.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Boyd, CCAO  
Supervisor of Assessments

**GIS Department Report**  
**July 6, 2023**

- We were working on digitizing and adding the Storm Sewer Map layers to the City of Dixon web map application. The Water Department provided us with the as-built drawings required to complete the task.
- We were working on updating and exporting the most recent zoning information to the City of Dixon.
- Working on the Lee County Fire District wall map comprising the ESN boundaries and address points.
- Working on updating Flex Map address points to the most current information provided by the 911 Center.
- Continue working on the monthly parcel data maintenance, land use, and zoning data updates.
- Working with our consultant Virginia from Cloud Point Company to configure the new GIS environment, organize the data, republish ArcGIS Server services, and recreate the Portal for ArcGIS contents.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Sami Elarifi  
GIS Coordinator



COUNTY CLERK & RECORDER  
REPORT FOR JULY 10TH COMMITTEE MEETING

Presently down 2 employees in my office and I will be interviewing for 1 replacement this month.

New and approved Election Office is open, and everything looks great so far.

The State of Illinois implemented a statewide increase for all 102 counties for the RHSP (Rental Housing Support Program) fee effective July 1. So far, my office has not had to return a huge number of documents.

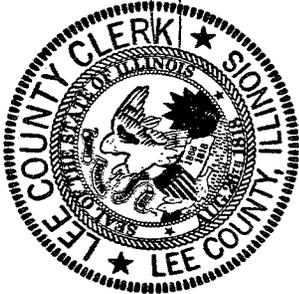
Effective June 1<sup>st</sup> my recording department implemented a new software program for our Laredo billing. Laredo is our software that our customers use to search documents online with a subscription. This transition is going very well.

Reminder about the email that went out about the new Illinois Notary Act.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Petersen  
Lee County Clerk & Recorder

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nancy Petersen".





July 7, 2023

IT Board Report

1. New Courts security camera installation is expected to be completed by July 14, 2023.  
This is grant funded.
2. New Courts keycard reader upgrades should start in August. The vendor has the parts, they are just waiting for their technicians to be available.  
This is largely grant funded, with some capital funds assigned to project.
3. IT continues to support the Karpel court case management system upgrades in the State's Attorney and Public Defender offices.  
These deployments should be completed in September 2023.
4. We are assisting the Probation office with Tracker software training by moving their computers to the EOC/EMA area for training scheduled July 17, 18 and 19. We're moving their monitors and computer for this three-day period for a better training experience.
5. We completed deploying a new system software patch management system. This new system will help current our servers and workstations current with Microsoft and vendor security patches and updates.
6. We are completing the deployment of new, grant-funded printers in the Circuit Clerk's Office.

Thank you.

Paul Gorski  
IT Director  
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**Report to County Services Committee of Lee County Board**  
July 10, 2023 | 9:00 AM

**1) DEVELOPMENTS**

**a) Reagan Mass Transit District**

- (1) RMTD Attorneys and the State’s Attorney’s Office are finalizing the Definitive Agreement, which outlines the transition of assets from Lee County to the MTD.**
  - (a) Once finalized, the Definitive Agreement will be presented to the Lee County Board and Ogle County Board.**
- (2) LOTS/RMTD, State’s Attorney, and the Lee County Treasurer’s Office met last Friday (June 30<sup>th</sup>) to discuss the transfer of funding in the Public Transportation Account (PTA).
- (3) RMTD held an initial meeting with Region 1 Planning Council, Winnebago County Board, Rockford Mass Transit District and Rural Transit Assistance Center (RTAC) regarding public transportation services for “rural” Winnebago County.
- (4) Next meeting of the RMTD Governing Board is scheduled for the evening of July 13th.
- (5) LOTS/RMTD Staff are continuing to work on paperwork associated with forming the Reagan Mass Transit District. This includes the development of various policies and procedures.
  - (a) Title VI revision
  - (b) Financial Procedures/Policies
  - (c) Employee Handbook
  - (d) Employee benefits (health insurance, IMRF, etc.)
  - (e) Commercial Insurance quotes
  - (f) Data Retention and destruction policy

**b) Budget Development for FY 2024 (July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024)**

- (1) IDOT is executing contracts for State FY 2024.**
  - (2) Contractual amounts for FY 2024 are as follows:
    - (a) 5311 Contract: \$282,700 \*
    - (b) 5311F Contract (I-88): \$1,100,000 \*
    - (c) 5311F Contract (I-39): \$929,606 \*
    - (d) DOAP Contract: \$1,555,840
- \* These are being combined into a single contract by IDOT

**c) Ride Data for SFY 2023 (July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023)**

	SFY 2023	SFY 2022	% change
<b>RIDES</b>	<b>83,072</b>	<b>78,058</b>	<b>6.04% increase</b>
<b>SERVICE HOURS</b>	<b>24,284</b>	<b>21,017</b>	<b>13.45% increase</b>
<b>MILES OF SERVICE</b>	<b>649,114</b>	<b>584,796</b>	<b>9.91% increase</b>
<b>FUEL COST*</b>	<b>\$214,498.20</b>	<b>\$191,479.50</b>	<b>10.7% increase</b>

\* Fuel expenditures are for only those vehicles under the direct control of Lee County. This fuel cost does not include expenditures generated by operators in the LOTS system.

**d) Vehicle Procurement**

- (1) LOTS collaboration with IDOT on a federal proposal to the Low/No Emission Grants.**
  - (a) Word was received last week (June 26<sup>th</sup>) that funding was awarded to IDOT’s proposal.**
  - (b) LOTS will procure two (2) electric buses via this proposal**
- (2) LOTS has submitted the order for two (2) electric vehicles to the Michigan Department of Transportation. IDOT promoted this relationship, as it does not currently have electric vehicles on its state vehicle contract, although they will likely add EVs in the near future.
- (3) LOTS will also likely be the recipient of several “standard” fuel vehicles via a second federal grant – Buses and Bus Facilities – that IDOT wrote and were awarded funding for.**

**e) Vehicle Disposal Approved by IDOT**

- i) IDOT has given its approval for the disposal of nine (9) existing vehicles of LOTS/Lee County

- ii) This disposal means LOTS/Lee County will have direct control over these vehicles, several of which are beyond repair and will be sold for junk.
  - iii) The other vehicles may continue to be used in the system and/or sold out right with the profits going to operational needs of the system.
- f) Architectural/Engineering Firm / Oregon facility construction**
- i) Pre-award concurrence has been received from IDOT. Larson and Darby, an architectural firm out of Rockford has been secured for the A&E process.
  - ii) Architectural and Engineering firm will provide two (2) design options for Oregon facility
  - iii) This project is part of LOTS application under REBUILD Round 1
- g) Architectural/Engineering Firm / Addition to Dixon Facility**
- i) An architectural and engineering firm – Willett Hoffman – was selected for the addition project on to the Reagan Transit Center.
  - ii) Project includes development of new offices at Reagan Transit Center and secured file room/storage room. Geothermal and Solar technologies will be incorporated into complex
  - iii) This project is part of LOTS application under REBUILD Round 2
- h) City of Rochelle Feasibility Study / Technical Assistance Grant (Awarded) from IDOT**
- i) Public Notice for the hiring of Senior Consultant for TA/Rochelle has been published. Two-year project for Rochelle and the feasibility of developing a fixed route for public transportation.
- i) City of Dixon Feasibility Study / Technical Assistance Grant (Awarded) from IDOT**
- i) Executed contract for \$79,000 grant has been completed
  - ii) Two-year grant project to complete feasibility study for fixed route in Dixon

## 2) OPERATIONAL AND CAPITAL RELATED DEVELOPMENTS

### a) Capital Funding / REBUILD Round 1

- i) Application includes Construction of new Oregon location
- ii) Furnishings and equipment for Oregon facility
- iii) Implementation of video surveillance cameras into 17 of LOTS' buses and minivans (completed)
- iv) Three (3) new buses (Ford transit type vehicles)

### b) Capital Funding / REBUILD Round 2

- (1) Notice of State Award being processed by IDOT
- (2) LOTS Proposal will allow for the following:
  - (a) Two electric vehicles for use in the LOTS system
  - (b) Three (3) new offices at Reagan Transit Center and secured file room/storage room
  - (c) Develop new Conference Room between Reagan Transit Center and Mechanical Bay
  - (d) Geothermal and Solar technologies will be incorporated into complex

### c) REBUILD Round 3

- i) IDOT announced that Lee County/LOTS will receive \$62,500 for the purchase of 2 service vehicles
- ii) The original proposal included the following:
  - (1) Add 72-feet onto the existing bus barn at Reagan Transit Center,
    - (a) This will provide for an additional twelve (12) slots for buses
  - (2) Add another bay onto the existing mechanical building
  - (3) Purchase service vehicles including one for maintenance



## Regional Office of Education Report

July 2023

### ROE #47 Moving to New Location

We are excited to announce that we have completed about 85% of our move from our West 23rd st location to our new larger location at 2214 E. 4th st. Suite B in Sterling. Our new location is next to Goodwill in Sterling. We have two wonderful new signs marking our spot. Our professional development area in the new location is not completed yet, so we will be moving the professional development department on July 6th and 7th. We started the moving process on June 12th and we finished on June 19th. All ROE 47 employees did a tremendous job packing, cleaning, and organizing throughout the moving out and in process. It has been a hectic few weeks while we completed the move and still tried our best to service the educational professionals and families of Lee, Ogle, and Whiteside Counties. We are still in the process of unpacking and setting the space up so we can run efficiently as possible. We love our new space and we would like to say thank you to our 3 wonderful counties for helping us make our new office a reality.

### Professional Learning & Educational Services

<b>Current Programs - Office of Professional Learning &amp; Educational Services</b>
Induction & Mentoring
Community Partnership Grant
Education Pathway Endorsement
Manufacturing & Agriculture Endorsement Programs
Elevating Special Educators
School Improvement & Strategic Planning
School Improvement Cooperative (instructional coaching, training, networking)
Social Emotional Learning/Trauma/Youth Mental Health First Aid/TRS I-A

Early Childhood Professional Learning

Family Education & Engagement

**Office of Professional Learning & Ed Services: School Improvement**

**Professional Learning**

- Science of Reading Cohort through LETRS is preparing to launch for 2023-24. We have 84 teachers and administrators who will participate in the cohort.
- Summer learning is underway! We have over 40 opportunities this summer for educators to continue their learning. [CLICK HERE](#) for a full list of professional learning opportunities.
- We continue to work with our school districts throughout the summer through professional learning and continuous improvement work. Special shoutout to our friends at AFC, as we complete a week of intense professional learning focused on literacy. Paw Paw School District, Amboy High School, and Amboy School District continue to work with ROE professional learning staff during the summer to move forward with their 5 year school improvement plans and district strategic planning efforts.

**Office of Professional Learning & Ed Services: Social Media**

The department's social media presence continues to grow. Like our page on Facebook (Regional Office of Education #47) and download our ROE47 App for weekly teacher talks, instructional tips, news, giveaways, updates & more! Follow us on Twitter @RegionalOffice47

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WEDNESDAY

JUNE 7, 2023  
9:00-11:30

**FBA/BIP Overview**  
Presented by Sae Han Park

Functional Behavior Assessments and Behavior Intervention Plans are an essential part of the IEP when students' behavior impedes their learning or the learning of others. In this professional development, participants will learn about the components of the FBA and BIP and better understand needed information to write an effective student plan. Data collection methods, documentation checklists, and evidence-based interventions will also be discussed.

WEDNESDAY

JUNE 21, 2023  
9-11:30  
PART 1

**Introduction to Co-Teaching**

Co-teaching pairs teachers who share responsibilities in planning, instruction, assessment, and student management. When delivered effectively, the service delivery option can increase student achievement. Participants will learn about the various co-teaching approaches, lesson delivery, and ways to make the partnership work for teachers and students. Participants will also identify roadblocks and explore possible solutions to implementing co-teaching in their classrooms.

WEDNESDAY

JUNE 21, 2023  
12:00-2:00  
PART 2

**Building Your Co-Teaching Relationships**

As a follow-up to Intro to Co-Teaching, participants can join individually or with their co-teacher as participants will learn how to build their co-teaching relationship through activities that will identify individual strengths, weaknesses, and how to work and teach together to benefit all students.

TUESDAY

JULY 11, 2023  
9:00-11:30

**Improving Reading and Writing for All Students**

Participants will discuss the current status of foundational reading instruction. The book *Shifting the Balance* will be highlighted as a model on how to shift your instructional practices in reading, incorporating strategies for improving reading fluency for all students. Participants will explore informational text instruction and how to increase vocabulary acquisition and retention. Participants will dive into how to teach the essential components of writing to all students. Participants will leave with a variety of instructional strategies and teaching practices that will be valuable across content areas.

TUESDAY

JULY 25, 2023  
9:00-11:30

**Math for All**

Participants will learn more about the Math For All framework that focuses on developing a student-centered approach to learning math. Participants will leave with an improved understanding on how to support all students in the math classroom, including those with disabilities, by deepening their understanding of how to assess students' strengths and needs while reducing the barriers. Although the focus is on mathematics, participants will leave with a variety of instructional strategies and teaching practices that will be valuable across content areas.



# Let's Bee a Village

## For new parents in our community

**Community Baby Shower Wish List**

Board Books	Sleep Sacks (0-6 months)
Outfits (3-12 months)	Baby Thermometers
Infant & Toddler Socks	Diaper Bags
Baby Carrier (Wrap or Sling)	66 Quart Clear Storage Tote

Contact Grace Heimerdinger-Baake at [gheimerdingerbaake@roe47.org](mailto:gheimerdingerbaake@roe47.org) for more information and for all questions.



# UPCOMING FAMILY FUN EVENTS

June

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**Child Fair**  
Free family activities will be at Sauk Valley Community College from 9 AM -12 PM. Activities include BLOCK Fest, Petting Zoo, bounce house, and more.

June

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**Summer Block Party**  
Kick off summer with a free, family-friendly, event in the city of Dixon from 9 AM -12 PM.

June

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**Family Fun Night**  
Families are invited to the Old Lee County Court House from 5-7 PM for interactive activities, such as "Touch A Truck" and more.

July

08

**Community Baby Shower**  
New and expectant parents are invited to the community baby shower at 10 AM or 1 PM at the Dixon Park District - The Facility.  
*Sign up by calling or texting (815) 575-9008*

August

05

**Back to School Bash**  
Preschool -3rd grade students and families are invited to Dixon Wooden Wonderland's Splash Pad from 9-11 am to celebrate the return to school.



SCAN ME

To learn more about family friendly events happening in the area, scan the QR code to subscribe to the family newsletter.

# TRANSFORMATIONAL LEADERSHIP ACADEMY SERIES

**SERIES SESSIONS:**

- **SESSION 1:** Understanding & Leveraging the Power of Backstory  
August 31, 2023  
8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
- **SESSION 2:** Discovering & Developing Your Style of Leadership  
November 30, 2023  
8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
- **SESSION 3:** Designing & Building a Strong Team Culture  
February 29, 2024  
8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
- **SESSION 4:** Defining & Recapturing Healthy Classrooms  
June 18, 2024  
8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

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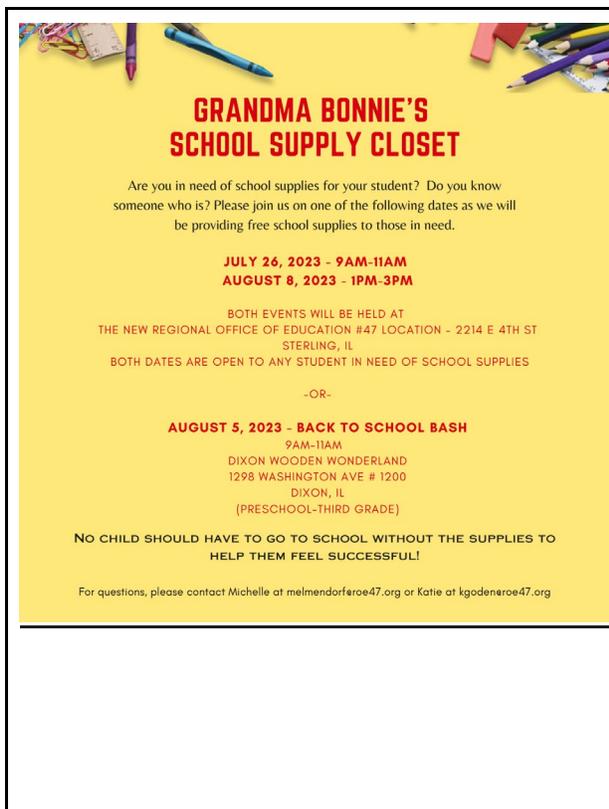
*Academy leader Tom Toney is the founder of KUEST Student Leadership, a non-profit organization focused on developing systems, resources and training for empowering students and educators. Over the last thirty years, Tom has authored more than twenty student leadership and character development books, manuals and resources. As a certified DISC Personality Consultant, Tom coaches businesses and teams through his online CAB University system.*



EXPLORE & ACHIEVE



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**GRANDMA BONNIE'S  
SCHOOL SUPPLY CLOSET**

Are you in need of school supplies for your student? Do you know someone who is? Please join us on one of the following dates as we will be providing free school supplies to those in need.

**JULY 26, 2023 - 9AM-11AM**  
**AUGUST 8, 2023 - 1PM-3PM**

BOTH EVENTS WILL BE HELD AT  
THE NEW REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #47 LOCATION - 2214 E 4TH ST  
STERLING, IL  
BOTH DATES ARE OPEN TO ANY STUDENT IN NEED OF SCHOOL SUPPLIES

-OR-

**AUGUST 5, 2023 - BACK TO SCHOOL BASH**  
9AM-11AM  
DIXON WOODEN WONDERLAND  
1298 WASHINGTON AVE # 1200  
DIXON, IL  
(PRESCHOOL-THIRD GRADE)

NO CHILD SHOULD HAVE TO GO TO SCHOOL WITHOUT THE SUPPLIES TO HELP THEM FEEL SUCCESSFUL!

For questions, please contact Michelle at [melmendorf@roe47.org](mailto:melmendorf@roe47.org) or Katie at [kgadener@roe47.org](mailto:kgadener@roe47.org)



**Back to School  
Bash!**

**PRESCHOOL- 3RD GRADE STUDENTS AND  
FAMILIES, PLEASE JOIN US ON  
AUGUST 5TH FROM 9-11**

- ✓ School aged games/activities
- ✓ Snacks
- ✓ Music & fun
- ✓ School supplies will be provided

**Location: Dixon Wooden  
Wonderland/Splash Pad  
1298 Washington Ave #1200, Dixon, IL**

Questions? Please contact Ashley Teel  
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**Office of Professional Learning & Ed Services: Professional Learning Events**

Check out ALL of our spring opportunities [HERE](#)

**June Participants - 206**

Tuesday, June 6

Making It: What Today's Kids Need for Tomorrow's World (book study) @ 9:00 am

Transitional English @ SVCC

CTE Team Based Challenge Writing Workshop @ SVCC

CTE & Equity Promising Practices Workshop @ SVCC

Wednesday, June 7

FBA/BIP Overview @ SVCC

Transitional English @ SVCC

Thursday, June 8

Career Exploration Support of Transition Planning @ SVCC

Tuesday, June 13

How2INFORM: Media Literacy Workshop @ SVCC

Wednesday, June 14

Exploring Nuclear Science and Careers @ Byron Nuclear Plant

Transitional English @ SVCC

Thursday, June 15

Pathway Planning @ SVCC

Engage Every Family (book study) @ 9:00 am

Tuesday, June 20

EVERFI Training @ 9:00 am

Making It: What Today's Kids Need for Tomorrow's World (book study) @ 9:00 am

Wednesday, June 21

Mentor Training for Teachers @ Byron High School

Intro to Co-Teaching @ SVCC

Building Your Co-Teaching Relationships @ SVCC

Thursday, June 22

Essential Employability Skills @ SVCC

Mentor Training for Teachers @ Byron High School

Tuesday, June 27

Soaring Balloons and Heavy Shackles - SEL Asynchronous Course @ 9:00 am

Wednesday, June 28

Social Science Symposium @ SVCC

Thursday, June 29

Google Level 1 Certification Training @ SVCC

Developing a School Wide Trauma-Responsive Action Plan @ SVCC

Engage Every Family (book study) @ 9:00 am

Mentor Training for Teachers @ Byron High School

# June in Photos





**Office of Professional Learning & Ed Services: NEXUS**

Welcome Stephanie Celestino to our NEXUS team! Stephanie will work with our Lee County schools and western Whiteside County school districts. Even though school districts are out for the summer, we are still working with our Nexus families to ensure they have support and helping ensure they are enrolled and getting ready for school in August.

**Office of Professional Learning & Ed Services: Student Attendance Support**

Welcome Nellie Burke to our Student Support team! This summer, we are working hard to meet with our local legal support, school districts, and our team to create a community-based plan for truancy. We are still looking for a Student Attendance Support worker for Ogle County. We have been conducting interviews over the last two months. We have completed the TAOEP grant before the due date and will be working this year to plan for our next grant cycle, which will be a competitive application for TAOEP services.

## Parents as Teachers First Years

June has been all about preparing for the big move – packing and unpacking. It has been a tremendous job and the parent educators have really gone above and beyond to make sure that our new facility looks attractive and inviting to families. Here is a sampling of some before and after pictures. The giant pile of boxes is only a small portion of the actual number of boxes that we had to unpack into our new space. We have definitely mastered the art of making things fit!





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We,



along with our Education Outreach friends,

had unique ways to dispose of unwanted items.

We had to donate some items to our Goodwill neighbors and make the trash fit in our dumpster.

## Education Outreach Program

The Education Outreach Program has officially made the move from Wallace Education Center to 2214 E. 4th Street, Suite C!

On June 28th, we honored this year's 15 graduates. Congratulations to Myria from Lee County for graduating in June!



The Education Outreach Program has also begun taking new enrollments and we are excited to optimize our new location and staff. The program services Lee, Ogle and Whiteside residents between the ages of 17-24 who are no longer enrolled in school. Individuals receive instruction that results in the completion of the HSE exam to earn their Illinois High School Diploma. In addition, individuals will be guided in career-readiness skills to help them secure and maintain employment.

## McKinney Vento Homeless Program

The Office move has been a major factor in the activities accomplished. Special training has been completed at various locations for the preparation of staff for the fall registration and proper identification of our students. Funding is being completed to prepare for the needs of students in August.



**MONTHLY ZONING AND PLANNING REPORT**  
July 10, 2023 – County Services Committee

**ACTIONS COMING FROM THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS – July 6, 2023**

- Petition 23-P-1610, Petitioner HTIMS LP, PPN# 10-13-14-301-006, map amendment from R-2 Single Family Residential District to C-2 Planned Office and Business District for small equipment sales, service, and repair, Harmon Township
- Petition 23-P-1611, Petitioner HTIMS LP, PPN# 10-13-14-301-008, map amendment from R-2 Single Family Residential District to C-2 Planned Office and Business District for small equipment sales, service, and repair, Harmon Township
- Petition 23-P-1612, Petitioner Lee County Zoning Office, PPN# 20-11-23-100-005, map amendment from I-3 Heavy Industrial District to C-3 General Business District, Viola Township
- Petition 23-P-1613, Petitioner Lee County Zoning Office, PPN# 20-11-23-100-005, revocation of Special Use, Viola Township
- Petition 23-P-1614, Petitioner Lee County Zoning Office, PPN# 20-11-23-100-006, revocation of Special Use, Viola Township

**ACTIONS GOING TO THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS – August 3, 2023**

- Petition 23-P-1615, Petitioner John Hilliker, PPN# 06-09-23-300-006, Special Use to operate business from Property with one onsite employee
- Petition 23-P-1616, Petitioner Wiggins Solar, LLC, PPN# 18-08-11-400-014, Special Use for a Solar Energy System – South Dixon Township

**ACTIONS COMING FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION – July 17, 2023**

- Petition 23-P-74, Petition to amend the text of Lee County Code 10-4: Ag-1 Rural/Agricultural District

**ACTIONS GOING TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION –**

- None

**OTHER ACTIONS FROM THE ZONING OFFICE**

The Zoning Board of Appeals public hearing for Petition 23-P-1610, HTIMS LP, will be meeting on July 6, 2023. The recommendation for this petition will be voted on at the July County Board meeting.

The Zoning Board of Appeals public hearing for Petition 23-P-1611, HTIMS LP, will be meeting on July 6, 2023. The recommendation for this petition will be voted on at the July County Board meeting.

The Zoning Board of Appeals public hearing for Petition 23-P-1612, Lee County Zoning Office, will be meeting on July 6, 2023. The recommendation for this petition will be voted on at the July County Board meeting.



The Zoning Board of Appeals public hearing for Petition 23-P-1613, Lee County Zoning Office, will be meeting on July 6, 2023. The recommendation for this petition will be voted on at the July County Board meeting.

The Zoning Board of Appeals public hearing for Petition 23-P-1614, Lee County Zoning Office, will be meeting on July 6, 2023. The recommendation for this petition will be voted on at the July County Board meeting.

The Planning Commission public hearing for Petition 23-PC-74, amending the text of the Lee County Code 10-4: Ag-1 Rural/Agricultural District, will be meeting on Monday, July 17, 2023. The recommendation for this petition will be moved to the July County Board meeting and held over until the August County Board meeting.