1. CALL TO ORDER

7:30 AM meeting was called to order by Chair Sam Tornatore at 7:30 AM.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Chaplin, Covert, Elliott, Tornatore, Zay
ABSENT: Krajewski

Other County Board Members present: Sean Noonan, Don Puchalski, Julie Renehan, Greg Hart.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Legislative & Governmental Affairs Committee - Regular Meeting - Oct 22, 2019 8:45 AM

RESULT: ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVED: James Zay, District 6
SECONDED: Elizabeth Chaplin, District 2
AYES: Chaplin, Covert, Elliott, Tornatore, Zay
ABSENT: Krajewski

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no Public Comment.

5. CHAIRMAN’S REMARKS - CHAIR TORNATORE

Chairman Tornatore welcomed everyone and wished all a Happy New Year.

6. LEGISLATIVE PROGRAMS

A. LEG-R-0037-20 RESOLUTION -- Resolution Adopting the County’s 2020 State Legislative Program
Chairman Tornatore introduced Sheryl Markay to discuss the 2020 State Legislative Program. A brief introduction was given on the nine legislative priorities.

A brief discussion ensued regarding the items included on the Legislative Program. Member Zay suggested writing letters to the FCC commissioners during the comment period to provide input on small cell technology. The Committee was informed that Senator Glowiak may be putting a Task Force together to address public health concerns. Chris Snyder, Director of Transportation, is working closely with the telecom companies on the County's behalf to implement the deployment of small cell technology. Reducing the cost of local elections was addressed with input from Adam Johnson, DuPage County Deputy Clerk. The Committee learned that 40% of voters will vote early or by mail and it was suggested by Member Chaplin that the Clerk will need support to operate 12 early voting sites and 280 projected polling places. Member Hart would like funding to combat substance use disorder added as an additional priority or added to the current mental health priority.

Mr. Chip Humes, lobbyist for the County was introduced by the Chair. Mr. Humes gave a brief update as to what was happening in Springfield. The uncertainty surrounding the naming of a new Senate President will end with the election of a new Senate President on Sunday, January 19, 2020.

Chairman Tornatore stated that the 2020 Federal Legislative Program will be presented at the February meeting of this Committee. Board Members are welcome to send Bills and priority recommendations to Ms. Markay for consideration.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: James Zay, District 6
SECONDER: Elizabeth Chaplin, District 2
AYES: Chaplin, Covert, Elliott, Tornatore, Zay
ABSENT: Krajewski

7. OLD BUSINESS
There was no Old Business discussed.

8. NEW BUSINESS
Chairman Tornatore suggested the Springfield drive down take place the first week in April.

9. ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 AM.