

1. Pursuant to a call signed by thirteen members (being more than ½ the members of said Board), which was duly received and filed by the Clerk of said Board on the 18th day of November, 2008, and due notice having been given by the Clerk by publication in a newspaper published in the County of Henry in words and figures as follows:

“You are hereby notified that the County Board of Henry County will meet in **ORGANIZATIONAL SESSION** on **Monday, December 1, 2008**, at **6:00 P.M.** Said meeting will be held in the **COUNTY BOARD ROOM**, Judicial Wing, Room 102J, Henry County Courthouse in the Village of Cambridge, Illinois.

BARBARA M. LINK  
County Clerk”

A certificate of Publication by said newspaper being on file and also by mailing a notice to each member of said Board in words and figures as follows, to-wit:

#### OFFICE OF COUNTY CLERK

Cambridge, Illinois November 24, 2008. Notice is hereby given that the County Board of Henry County will meet in **ORGANIZATIONAL SESSION** at the hour of **6:00 P.M.** on **Monday, December 1, 2008**. Said meeting will be held in the **FIRST FLOOR JUDICIAL WING** in the Henry County Courthouse in the Village of Cambridge, Illinois.

A certificate of mailing said notice being on file, the Henry County Board of the County of Henry and State of Illinois, convened in **ORGANIZATIONAL SESSION in the FIRST FLOOR JUDICIAL WING** in the Henry County Courthouse in the Village of Cambridge, in the County and State aforesaid, on Monday, the **1st** day of **December, 2008** at **6:00 P.M.**

2. The meeting was called to order by Barb Link, Henry County Clerk/Recorder.

3. The meeting was opened with a prayer by JoAnne Hillman, after which the pledge of allegiance to the flag was given.

4. Clerk Link swore in the newly elected and re-elected County Board Members as follows: Jason DeSplinter, Jim Eccher, James Kursock, Rick Livesay, Tom Nicholson, Bill Preston, Patricia Ripperger, Ron Salisbury, Tom Steele, Dennis Sullivan, Jerry Thompson, Karen Urick, and Muriel Weber.

5. Clerk Link opened the floor for nominations for a Temporary Chairman to preside over the Organizational Meeting. Member Jerry Thompson nominated Member

Tom Nicholson as Temporary Chairman and he declined. Member Tom Nicholson nominated Member Tom Steele as Temporary Chairman. Clerk Link asked for further nominations three times, and having none Clerk Link asked for those in favor of Tom Steele to preside as Temporary Chairman to vote “Aye”, oppose “Naye”. All members unanimously voting “Aye”.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

6. By acclamation, Barbara Link declared Member Tom Steele to preside as Temporary Chairman.

7. Temporary Chairman Tom Steele explained the procedures of nominating the County Board Chairman and Vice Chairman.

8. Clerk Link called the Roll. **Twenty-four** members **present**: J. Crouch, J. Eccher, J. Hillman, R. Livesay, B. Murphy, T. Nicholson, P. Ripperger, D. Sullivan, D. Anderson, J. King, K. Nelson, R. Nordstrom, B. Preston, T. Steele, K. Urick, M. Weber, A. DeSmith, J. DeSplinter, J. Kursock, J. May, R. Salisbury, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, and J. Thompson.

9. Temporary Chairman Tom Steele appointed Barbara Link, County Clerk, to serve as Recording Clerk for the Organizational Meeting.

10. Temporary Chairman Tom Steele asked for nominations for County Board Chairman.

11. Member John Sovanski nominated Member Tom Nicholson as County Board Chairman. Temporary Chairman Tom Steele asked for further nominations three times, having none, Temporary Chairman Tom Steele declared nominations closed.

12. Member Jerry Thompson moved to elect Tom Nicholson as County Board Chairman by acclamation. Member Jim King seconded the motion.  
Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

13. Temporary Chairman Tom Steele declared Tom Nicholson as the Chairman of the County Board.

14. Chairman Tom Nicholson asked for nominations for County Board Vice Chairman.

15. Member Pat Ripperger nominated Member John Sovanski as Vice Chairman.

16. Member Bill Preston nominated Member Dennis Anderson as Vice Chairman.

17. Chairman Tom Nicholson asked for further nominations three times, having none, Chairman Nicholson asked for a motion to close nominations for County Board Vice Chairman.

18. Member Jim King moved to close nominations for County Board Vice Chairman. Member Tom Steele seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

19. A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **fifteen** members voting for **Vice Chairman John Sovanski** as follows: J. Crouch, J. Eccher, J. Hillman, B. Murphy, T. Nicholson, P. Ripperger, D. Sullivan, J. King, T. Steele, A. DeSmith, J. Kursock, J. May, R. Salisbury, T. Sturtevant, and J. Thompson. **Seven** members voting for **Vice Chairman Dennis Anderson** as follows: R. Livesay, K. Nelson, R. Nordstrom, B. Preston, K. Urick, M. Weber, and J. DeSplinter. Two members abstained: D. Anderson, and J. Sovanski.

20. Chairman Tom Nicholson declared Member John Sovanski as County Board Vice Chairman.

21. Chairman Tom Nicholson gave a few remarks as newly elected County Board Chairman. Henry County Board Committee appointments were passed out and reviewed.

22. Member James Eccher made a motion to accept the Henry County Board Committee Appointments as recommended. Member Jan May seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

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23. Member James Kursock made a motion to adjourn. Member Jan May seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.