

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 13th day of September, 2011, 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:

Notice is hereby given that the County Board of Henry County will meet in **RECESSED ANNUAL SESSION** at the hour of **6:00 P.M.** on **Tuesday, October 11, 2011**. The proposed FY 11-12 Henry County Budget will be presented and held over with final action to be taken at the November 2011 Henry County Board Meeting. Said meeting will be held in the County Board Room, Judicial Wing, Room 102 J, 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 October 6, 2011

You are hereby notified that the the County Board of Henry County will meet in **RECESSED ANNUAL SESSION** on Tuesday, **October 11, 2011, 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.

A certificate of mailing said notice being on file, the Henry County Board of the County of Henry and State of Illinois, convened in **RECESSED ANNUAL SESSION** in the Village of Cambridge, the County and State aforesaid, on Tuesday, the **11th** day of **October, 2011** at 6:00 P.M.

2. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Tim Wells.

3. The meeting was opened with a prayer by Chaplain Kathy Nelson after which the pledge of allegiance to the flag was given.

4. A Call of the Roll by County Clerk, Barbara Link showed **twenty-two** members **present**: Jim Eccher, Roger Gradert, Rick Livesay, Pat Ripperger, Dennis Sullivan, Tim Wells, Dennis Anderson, Kathy Nelson, Kippy Nelson, Bill Preston, Tom Steele, Karen Urick, Muriel Weber, Jon Zahm, Ann DeSmith, Jason DeSplinter, Jim

Kursock, Jan May, Jim Findley, John Sovanski, Ted Sturtevant and Jerry Thompson.
Two members were **absent**: Rebekah McCaw and Dan Swanson.

5. Member Jason DeSplinter moved to approve the agenda of the October 11, 2011 County Board meeting and amend by moving County Board Presentations B to A and A to B; and changing the 4-H Presentation to Miss Megan Reed and not Mr. Randy Winfree. Member Muriel Weber seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

6. Chairman Tim Wells asked for Public Comment.

The following individuals spoke **in opposition of layoffs in the Sheriff's Office**:

Mr. James Daniels, Attorney for the Fraternal Order of Police from Springfield, IL,
Mr. Kerry Loncka, Lieutenant for the Henry County Sheriff's Department
Mr. Scott Raley, 15 year Patrol Officer for the Henry County Sheriff's Dept.
Ms. Rachael Kessinger, Sheriff's Office
Mr. Steve Weaver, Sergeant and 25 year employee of the Henry County Sheriff's Dept.
Mr. James Padilla, Henry County Sheriff

The following individuals spoke **in favor of Mr. Eric Jones, I-80 Equipment Zoning Application 11-11 MA**:

Ms. Sally Gordon
Ms. Linda Snell
Ms. Kathy Christianson
Mr. Larry Robinson
Mr. Jordan Jones
Mr. Rick Robinson
Mr. Jason Holliday
Mr. Brandon Jones
Mr. James Roberts
Ms. Karen Luymes
Mr. Mike Shamsey, Real Estate Developer and representative for Mr. Erik Jones
Mr. Erik Jones

The following individuals spoke in **opposition of Mr. Eric Jones' Zoning Application**:

Mr. Larry Swemline, Colona, IL, Alderman of the City of Colona
Ms. Jennifer Roth
Ms. Amber Einfeldt
Mr. Bill Zimmerman

The following individual spoke in **opposition of layoffs within the Courthouse**:

Mr. Randy Lynch, AFSCME Representative

The following individual spoke regarding the **County's financial situation**:

Mr. Dean Kernan, Alpha, IL

7. Member Pat Ripperger moved to approve and place on file the September 13, 2011 County Board meeting minutes. Member Rick Livesay seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

8. **Ms. Kate Barton, Chief Executive Officer of the Henry County Housing Authority**, gave a **presentation** of the Housing Authority and distributed a report.

9. **Miss Megan Reed, Cambridge 4-H Club**, gave a **presentation** on how she is involved in the program and how it has affected her life and asked the board to support the 4-H Extension.

10. Member Jason DeSplinter moved to approve and place on file the monthly reports of the Henry County Health Department, Economic Development Partnership, Veterans Assistance Commission, Henry County Tourism Bureau, and the County Clerk/Recorder monthly fee report. Member John Sovanski seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

11. Member Rick Livesay moved to **confirm** the **appointments** of **Mr. George W. Bowman, Mr. Henry J. Bowman, and Mr. Ronald Neumann**, to the **Aqueduct Special Drainage District**, for terms from October 11, 2011 to September 1, 2014, September 1, 2013 and September 1, 2012 respectively. Member Roger Gradert seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote with the exception of
Mr. Jon Zahm present with no vote.

12. Member Roger Gradert moved to **confirm** the **appointments** of **Mr. Stephen Swanson, Mr. Lloyd Whitsell, and Mr. Ansley Carlson** to the **North Edwards River and West Mud Creek Drainage District**, for terms from **October 11, 2011 to September 1, 2014, September 1, 2013, and September 1, 2012 respectively**. Member Pat Ripperger seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

13. Member Ann DeSmith moved to **hold over** until the November 8, 2011 County Board meeting the **appointments** of **Mr. Dwaine C. Verbeck and Mr. Steve VanHyfte** to the **Mud Creek Special Drainage District** for terms from **November 8, 2011 to September 1, 2013 and September 1, 2014 respectively**. Member Kathy Nelson seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

14. Member Jim Findley moved to **hold over** until the November 8, 2011 County Board meeting the **reappointment** of **Dr. David Modder** to the position of the **Henry County Animal Control Administrator**, for a term from **December 1, 2011** to **November 30, 2012**. Member Jerry Thompson seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

15. Member Jerry Thompson moved to **hold over** until the November 8, 2011 County Board meeting the **reappointment** of **Dr. Chris Ryan** to the position of **Henry County Animal Control Assistant Administrator**, for a term from **December 1, 2011** to **November 30, 2012**. Member Jan May seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

16. Member Jim Findley moved to **hold over** until the November 8, 2011 County Board meeting the reappointments of **Chief Thomas J. Piotrowski, Mr. Dennis Mallum, Mr. Dale Croegaert, and Ms. Carol Zimmerman** to the **911 Emergency Telephone System Board**, for terms from **December 1, 2011** to **November 30, 2015**. Member Jan May seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

17. Member Karen Urick, Health and Social Services Committee Chairperson, moved to approve and place on file the Health and Social Services Committee report. Member Muriel Weber seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

18. Member Karen Urick moved to approve and place on file the amended **Henry County Food Ordinance**. Member Jan May seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **twenty** members voting **“Aye”**: J. Eccher, R. Gradert, R. Livesay, P. Ripperger, D. Sullivan, T. Wells, D. Anderson, Kathy Nelson, B. Preston, T. Steele, K. Urick, M. Weber, J. Zahm, A. DeSmith, J. Kursock, J. May, J. Findley, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, and J. Thompson. **Two** members voting **“Naye”**: Kippy Nelson and J. DeSplinter. **Two** members were **absent**: R. McCaw and D. Swanson.

Motion Carried.

19. Member Ann DeSmith, Planning and Development Committee Chairperson, moved to approve **Zoning Application 11-11 MA** submitted by **Jones Lease Properties, LLC/Erik Jones** for general business use on 7 acres NW part of 68.81 acre tract W1/2 NW1/4 Section 13 T17N R1E, 4th P.M., **Colona Township**. Member Bill Preston seconded the motion.

20. Member Jon Zahm moved to **table** the motion until the November 8, 2011 County Board meeting. Member Dennis Sullivan seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **one** member voting **“Aye”**: Jon Zahm. **Twenty** members voting **“Naye”**: J. Eccher, R. Gradert, R. Livesay, P. Ripperger, D. Sullivan, D. Anderson, Kathy Nelson, Kippy Nelson, B. Preston, T. Steele, K. Urick,

M. Weber, A. DeSmith, J. DeSplinter, J. Kursock, J. May, J. Findley, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, and J. Thompson. **One member abstained:** T. Wells. **Two** members were **absent:** R. McCaw and D. Swanson.

Motion Failed.

21. Back to the main motion to **approve Zoning Application 11-11 MA.**
A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **four** members voting **“Aye”**: D. Sullivan, B. Preston, M. Weber, and J. Zahm. **Seventeen** members voting **“Naye”**: J. Eccher, R. Gradert, R. Livesay, P. Ripperger, D. Anderson, Kathy Nelson, Kippy Nelson, T. Steele, K. Urick, A. DeSmith, J. DeSplinter, J. Kursock, J. May, J. Findley, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, and J. Thompson. **One member abstained:** T. Wells. **Two** members were **absent:** R. McCaw and D. Swanson.

Motion Failed.

22. Member Ann DeSmith moved to approve and place on file the Planning and Development Committee reports. Member Jason DeSplinter seconded the motion.
Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

23. Member Rick Livesay, Transportation Committee Chairman, moved to adopt a **Road Upgrade and Maintenance Agreement between Henry County and Iberdola.** Member Ted Sturtevant seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **twenty-two** members voting **“Aye”**: J. Eccher, R. Gradert, R. Livesay, P. Ripperger, D. Sullivan, T. Wells, D. Anderson, Kathy Nelson, Kippy Nelson, B. Preston, T. Steele, K. Urick, M. Weber, J. Zahm, A. DeSmith, J. DeSplinter, J. Kursock, J. May, J. Findley, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, and J. Thompson. **Two** members were **absent:** R. McCaw and D. Swanson.

Motion Carried.

24. Member Rick Livesay moved to approve and place on file the Transportation Committee report. Member Jim Findley seconded the motion.
Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

25. Member Dennis Anderson, Finance Committee Chairman, moved to approve and place on file the Treasurer’s September bank balance reports and interest earned reports. Member Kathy Nelson seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

26. Member Dennis Anderson moved to approve the payment of the September **county accounts** in the amount of **\$3,145,602.97.** Member Jerry Thompson seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **twenty-two** members voting **“Aye”**: J. Eccher, R. Gradert, R. Livesay, P. Ripperger, D. Sullivan, T. Wells, D. Anderson, Kathy Nelson, Kippy Nelson, B. Preston, T. Steele, K. Urick, M. Weber, J.

Zahm, A. DeSmith, J. DeSplinter, J. Kursock, J. May, J. Findley, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, and J. Thompson. **Two** members were **absent**: R. McCaw and D. Swanson.
Motion Carried.

27. Member Dennis Anderson moved to adopt a Resolution for a **Deed of Conveyance** to **Joseph E. Meyer**, Henry County Tax Agent, on the following parcel **20-32-179-002**. Member Jerry Thompson seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **twenty-two** members voting **“Aye”**: J. Eccher, R. Gradert, R. Livesay, P. Ripperger, D. Sullivan, T. Wells, D. Anderson, Kathy Nelson, Kippy Nelson, B. Preston, T. Steele, K. Urick, M. Weber, J. Zahm, A. DeSmith, J. DeSplinter, J. Kursock, J. May, J. Findley, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, and J. Thompson. **Two** members were **absent**: R. McCaw and D. Swanson.
Motion Carried.

28. Member Dennis Anderson moved to **hold over** until the November 8, 2011 County Board meeting the proposed **FY12 Henry County Budget**. Member Jim Eccher seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

29. Member Dennis Anderson moved to approve an **Amendment** to **Resolution 11-23** Establishing a **Henry County Early Retirement Incentive**, provision #5 stating “Employees taking advantage of this offer cannot be employed by the County in either a full-time or part-time basis while receiving this incentive” shall be removed. Member Pat Ripperger seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **eighteen** members voting **“Aye”**: J. Eccher, R. Gradert, R. Livesay, P. Ripperger, T. Wells, D. Anderson, Kathy Nelson, Kippy Nelson, B. Preston, T. Steele, M. Weber, J. Zahm, A. DeSmith, J. DeSplinter, J. Kursock, J. Findley, T. Sturtevant, and J. Thompson. **Four** members voting **“Naye”**: D. Sullivan, K. Urick, J. May, and J. Sovanski. **Two** members were **absent**: R. McCaw and D. Swanson.

Motion Carried.

30. Member Dennis Anderson moved to approve and place on file the Finance Committee report. Member Jerry Thompson seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

31. Member Kippy Nelson, Executive Committee Chairperson, moved to adopt **Resolution 11-26** to establish continued economic development in Henry County as a major priority and continue to support the **Rural Revolving Loan Fund program** to assist small business in the County. Member Jason DeSplinter seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **twenty-two** members voting **“Aye”**: J. Eccher, R. Gradert, R. Livesay, P. Ripperger, D. Sullivan, T. Wells, D. Anderson, Kathy Nelson, Kippy Nelson, B. Preston, T. Steele, K. Urick, M. Weber, J. Zahm, A. DeSmith, J. DeSplinter, J. Kursock, J. May, J. Findley, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, and J. Thompson. **Two** members were **absent**: R. McCaw and D. Swanson.

Motion Carried.

32. Member Kippy Nelson recommended the Board approve a **letter** to our local legislators **opposing the passage of HB3828**. Member Jim Eccher seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

33. Member Kippy Nelson moved to approve and place on file the Executive Committee report. Member Rick Livesay seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

34. Member Bill Preston, Communications Committee Chairman, moved to approve and place on file the Communications Committee report. Member Jim Findley seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via voice Vote.

35. Member Roger Gradert, Administration Committee Chairman, moved to approve and place on file the Administration Committee report. Member Ted Sturtevant seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

36. Member Jason DeSplinter, Public Safety Committee Chairman, moved to approve and place on file the Public Safety Committee report. Member Jim Kursock seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

37. Chairman Tim Wells asked for County Board Comment.

Member Ann DeSmith read a letter from the Henry County Soil and Water Conservation District.

Member Jon Zahm did not appreciate the word “abused” that Mr. Randy Lynch, AFSCME Representative used in his statement on behalf of the layoffs. Member Jon Zahm stated that abuse would be the fact that union dues are being taken out of paychecks even if employees do not want them to be. Member Jon Zahm also mentioned Representative Donald Moffitt will be visiting Geneseo tomorrow.

Member Pat Ripperger reported that there will be Special Session County Board meetings on October 18, 2011 and October 25, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.

Member Jan May said that elected and appointed officials have sent letters regarding Courthouse layoffs, and she does not want to see layoffs either.

38. Member Jerry Thompson moved to recess until the **October 18, 2011 Special County Board meeting**. Member Jim Kursock seconded the motion.

39. Chairman Tim Wells declared the meeting recessed.