



MINUTES of the HENRY COUNTY BOARD

MEETING DATE: MARCH 14 2013

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 12th day February, 2013, 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 **REGULAR SESSION** on **Thursday, March 14, 2013, 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 BOARD

Cambridge, Illinois _____ March 7, 2013 _____
You are hereby notified that the the County Board of Henry County will meet in **REGULAR SESSION** on Thursday, **March 14, 2013, 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 **REGULAR SESSION** in the Village of Cambridge, the County and State aforesaid, on Thursday, the 14th day of March, 2013 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 M. Link showed **nineteen members present:** Ann DeSmith, Marvin Gradert, JoAnne Hillman, Rick Livesay, Kathy Nelson, Bill Preston, Loren Rathjen, Jacob Waller, Tim Wells, Dennis Anderson, James Findley, Roger Gradert, Jim Kursock, Jan May, Tom May, Kippy Nelson, John Sovanski, Ted Sturtevant, and Jerry Thompson. **One member was absent:** Karen Urick.
5. Member JoAnne Hillman moved to approve the agenda of the March 14, 2013 County Board meeting. Member Jim Findley seconded the motion.
Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.
6. Chairman Tim Well asked for Public Comment.

7. Member Jan May moved to approve and place on file the February 12, 2013 County Board Meeting Minutes. Member Roger Gradert seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

8. Member Karen Urick arrived at 6:05 p.m.

9. Ms. Angie Zarvell, Regional Superintendent of Schools, gave a presentation and distributed a handout.

10. Mr. Tony Franklin, University of Illinois Extension Director for Henry, Mercer, Rock Island, and Stark Counties, gave a presentation and distributed a packet of information.

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11. Member Jan May moved to approve and place on file the monthly reports of the Bi-State Regional Commission, Henry County Health Department, Veterans Assistance Commission, and the County Clerk/Recorder Monthly Fee report. Member Kippy Nelson seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

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12. Under Communications: Member Kathy Nelson gave an update on Abilities Plus. Member Karen Urick spoke regarding the "Save the Date" insert celebrating the **National Public Health Week at Henry and Stark County Health Departments the week of April 1 through April 7, 2013**. There will be refreshments, free health checks, door prizes, facility tours, free giveaways, and health information.

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13. Member Jerry Thompson moved to confirm the reappointment of Mr. John Sovanski to the Kewanee Community Fire District for a term from April 1, 2013 to April 30, 2016. Member Ann DeSmith seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

One member abstained: John Sovanski.

14. Member Karen Urick moved to confirm the reappointment of Mr. John Nilsson to the Geneseo Fire Protection District, for a term from April 1, 2013 to April 30, 2016. Member Roger Gradert seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

15. Member Roger Gradert moved to hold over until the April 11, 2013 County Board meeting the following appointments/reappointments:

Reappointment of Mr. Victor Dzekunskas, Sr. to the Colona Fire Department for a term from April 1, 2013 to April 30, 2016.

Reappointment of Mr. Albert Hulting to the Annawan/Alba Fire District, for a term from April 1, 2013 to April 30, 2016.

Member Jerry Thompson seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

16. Member Karen Urick, Health and Social Services Committee Chairperson, moved to approve and place on file the Health and Social Services Committee report. Member Jan May seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

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17. Member Roger Gradert, Administration Committee Chairman, moved to approve a **Revision to the Schedule of Personnel Practices** defining seniority/years of services to be determined by the amount of continuous full-time service. Member Kathy Nelson seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **sixteen** members voting "Aye": A. DeSmith, M. Gradert, J. Hillman, R. Livesay, Kathy Nelson, B. Preston, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, J. Waller, T. Wells, D. Anderson, R. Gradert, J. May, T. May, Kippy Nelson, and T. Sturtevant. **Four** members voting "Naye": J. Findley, J. Kursock, J. Sovanski, and J. Thompson.

Motion Carried.
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18. Member Roger Gradert moved to approve and place on file the Administration Committee report. Member Marvin Gradert seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.
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19. Member Dennis Anderson, Finance Committee Chairman, moved to approve and place on file the Treasurer's February bank balance reports and interest earned reports. Member Jerry Thompson seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.
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20. Member Dennis Anderson moved to approve and place on file the County Clerk's February fund balance reports. Member Loren Rathjen seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.
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21. Member Dennis Anderson moved to approve the payment of the February county accounts in the amount of **\$1,867,334.37**. Member Jerry Thompson seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **twenty** members voting "Aye": A. DeSmith, M. Gradert, J. Hillman, R. Livesay, Kathy Nelson, B. Preston, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, J. Waller, T. Wells, D. Anderson, J. Findley, R. Gradert, J. Kursock, J. May, T. May, Kippy Nelson, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, and J. Thompson.

Motion Carried.
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22. Member Dennis Anderson moved to approve the **Resolution 13-03** amending the **FY13 budget** for the **Animal Control Department (8270)**. Member Ann DeSmith seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **twenty** members voting "Aye": A. DeSmith, M. Gradert, J. Hillman, R. Livesay, Kathy Nelson, B. Preston, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, J. Waller, T. Wells, D. Anderson, J. Findley, R. Gradert, J. Kursock, J. May, T. May, Kippy Nelson, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, and J. Thompson.

Motion Carried.
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23. Member Dennis Anderson moved to approve a **tiered wage system for non-union employees** and to **offer the system to the affected labor unions**. Member Jim Findley seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **twenty** members voting "Aye": A. DeSmith, M. Gradert, J. Hillman, R. Livesay, Kathy Nelson, B. Preston, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, J. Waller, T. Wells, D. Anderson, J. Findley, R. Gradert, J. Kursock, J. May, T. May, Kippy Nelson, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, and J. Thompson.

Motion Carried.
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24. 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.
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25. Member Rick Livesay, Transportation Committee Chairman, moved to approve the purchase of a **new motor road grader** from **Martin Equipment** of IA/IL in the amount of **\$210,000.00** for the Highway Department. Member Ted Sturtevant seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **twenty** members voting "Aye": A. DeSmith, M. Gradert, J. Hillman, R. Livesay, Kathy Nelson, B. Preston, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, J. Waller, T. Wells, D. Anderson, J. Findley, R. Gradert, J. Kursock, J. May, T. May, Kippy Nelson, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, and J. Thompson.

Motion Carried.
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26. Member Rick Livesay moved to approve and place on file the Transportation Committee report. Member Jacob Waller seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.
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27. Member John Sovanski, Executive Committee Chairperson, moved to **approve the creation of the Accounting Administrator and Office Manager/Accounting Administrator job descriptions and revisions to the Human Resource Associate job description**. Member Dennis Anderson seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **twenty** members voting "Aye": A. DeSmith, M. Gradert, J. Hillman, R. Livesay, Kathy Nelson, B. Preston, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, J. Waller, T. Wells, D. Anderson, J. Findley, R. Gradert, J. Kursock, J. May, T. May, Kippy Nelson, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, and J. Thompson.

Motion Carried.
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28. Member John Sovanski moved to approve **Resolution 13-04 designating April 2013 as National County Government month**. Member Jerry Thompson seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **nineteen** members voting "Aye": A. DeSmith, M. Gradert, J. Hillman, R. Livesay, Kathy Nelson, B. Preston, K. Urick, J. Waller, T. Wells, D. Anderson, J. Findley, R. Gradert, J. Kursock, J. May, T. May, Kippy Nelson, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, and J. Thompson. **One** member abstained: L. Rathjen.

Motion Carried.
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29. Member John Sovanski moved to approve and place on file the Executive Committee report. Member Jim Findley seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

30. Member JoAnne Hillman, Communications Committee Chairperson, reported the Communications Committee was cancelled due to the snow.

31. Member Kippy Nelson, Public Safety Committee Chairperson, moved to approve **the IL Emergency Management Agency Grant Adjustment Notice for FY12** adjusting the **reimbursement amount to \$7,475.83**. Member Ann DeSmith seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **twenty** members voting "Aye": A. DeSmith, M. Gradert, J. Hillman, R. Livesay, Kathy Nelson, B. Preston, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, J. Waller, T. Wells, D. Anderson, J. Findley, R. Gradert, J. Kursock, J. May, T. May, Kippy Nelson, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, and J. Thompson.

Motion Carried.
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32. Member Kippy Nelson moved to approve and place on file the Public Safety Committee report. Member Tom May seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.
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33. Member Ann DeSmith, Planning and Development Committee Chairperson, moved to approve **Zoning Application 13-02 SU** for the purpose of considering an Article 14 R-3 Residential Section 14.3 **Special Use Permit/rural small business application by Trafton Hodge** for equipment and truck storage on the following: 2 acres Pt N ½ NE ¼ NE ¼ Section 29 T 15N, R5E, 4th P.M., Kewanee Township. Member Jerry Thompson seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **twenty** members voting "Aye": A. DeSmith, M. Gradert, J. Hillman, R. Livesay, Kathy Nelson, B. Preston, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, J. Waller, T. Wells, D. Anderson, J. Findley, R. Gradert, J. Kursock, J. May, T. May, Kippy Nelson, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, and J. Thompson.

Motion Carried.
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34. Member Ann DeSmith moved to approve and place on file the Planning and Development Committee report. Member Marvin Gradert seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.
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35. Chairman Wells asked for a motion to **approve Resolution 13-05 Adopting the Revised Articles of Agreement of the Bi-State Regional Commission**. Member JoAnne Hillman seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **twenty** members voting "Aye": A. DeSmith, M. Gradert, J. Hillman, R. Livesay, Kathy Nelson, B. Preston, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, J. Waller, T. Wells, D. Anderson, J. Findley, R. Gradert, J. Kursock, J. May, T. May, Kippy Nelson, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, and J. Thompson.

Motion Carried.
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36. Chairman Tim Wells asked for County Board comment.

Chairman Wells announced the next County Board meeting will be held at the Hammond-Henry Hospital.

37. Member Roger Gradert moved to go into **closed session per 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(2)** to review closed session minutes. Member Ann DeSmith seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **twenty** members voting "Aye": A. DeSmith, M. Gradert, J. Hillman, R. Livesay, Kathy Nelson, B. Preston, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, J. Waller, T. Wells, D. Anderson, J. Findley, R. Gradert, J. Kursock, J. May, T. May, Kippy Nelson, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, and J. Thompson.

Motion Carried.

38. Member Roger Gradert moved to resume back into regular session. Member Dennis Anderson seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

39. Member John Sovanski moved to release the following closed session minutes: February 12, 2013A, February 12, 2013B, November 13, 2012, September 11, 2012. Member Ted Sturtevant seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.
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40. Member Jan May moved to **adjourn until the April 11, 2013 County Board meeting to be held at the Hammond-Henry Hospital, 600 North College St, Geneseo, IL, 1st Floor Main Conference Room**. Member JoAnn Hillman seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

41. Chairman Tim Wells declared the meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.