



## MINUTES of the HENRY COUNTY BOARD

MEETING DATE: NOVEMBER 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 10th day October, 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 **RECESSED ANNUAL SESSION** on **Thursday, November 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 \_\_\_\_\_ November 7, 2013 \_\_\_\_\_  
You are hereby notified that the the County Board of Henry County will meet in **RECESSED ANNUAL SESSION** on **Thursday, November 14, 2013, at 6:00 p.m.** The County Board will take final action on the proposed FY 13-14 Henry County Budget and adopt the 2013 Henry County Tax Levy Ordinance. 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 Thursday, the 14th day of **November, 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 **eighteen members present:** Ann DeSmith, Marvin Gradert, JoAnne Hillman, Rick Livesay, Kathy Nelson, Bill Preston, Loren Rathjen, Karen Urick, Tim Wells, Dennis Anderson, Don DeDobbelaere, Jim Findley, Roger Gradert, Jim Kursock, Jan May, John Sovanski, Ted Sturtevant, and Jerry Thompson. **Two members were absent:** Thomas May and Jacob Waller.
5. Member Roger Gradert moved to approve the revised agenda of the November 14, 2013 Recessed Annual Session County Board meeting and amend by deleting Item 6.B.4. Member Dennis Anderson seconded the motion.  
Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

6. Chairman Tim Wells asked for Public Comment.

Mr. James Larson, 13216 S County Road, Altona, spoke on behalf of Hillcrest Home and asked that the County not take money from their budget.

Ms. Jan Anderson, 1626 US Hwy 6 E, Geneseo, spoke on behalf of Hillcrest Home, asking that they not take money from their budget.

7. Member Tom May arrived at 6:07 p.m.

8. Member Jan May moved to approve and place on file the October 10, 2013 Recessed Annual Session County Board meeting minutes. Member Jim Findley seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

9. Member Jerry Thompson 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 Kathy Nelson seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

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10. Member Bill Preston gave information on the UCCI meeting.

11. Member Roger Gradert moved to **hold over** until the December 12, 2013 County Board meeting the following **reappointments**:

**Reappointment of Mr. David VanDeVelde to the Henry County Zoning Board of Appeals for a term from December 1, 2013 to November 30, 2018.**

**Reappointment of Mr. Lloyd Carlson to the Henry County Building Board of Appeals for a term from December 1, 2013 to November 30, 2016.**

**Reappointment of Mr. Bob Hepner to the Henry County Planning Committee for a term from December 1, 2013 to November 30, 2016.**

**Reappointments of Mr. John Swan, Chief Jim Dison, Mr. Tony Tracy, Mr. Tom Weston, and Chief Brian Stoudt, to the Henry County Emergency Telephone System Board for terms from December 1, 2013 to November 30, 2017.**

Member Ann DeSmith seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

12. Member Bill Preston moved to **suspend General Rule 12 in the Rules of the Henry County Board** for Items 6.C.2., 6.C.3., 6.C.4., 6.C.5., 6.C.6., and 6.C.7. Member JoAnne Hillman seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried.

13. Member Kathy Nelson moved to approve the following **appointments/reappointments**:

**Appointment of Mr. Donald DeDobbelaere to the Henry County Emergency Telephone System Board for a term from November 14, 2013 to November 30, 2014.**

**Appointment of Mr. Donald DeDobbelaere to the Henry County Local Emergency Planning Committee for a term from November 14, 2013 to November 30, 2014.**

**Appointment of Mr. Donald DeDobbelaere to the Executive Committee for a term from November 14, 2013 to November 30, 2014.**

**Reappointment of Mr. Bill Preston to the United Counties Council of Illinois for a term from December 1, 2013 to November 30, 2014.**

**Appointment of Mr. Marvin Gradert to the Communications Committee, to complete the unexpired term of Mr. Jacob Waller, for a term from December 1, 2013 to November 30, 2014.**

**Appointment of Mr. Jacob Waller to the Administration Committee, to complete the unexpired term of Mr. Marvin Gradert, for a term from December 1, 2013 to November 30, 2014.**

Member Rick Livesay seconded the motion.  
Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

14. Member Karen Urick, Health and Social Services Committee Chairperson, moved to approve and place on file the October 9, 2013 and November 6, 2013 Health and Social Services Committee reports. Member Jan May seconded the motion.  
Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.  
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15. Member Don DeDobbelaere, Public Safety Committee Chairman, moved to approve and place on file the **Illinois Department of Corrections Jail report**. Member Ann DeSmith seconded the motion.  
Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.  
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16. Member Don DeDobbelaere moved to approve the **Illinois Emergency Management Agency State-Local Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Agreement Amendment (HMGP 1935)**. Member Ann DeSmith seconded the motion.  
A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **nineteen** members voting "Aye": A. DeSmith, M. Gradert, J. Hillman, R. Livesay, K. Nelson, B. Preston, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, T. Wells, D. Anderson, D. DeDobbelaere, J. Findley, R. Gradert, J. Kursock, J. May, T. May, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, and J. Thompson. **One** member was **absent**: J. Waller.  
Motion Carried.  
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17. Member Don DeDobbelaere moved to approve and place on file the Public Safety Committee report. Member Karen Urick seconded the motion.  
Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.  
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18. Member Dennis Anderson, Finance Committee Chairman, moved to approve **Resolution 13-27 Amending the FY13 Budget** line item Computer Automation (6542) in the **Information Services Department (2060)** in the amount of **\$7,768.00** for the **purchase of eight cameras** and related maintenance/installation costs. Member JoAnne Hillman seconded the motion.  
A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **nineteen** members voting "Aye": A. DeSmith, M. Gradert, J. Hillman, R. Livesay, K. Nelson, B. Preston, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, T. Wells, D. Anderson, D. DeDobbelaere, J. Findley, R. Gradert, J. Kursock, J. May, T. May, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, and J. Thompson. **One** member was **absent**: J. Waller.  
Motion Carried.  
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19. Member Dennis Anderson moved to approve and place on file the Treasurer's October bank balance reports and interest earned reports and the County Clerk's October fund balance reports. Member Jerry Thompson seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.  
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20. Member Dennis Anderson moved to approve the payment of the October county accounts in the amount of \$3,200,341.94. 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, K. Nelson, B. Preston, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, T. Wells, D. Anderson, D. DeDobbelaere, J. Findley, R. Gradert, J. Kursock, J. May, T. May, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, and J. Thompson. One member was absent: J. Waller.

Motion Carried.  
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21. Member Dennis Anderson moved to approve the FY2014 Henry County Budget. Member Loren Rathjen seconded the motion.

22. Member Jan May moved to amend the FY14 Budget by eliminating the \$120,000.00 adjustment from Hillcrest Home. Member Bill Preston seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried.

23. Member Dennis Anderson moved to amend the FY14 Budget by reducing the IMRF (8140) line item in the amount of \$120,000.00. Member Karen Urick seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried.  
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24. Back to the main motion to approve the FY14 Henry County Budget.

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

Motion Carried.

25. Member Dennis Anderson moved to approve the 2013 Henry County Tax Levy Ordinance. Member Jerry Thompson seconded the motion.

26. Member Dennis Anderson moved to amend the 2013 Henry County Tax Levy by increasing the Tort line item \$120,000.00 and reducing the IMRF line item by \$120,000.00. Member Jerry Thompson seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried.

27. Back to the main motion to approve the 2013 Henry County Tax Levy Ordinance.

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

Motion Carried.

28. Member Dennis Anderson moved to **hold over** until the December 12, 2013 County Board meeting the **Public Safety Sales Tax Referenda** to be placed on the **March 18, 2014 General Primary Election** ballot at a rate of **1/2 %**. Member Jim Findley seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

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29. Member Dennis Anderson moved to approve **Resolution 13-28 Authorizing Participation in the State's Attorney Appellate Prosecutor Program**. 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, K. Nelson, B. Preston, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, T. Wells, D. Anderson, D. DeDobbelaere, J. Findley, R. Gradert, J. Kursock, J. May, T. May, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, and J. Thompson. One member was absent: J. Waller.

Motion Carried.

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30. Member Dennis Anderson moved to approve **Resolutions** for Joseph E. Meyer, Henry County Tax Agent, authorizing the County Board Chairman to execute **17 Deeds of Conveyance** on the following **parcel numbers**: 06-15-227-018, 05-27-126-007, 06-10-206-020, 06-10-455-016, 20-01-300-002, 20-28-379-027, 20-28-379-042, 20-28-426-013, 20-32-258-008, 20-33-102-006, 20-33-277-016, 20-33-457-026, 20-34-107-005, 21-21-229-006, 22-30-217-008, 24-33-235-005, and 24-34-110-008. 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, K. Nelson, B. Preston, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, T. Wells, D. Anderson, D. DeDobbelaere, J. Findley, R. Gradert, J. Kursock, J. May, T. May, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, and J. Thompson. One member was absent: J. Waller.

Motion Carried.

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31. Member Dennis Anderson moved to approve and place on file the Finance Committee report. Member Don DeDobbelaere seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

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32. Member JoAnne Hillman, Communications Committee Chairperson, moved to approve an **Agreement to Share Computer Hardware, Software, and Networking Between Henry County Emergency Telephone Systems Board and Henry County Government** for joint use of resources. Member Jim Findley seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried.

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33. Member JoAnne Hillman moved to approve and place on file the Communications Committee report. Member Bill Preston seconded the motion.  
Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

34. Member Roger Gradert, Administration Committee Chairman, moved to approve the **FY14 Property/Casualty and Worker's Compensation Bid** in the amount of **\$833,231.00**. Member Ted Sturtevant seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **nineteen** members voting  
"Aye": A. DeSmith, M. Gradert, J. Hillman, R. Livesay, K. Nelson, B. Preston, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, T. Wells, D. Anderson, D. DeDobbelaere, J. Findley, R. Gradert, J. Kursock, J. May, T. May, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, and J. Thompson. **One** member was **absent**: J. Waller.  
Motion Carried.  
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35. Member Roger Gradert moved to approve a three year agreement with **E-Quantum Consulting for electricity bidding** at a cost of **\$1,500.00 per year**. Ms. Colleen Gillaspie would be a point person to give approval for selection of a bid. Member Kathy Nelson seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried.  
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36. Member Roger Gradert moved to approve a three year agreement beginning December 1, 2013 for Building Operations and Maintenance with **Ruyle Mechanical, Inc.**, at a cost of **\$37,729.00** for the **first year**, **\$38,860.00** for the **second year**, and **\$40,026.00** for the **third year**. Member Ted Sturtevant seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried.  
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37. Member Roger Gradert moved to approve a **side letter** between the **FOP Labor Council and the County of Henry/Henry County Sheriff**. Member Don DeDobbelaere seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried.

38. Member Roger Gradert moved to approve and place on file the Administration Committee report. Member Jan May seconded the motion.  
Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

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39. Member Ann DeSmith, Planning and Development Committee Chairperson, moved to approve and place on file the Planning and Development Committee report. Member Roger Gradert seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

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40. Member Rick Livesay, Transportation Committee Chairman, moved to approve and a **County Maintenance Resolution** in the amount of **\$1,000,000.00 appropriating funds** for Motor Fuel Tax allotment for the maintenance on County or State Highways from January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014. 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, K. Nelson, B. Preston, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, T. Wells, D. Anderson, D. DeDobbelaere, J. Findley, R. Gradert, J. Kursock, J. May, T. May, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, and J. Thompson. **One** member was **absent**: J. Waller.

Motion Carried.  
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41. Member Rick Livesay moved to approve **Resolution 13-29** appropriating funds for the **County Engineer's annual salary** in the total amount of **\$108,992.00** from December 1, 2013 through November 30, 2014. Member Ann DeSmith seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried.  
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42. Member Rick Livesay moved to approve and place on file the Transportation Committee report. Member Jan May seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.  
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43. Member John Sovanski, Executive Committee Chairman, moved to approve the **FY14 Holiday Schedule**. Member Ann DeSmith seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried.  
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44. Member John Sovanski moved to approve and place on file the Executive Committee report. Member Dennis Anderson seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.  
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45. Member Jan May moved to approve **Proclamation 13-30 Designating December 2013 as National Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month**. Member Roger Gradert seconded the motion.

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

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

Member Jan May said the Health and Social Services Committee report read the meeting date as December 4, 2013 and should read December 3, 2013.

Member Kathy Nelson said none of her votes tonight were against Hillcrest Home.

Chairman Tim Wells informed the board that November 25, 2013 is the cut-off date for per diem and expenses being turned in. Chairman Wells wished everyone well for Thanksgiving. Chairman Wells also spoke regarding the November 8, 2013 Veterans Memorial in Milan. Happy Birthday to Steve Brandau on November 7, 2013 and Kathy Nelson on November 18, 2013.

47. Member Karen Urick moved to **adjourn** until the **December 12, 2013 County Board** meeting to be held in the **County Board Room** at the **Henry County Courthouse**, Room 102J, in the Village of Cambridge, IL. Member Jan May seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

48. Chairman Tim Wells declared the meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.