



## MINUTES of the HENRY COUNTY BOARD

MEETING DATE: DECEMBER 11 2014

1. Pursuant to a call signed by eleven 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 November, 2014, 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, December 11, 2014**, 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 \_\_\_\_\_ December 4, 2014 \_\_\_\_\_  
You are hereby notified that the County Board of Henry County will meet in **REGULAR SESSION** on Thursday, **December 11, 2014**, 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 **11th** day of **December, 2014** at 6:00 P.M.

2. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Roger Gradert.
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 Barb Link showed **eighteen** members **present**: Kippy Breeden, Ann DeSmith, Rick Livesay, Kathy Nelson, Jeff Orton, Bill Preston, Loren Rathjen, Karen Urick, Dennis Anderson, Jim Findley, Roger Gradert, Jim Kursock, Marshall Jones, Jan May, Kelli Parsons, Ted Stutevant, Lynn Sutton, and Jerry Thompson. **Two** members were **absent**: JoAnne Hillman and Jacob Waller.
5. Member Kathy Nelson moved to approve the revised agenda of the December 11, 2014 County Board meeting. Member Dennis Anderson seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

6. Chairman Roger Gradert asked for Public Comment: none.

7. Member Loren Rathjen moved to approve and place on file the November 13, 2014 County Board Recessed Annual Session meeting minutes. Member Jim Findley seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

8. **Mr. Rich VerHeecke** was presented with a **Service Plaque** for his years of service as **Henry County Treasurer**.

9. **Mr. Terry Patton** was presented with a **Service Plaque** for his years of service as **Henry County States's Attorney**. Mr Patton was not present.

10. Member Bill Preston moved to approve and place on file the monthly reports of the Bi-State Regional Commission, Veterans Assistance Commission, Henry County Soil and Water Conservation District, Henry County Health Department, and the County Clerk/Recorder Annual and monthly fee reports. Member Jerry Thompson seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

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11. The following outside agencies reported:

Mr. Bill Preston reported on the UCCI.

Ms. Ann DeSmith reported on the Henry County Soil and Water Conservation.

Mr. Rick Livesay reported on the Henry County Farm.

Mr. Roger Gradert wanted to thank the Henry County Economic Development Partnership.

12. Member Bill Preston moved to **confirm** the following **appointments/reappointments**:

**Reappointments of Mr. Steve Trego, Orion, and Mr. Lyle Wirth, Geneseo, to the Henry County Building Board of Appeals, for terms from December 1, 2014 to November 30, 2017.**

**Reappointment of Mr. James Ufkin, Geneseo, to the Henry County Zoning Board of Appeals for a term from December 1, 2014 to November 30, 2019.**

**Appointment of Mr. Dennis Sullivan, Geneseo, to the Henry County Zoning Board of Appeals, Geneseo, to complete the unexpired term of Mr. John "Bill" Nelson, for a term from December 1, 2014 to November 30, 2016.**

**Appointment of Mr. Donald DeDobbelaere, Orion, to the Henry County Zoning Board of Appeals, to complete the unexpired term of Mr. Marshall Jones, for a term from December 1, 2014 to November 30, 2017.**

**Appointment of Mr. Daniel Swanson, Cambridge, to the Henry County Planning Committee, complete the unexpired term of Mr. Dennis Sullivan, for a term from December 1, 2014 to November 30, 2015.**

Member Karen Urick seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

13. Member Jacob Waller arrived at 6:17 p.m.

14. Member Loren Rathjen moved to suspend General Rule 12 for Items 6.C.2. Member Ann DeSmith seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **eighteen** members voting "**Aye**": K. Breedon, A. DeSmith, R. Livesay, K. Nelson, J. Orton, B. Preston,

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L. Rathjen, K. Urick, D. Anderson, J. Findley, R. Gradert, J. Kursock, M. Jones, J. May, K. Parsons, T. Sturtevant, L. Sutton, and J. Thompson. **One** member **abstained**: J. Waller. **One** member was **absent**: J. Hillman.

Motion Carried.

15. Member Ann DeSmith moved to approve the **appointment of Mr. Marshall Jones to the Henry County Planning and Development Committee**, to complete the unexpired term of Mr. Dennis Anderson, to be approved immediately, for a term from **December 11, 2014 to November 30, 2016**. Member Kathy Nelson seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

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

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

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17. Member Kippy Breeden, Executive Committee Chairperson, moved to approve the **Enterprise Zone Intergovernmental Agreement**. Member Jan May seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **eighteen** members voting **“Aye”**: K. Breeden, Ann DeSmith, R. Livesay, K. Nelson, J. Orton, B. Preston, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, J. Waller, J. Findley, R. Gradert, J. Kursock, M. Jones, J. May, K. Parsons, T. Stutevant, L. Sutton, and J. Thompson. **One** member voting **“Naye”**: D. Anderson. **One** member was **absent**: JoAnne Hillman.

Motion Carried.

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18. Member Kippy Breeden moved to approve and place on file the Executive Committee report with the change of Mr. Dennis Anderson's vote on the Enterprise Zone. Member Marshall Jones seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

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19. Member Loren Rathjen, Finance Committee Chairman, moved to approve and place on file the Treasurer's November bank balance reports and interest earned reports and the County Clerk's November fund balance reports. Member Jacob Waller seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

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20. Member Loren Rathjen moved to approve the payment of the November **county accounts** in the amount of **\$4,559,622.54**. Member Jerry Thompson seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **nineteen** members voting **“Aye”**: K. Breeden, A. DeSmith, R. Livesay, K. Nelson, J. Orton, B. Preston, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, J. Waller, D. Anderson, J. Findley, R. Gradert, J. Kursock, M. Jones, J. May, K. Parsons, T. Stutevant, L. Sutton, and J. Thompson. **One** member was **absent**: JoAnne Hillman.

Motion Carried.

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21. Member Loren Rathjen moved to approve the **Deeds of Conveyance** for **Joseph E. Meyer and Associates** on the following parcel numbers: **06-10-207-010, 18-07-264-008, 20-28-405-011, 20-32-481-019, 20-33-109-016, 20-33-162-008, 23-14-419-001, 24-33-208-004, 20-33-404-033-0040**. Member Jerry Thompson seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **nineteen** members voting **“Aye”**: K. Breeden, A. DeSmith, R. Livesay, K. Nelson, J. Orton, B. Preston, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, J. Waller, D. Anderson, J. Findley, R. Gradert, J. Kursock,

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M. Jones, J. May, K. Parsons, T. Stutevant, L. Sutton, and J. Thompson. **One** member was **absent**: JoAnne Hillman.

Motion Carried.  
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22. Member Loren Rathjen moved to approve and accept the 3 year audit bid from **Carpentier, Mitchell, Goddard and Company** as followed: **\$55,075.14, \$55, 775.15, and \$56, 625.16 respectively**. Member Bill Preston seconded the motion. Discussion was held. Member Jacob Waller called for the vote.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **six** members voting **“Aye”**: A. DeSmith, B. Preston, L. Rathjen, D. Anderson, J. Findley, and J. Thompson. **Thirteen** members voting **“Naye”**: K. Breeden, R. Livesay, K. Nelson, J. Orton, K. Urick, J. Waller, R. Gradert, J. Kursock, M. Jones, J. May, K. Parsons, T. Sturtevant, and L. Sutton. **One** member was **absent**: J. Hillman.

**Motion Failed.**

23. Member Jacob Waller moved to accept the 3 year audit bid from **WIPFLI, LLP** as followed: **\$43, 975.00, \$44,750.00, and \$45,250.00 respectively**. Member Ted Sturtevant seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried.  
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24. Member Loren Rathjen moved to approve and place on file the Finance Committee report. Member Jacob Waller seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.  
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25. Member Lynn Sutton, Communications Committee Chairman, moved to approve and place on file the Communications Committee report. Member Kelli Parsons seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.  
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26. Member Dennis Anderson, Administration Committee Chairman, moved to approve the **replacement of a cast iron sewer line in the old Courthouse**, to be completed by **Wirth, Inc., Mechanical Contractors** in the amount of **\$10,000.00**. Member Jim Findley seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **nineteen** members voting **“Aye”**: K. Breeden, A. DeSmith, R. Livesay, K. Nelson, J. Orton, B. Preston, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, J. Waller, D. Anderson, J. Findley, R. Gradert, J. Kursock, M. Jones, J. May, K. Parsons, T. Stutevant, L. Sutton, and J. Thompson. **One** member was **absent**: JoAnne Hillman.

Motion Carried.  
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27. Member Dennis Anderson moved to approve and place on file the Administration Committee report. Member Kathy Nelson seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.  
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28. Member Rick Livesay, Transportation Committee moved to approve and place on file the Transportation Committee report. Member Jeff Orton seconded the motion. The next Transportation Committee will meet on Monday, January 12, 2015.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

29. Member Marshall Jones, Public Safety Committee Chairman, moved to approve and place on file the Public Safety Committee report. Member Loren Rathjen seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.  
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30. Member Ann DeSmith, Planning and Development Committee Chairperson, moved to approve **Zoning Application 14-14 SU** by Brad Bryner, for the purpose of considering an **Article 8 AG-1 Agriculture Section 8.3 Special Use Permit/rural small sign business/storage of equipment** on 25% or less of 2.5 acres W272.74 of E630.37 of N402.76 S of Rt 78 SW ¼ Section 3 T15N R3E, 4<sup>th</sup> P.M., **Kewanee Township**. Member Jerry Thompson seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **nineteen** members voting **“Aye”**: K. Breeden, A. DeSmith, R. Livesay, K. Nelson, J. Orton, B. Preston, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, J. Waller, D. Anderson, J. Findley, R. Gradert, J. Kursock, M. Jones, J. May, K. Parsons, T. Stutevant, L. Sutton, and J. Thompson. **One** member was **absent**: JoAnne Hillman.

Motion Carried.  
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31. Member Ann DeSmith moved to approve **Zoning Application 14-15 MA** by **Tim Schneider** for the purpose of considering an **Article 8 AG-1 Agriculture to Article 17 B-1 Business Zoning Map Amendment to allow construction of storage units** on 2 acres of the NW1/4 SE1/4 1yg S of RR & N of Rd, ex Halsted Sub Section 15 T17N R1E, 4<sup>th</sup> P.M., **Colona Township**. Member Rick Livesay seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **eighteen** members voting **“Aye”**: K. Breeden, A. DeSmith, R. Livesay, K. Nelson, J. Orton, B. Preston, L. Rathjen, J. Waller, D. Anderson, J. Findley, R. Gradert, J. Kursock, M. Jones, J. May, K. Parsons, T. Stutevant, L. Sutton, and J. Thompson. **One** member voting **“Naye”**: K. Urick. **One** member was **absent**: JoAnne Hillman.

Motion Carried.  
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32. Member Ann DeSmith moved to hold over until the January 15, 2015 the Building/Zoning Department 2014 Annual Report. Member Marshall Jones seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

33. Member Ann DeSmith moved to approve and place on file the Planning and Development Committee report. Member Jacob Waller seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.  
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34. Member Loren Rathjen moved to approve **Resolution 14-38 Declaring a Vacancy Exists for the Henry County State’s Attorney**. Member Ted Sturtevant seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **nineteen** members voting **“Aye”**: K. Breeden, A. DeSmith, R. Livesay, K. Nelson, J. Orton, B. Preston, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, J. Waller, D. Anderson, J. Findley, R. Gradert, J. Kursock, M. Jones, J. May, K. Parsons, T. Stutevant, L. Sutton, and J. Thompson. **One** member was **absent**: JoAnne Hillman.

Motion Carried.  
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35. Member Loren Rathjen moved to approve **Ordinance 14-39 Abating Taxes to be Levied for the 2014 Tax Year** to pay the **Series 2012 General Obligation Refunding Bonds**. Member Rick Livesay seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **eighteen** members voting **“Aye”**: K. Breeden, A. DeSmith, R. Livesay, K. Nelson, J. Orton, B. Preston, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, J. Waller, J. Findley, R. Gradert, J. Kursock, M. Jones, J. May,  
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K. Parsons, T. Stutevant, L. Sutton, and J. Thompson. **One** member voting “Naye”:  
D. Anderson. **One** member was **absent**: JoAnne Hillman.

Motion Carried.  
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36. Chairman Roger Gradert asked for County Board comment:

Member Karen Urick asked Barb Link, County Clerk, who her guest was. Her guest is Hannah, daughter of Megan Franck, Henry County Accounting Administrator.

Member Jim Kursock mentioned we give a plaque out to well deserving County Board recipients, we had a Board Member of 18 years and they never received a thank you.

Member Karen Urick spoke regarding the memorial fund to be used for plaques for County Board members.

Member Kathy Nelson reported per diem and mileage sheets in folder is currently set at \$.50, asked what this is. Miss Colleen Gillaspie, County Administrator explained.

Member Dennis Anderson spoke regarding Illinois football teams.

Chairman Roger Gradert wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

37 Member Jerry Thompson moved to **adjourn** until the **January 15, 2015. County Board** meeting to be held at the **Henry County Courthouse, Courtroom 102J**, 307 West Center St, Village of Cambridge, Illinois. Member Jacob Waller seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

38. Chairman Roger Gradert declared the meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.