



MINUTES of the HENRY COUNTY BOARD

MEETING DATE: APRIL 16 2015

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 12th day March, 2015, 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, April 16, 2015**, 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 _____ April 9, 2015 _____
You are hereby notified that the County Board of Henry County will meet in **REGULAR SESSION** on Thursday, **April 16, 2015, 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 **16th** day of **April, 2015** 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**: Ann DeSmith, Rick Livesay, Kathy Nelson, Jeff Orton, Bill Preston, Loren Rathjen, Karen Urick, Jacob Waller, 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**: Kippy Breeden and JoAnne Hillman.
5. Member Jan May moved to approve the agenda of the April 16, 2015 County Board meeting. Member Marshall Jones seconded the motion.
Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.
6. Chairman Roger Gradert and asked for Public Comment.

7. Member Kathy Nelson moved to approve and place on file the March 12, 2015 County Board meeting minutes. Member Jim Findley seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

8. **Ms. Kim Walker, Abilities Plus/Henry County Public Transportation, gave a presentation.**

9. Member Jim Kursock moved to approve and place on file the monthly reports of the Veterans Assistance Commission, Henry County Health Department, Henry & Stark County Health Annual Report, Bi-State Regional Commission February & March reports, Henry County Telephone System Board minutes, Fast Pitch Press Release, and the County Clerk/Recorder monthly fee report. Member Ann DeSmith seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

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10. The following outside agencies reported:

Mr. Bill Preston reported on the UCCI meeting.

Mr. Jerry Thompson reported on the 708 Board meeting.

Mr. Jeff Orton reported on Henry County Economic Development.

Ms. Jan May reported on laws being passed down to the Health Department.

Mr. Lynn Sutton spoke regarding a meeting he attended in Springfield.

11. Member Jan May moved to **confirm** the following **reappointments: Dr. David Modder and Dr. Chris Ryan, respectively, to the positions of Henry County Animal Control Administrator and Henry County Assistant Animal Control Administrator, for terms from December 1, 2013 to November 30, 2016.** Member Jerry Thompson seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

12. Member Jeff Orton moved to approve and place on file the **reappointment of Mr. Rich Nelson as the Henry County Noxious Weed Officer for a term from December 1, 2013 to November 30, 2016.** Member Ann DeSmith seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

13. Member Ann DeSmith moved to approve the **reappointment of Mr. Doug DeBuysere to the Geneseo Fire Protection District for a term from May 1, 2015 to April 30, 2018.** Member Marshall Jones seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

14. Member Jeff Orton moved to approve the **reappointment of Ms. Maryclair Gustafson to the Atkinson Fire Protection District for a term from May 1, 2015 to April 30, 2018.** Member Kathy Nelson seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

15. Member Loren Rathjen moved to approve the **reappointment of Ms. Jacqueline Catour to the Colona Community Fire Protection District for a term from May 1, 2015 to April 30, 2018.** Member Ann DeSmith seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

16. Member Jim Findley moved to approve the **reappointment of Mr. Tom Weston to the Kewanee Community Fire Protection District for a term from May 1, 2015 to April 30, 2018.** Member Jerry Thompson seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

17. Member Bill Preston moved to **hold over** until the May 14, 2015 County Board meeting the following **appointments/reappointments**:

Reappointment of Mr. Steve Carton to the Henry County Board of Review for a term from June 1, 2015 to May 31, 2017.

Reappointment of Mr. Bill Dale, Mr. Steve Durian, and Ms. Julie Atwell to the Hammond-Henry Hospital District Board for terms from June 1, 2015 to May 31, 2018.

Reappointment of Mr. Jan Berghult, Ms. Emily Snell, and Mr. Gary Bennett to the Henry County Board of Health for terms from June 1, 2015 to May 31, 2018.

Reappointment of Mr. Gary Sierens to the Annawan-Alba Fire Protection District for a term from May 1, 2015 to April 30, 2018.

Appointments of Mr. Kurtis Kruger, Mr. Jason Bitner, Ms. Kim Walker, and Mr. Vince McCabe to the Henry County Local Emergency Planning Committee for term from May 14, 2015 until replaced.

Appointment of Ms. Kippy Breeden to the Region 2 Transit Advisory Board, for a term from May 14, 2015 to November 30, 2016.

Member Jeff Orton seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

18. Member Dennis Anderson, Administration Committee Chairman, moved to approve and place on file the Administration Committee report. Member Jacob Waller seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

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19. Member Rick Livesay, Transportation Committee Chairman, moved to approve **TMF letting of materials** and award the **low bidder** in each group. Member Jim Findley seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **eighteen** members voting "Aye": 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. Sturtevant, L. Sutton, and J. Thompson. **Two** members were **absent**: K. Breeden and J. Hillman.

Motion Carried.

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20. Member Rick Livesay moved to approve and place on file the Transportation Committee report. Member Jeff Orton seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

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21. Member Marshall Jones, Public Safety Committee Chairman, moved to approve an **Agreement to Provide Law Enforcement Services to the Village of Cambridge**. Member Jim Kursock seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **eighteen** members voting "Aye": 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. Sturtevant, L. Sutton, and J. Thompson. **Two** members were **absent**: K. Breeden and J. Hillman.

Motion Carried.

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22. Member Marshall Jones, Public Safety Committee Chairman, moved to approve the **Ordinance 15-09 Regulating the Granting of Permits for Pyrotechnic Use**. Member Karen Urick seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **eighteen** members voting "Aye": 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. Sturtevant, L. Sutton, and J. Thompson. **Two** members were **absent**: K. Breeden and J. Hillman.

Motion Carried.
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23. Member Marshall Jones moved to approve and place on file the Public Safety Committee report. Member Lynn Sutton seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.
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24. Member Ann DeSmith, Planning and Development Committee Chairperson, moved to approve **Zoning Application 15-02 MA by Brian Nightingale/Jay Gibson** for the purpose of considering an **Article 8 AG-1 Agriculture to Article 12 R-1 Residential zoning map amendment for construction of a house dwelling** on 1 acre of proposed 2 acre parcel in NW corner of the E1/2 NE1/4, ex 4 acres Section 34 T16N R1E, 4th P.M., **Western Township**. Member Jacob Waller seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **eighteen** members voting "Aye": 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. Sturtevant, L. Sutton, and J. Thompson. **Two** members were **absent**: K. Breeden and J. Hillman.

Motion Carried.
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25. Member Ann Desmith reported the Planning and Development Committee met tonight. No minutes to place on file.

26. 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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27. Member Jan May, Executive Committee Member, moved to approve **Ordinance 15-10 Amending the Henry County Hotel Tax Ordinance**. Member Dennis Anderson seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **eighteen** members voting "Aye": 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. Sturtevant, L. Sutton, and J. Thompson. **Two** members were **absent**: K. Breeden and J. Hillman.

Motion Carried.
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28. Member Jan May 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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29. Member Loren Rathjen, Finance Committee Chairman, moved to approve and place on file the Treasurer's March bank balance reports and interest earned reports and the County Clerk's March fund balance reports. Member Jerry Thompson seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.
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30. Member Loren Rathjen moved to approve the payment of the March county accounts in the amount of **\$1,893,303.82**. Member Kelli Parsons seconded the motion.

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Motion Carried.
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31. Member Loren Rathjen 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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32. Member Lynn Sutton, Communications Committee Chairman, moved to approve and place on file the Communications Committee report. Member Jacob Waller seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.
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33. Member Kathy Nelson moved to approve **Resolution 15-08 Authorizing Application for Public Transportation Capital Assistance Grant**. Member Loren Rathjen seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **eighteen** members voting "Aye": 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. Sturtevant, L. Sutton, and J. Thompson. **Two** members were absent: K. Breeden and J. Hillman.

Motion Carried.
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34. Member Loren Rathjen moved to approve **Proclamation 15-11 Establishing May, 2015 as Motorcycle Awareness Month**. Member Jerry Thompson seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **eighteen** members voting "Aye": 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. Sturtevant, L. Sutton, and J. Thompson. **Two** members were absent: K. Breeden and J. Hillman.

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

Member Ann DeSmith reported that a public hearing will be held on Monday and Wednesday next week regarding the next phase of the Wind Turbines. A special meeting will be held on May 7, 2015 to renew Special Use permits for the project. Ann also wanted to thank everyone for their support during the loss of her father, Chuck Claeys.

Member Kathy Nelson reported on an insert that was in the newspaper on public servants, Sheriff Jim Padilla was included in the article.

Member Marshall Jones thanked everyone and expressed his gratitude for support in the loss of his wife, Diane Jones.

Member Roger Gradert reported the American Legion is now serving food.

36. Member Jacob Waller moved to adjourn until the May 7, 2015 **Special County Board** meeting to be held at the **Henry County Courthouse, Courtroom 102J**, 307 West Center St, Village of Cambridge, Illinois. Member Jerry Thompson seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

37. Chairman Roger Gradert declared the meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.