



MINUTES of the HENRY COUNTY BOARD

MEETING DATE: MAY 7 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 16th day April 16th, 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 **SPECIAL SESSION** on **Thursday, May 7, 2015, at 6:00 P.M.** The renewal of special use permits will be the sole action. 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 30, 2015 _____
You are hereby notified that the County Board of Henry County will meet in **SPECIAL SESSION** on Thursday, **May 7, 2015, at 6:00 p.m.** The renewal of special permits will be the sole action. 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 **SPECIAL SESSION** in the Village of Cambridge, the County and State aforesaid, on Thursday, the 7th day of **May, 2015** at 6:00 P.M.

2. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Roger Gradert.
3. 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, JoAnne Hillman, Rick Livesay, Kathy Nelson, Bill Preston, Loren Rathjen, Karen Urick, Jacob Waller, Dennis Anderson, Jim Findley, Roger Gradert, Jim Kursock, Marshall Jones, Jan May, Kelli Parsons, Ted Stutevant and Jerry Thompson. **Two** members were **absent**: Jeff Orton and Lynn Sutton.
5. Member Jan May moved to approve the agenda of the May 7, 2015 Special County Board meeting. Member Dennis Anderson seconded the motion.
Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.
6. Chairman Roger Gradert asked for Public Comment.

Mr. Shannon Bumann, Alwood School District Superintendent, spoke on the effects wind turbines can have on the Alwood School District.

Mr. Dan Swanson, Alpha, Illinois, encouraged the County Board to vote yes for this project.

Mr. Dwayne Anderson, Lynn Center, Illinois, asked the County Board to vote against this project.

7. **Ms. Allyson Sand, Invenergy Representative & Project Developer, gave a presentation.**

8. Member Ann DeSmith, Planning and Development Committee Chairperson, moved to approve **Zoning Application 15-05 MA** for the purpose of considering an Article 8 AG-1 Agriculture to Article 12 R-1 Residential zoning map amendment application by **Jim Stahl/Justin Snodgrass** for **construction of one non-farm single family dwelling** on 1 acre of a proposed 3 acre parcel in the NW corner of NW ¼ NE ¼ Section 20 T17N R3E, 4th P.M., **Geneseo Township**. Member Jacob Waller seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **eighteen** members voting "Aye": K. Breeden, A. DeSmith, J. Hillman, R. Livesay, K. Nelson, B. Preston, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, J. Waller, D. Anderson, J. Findley, R. Gradert, J. Kursock, M. Jones, J. May, K. Parsons, T. Sturtevant and J. Thompson. **Two** members were absent: J. Orton and L. Sutton.

Motion Carried.
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9. Member Ann DeSmith moved to approve **Zoning Application 15-06 SU/1-70** for the purpose of considering an Article 8 AG-1 Agriculture Section 8.3 Special Use permit application by **Bishop Hill Energy III LLC a wholly subsidiary of Invenergy Wind LLC**, One South Wacker Dr, Suite 1900, Chicago, IL 60606 for **construction/operation of up to 70 large energy systems (turbines)** in 3 townships including **Clover, Oxford and Andover**. (See Page 5 for various legal descriptions). Member Rick Livesay seconded the motion.

A Call of the Roll by Clerk Link showed **twelve** members voting "Aye": A. DeSmith, J. Hillman, R. Livesay, K. Nelson, L. Rathjen, J. Findley, R. Gradert, J. Kursock, J. May, K. Parsons, T. Sturtevant and J. Thompson. **Four** members were voting "Naye": B. Preston, K. Urick, J. Waller and M. Jones. **Two** members **abstained**: K. Breeden and D. Anderson.

Motion Carried.
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10. Member Ann DeSmith moved to approve and place on file the April 16, 2015 and May 6, 2015 Planning and Development Committee reports. Member Jim Findley seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.
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11. Chairman Roger Gradert asked for County Board comment:

Member Kathy Nelson asked if we could have an outside agency review the contract.

12. Member Jerry Thompson moved to adjourn until the May 14, 2015 Regular County Board meeting to be held at the **Henry County Courthouse, Courtroom 102J**, 307 West Center St, Village of Cambridge, Illinois. Member Loren Rathjen seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

13. Chairman Roger Gradert declared the meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.