



## MINUTES of the HENRY COUNTY BOARD

MEETING DATE: JUNE 16 2016

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 May, 2016, 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, June 16, 2016, 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 \_\_\_\_\_ June 9, 2016 \_\_\_\_\_  
You are hereby notified that the County Board of Henry County will meet in **REGULAR SESSION** on Thursday, **June 16, 2016, 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 **June, 2016** 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 **sixteen** members **present**: Kippy Breeden, Ann DeSmith, JoAnne Hillman, Rick Livesay, Kathy Nelson, Jeff Orton, Bill Preston, Loren Rathjen, Karen Urick, Jim Findley, Roger Gradert, Marshall Jones, Jan May, Kelli Parsons, Lynn Sutton and Jerry Thompson. **Three** members were **absent**: Jacob Waller, Dennis Anderson and Ted Sturtevant.
5. Member Kathy Nelson moved to approve the revised agenda of the June 16, 2016 County Board meeting. Member Loren Rathjen seconded the motion. Under discussion Member Loren Rathjen moved to amend agenda by removing Item 8.E.3. Revisions to Accounting Procedures. Chairman Gradert asked for a motion to remove Item 8.E.3. Member Jan May made motion. Member Jerry Thompson seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

6. Member Jim Findley moved to **confirm** the **appointment** of **Mr. John Sovanski**, as **County Board Member District 2**, to fill the **vacancy** of **Mr. Jim Kursock**. Member Jerry Thompson seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried.

7. **County Clerk, Barb Link swore in newly appointed County Board Member, John Sovanski.**

8. Chairman Roger Gradert asked for Public Comment:

9. Member Ann DeSmith moved to approve and place on file the May 12, 2016 County Board regular session meeting minutes. Member Rick Livesay seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

10. Ms. Ann DeSmith presented **Ms. Marti Sproston, Henry County Building/Zoning Department Secretary/Jury Commission Clerk**, a plaque after 35 years of service to Henry County.

11. **Mr. Jim Taylor, Carpentier, Mitchell, Goddard and Company, gave a presentation of the Henry County Financial Statements and Independent Auditor’s Report - November 30, 2015.**

12. Member Loren Rathjen moved to approve and place on file the **FY2015 Henry County Financial Statements and Independent Auditor’s Report- November 30, 2015**. Member Jerry Thompson seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried.

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13. **Ms. Jenny Garner, County Director for the University of Illinois, gave a presentation** and distributed an informational packet.

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14. Member Jan May moved to approve and place on file the monthly reports of the Veterans Assistance Commission, Henry County Health Department report, Illinois Counties Associate Volume 9 and the County Clerk/Recorder monthly fee report. Member JoAnn Hillman seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

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15. The following outside agencies reported:

Member Lynn Sutton reported on the Henry County Economic Development Partnership.

Member Bill Preston reported on UCCI.

Member Jan May reported on Tourism.

16. Member Kelli Parsons moved to **confirm** the following **appointments/reappointments**:

**Reappointment of Mr. James Mickley to the Hammond-Henry Hospital Board** for a term from **June 1, 2016 to May 31, 2019**.

**Appointments of Ms. Denise Ward and Ms. Janelle Pettit to the Hammond-Henry Hospital Board for terms from June 1, 2016 to May 31, 2019.**

**Reappointment of Mr. Steve King to the Galva Community Fire Protection District for a term from May 1, 2016 to April 30, 2019.**

**Reappointment of Mr. John Nilsson to the Geneseo Fire Protection District for a term from May 1, 2016 to April 30, 2019.**

**Reappointment of Mr. Paul Lindsey to the Henry County Housing Authority Board of Commissioners for a term from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2021.**

**Reappointments of Ms. Denise Haga and Dr. Thomas VanVooren, DMD to the Henry County Board of Health for terms from June 1, 2016 to May 31, 2019.**

Member Jerry Thompson seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

17. Member Marshall Jones moved to **suspend General Rule 12 of the Rules of the Henry County Board** for Items 6.C.2. and 6.C.3. Member Lynn Sutton seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried.

18. Member Jim Findley moved to approve the **appointments of Mr. John Sovanski**, to be approved immediately, to the **Public Safety Committee** and to the **Henry County Youth Services Bureau**, for terms from **June 16, 2016 to November 30, 2016**. Member Marshall Jones seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

19. Member Marshall Jones, Public Safety Committee Chairman, reported the Public Safety Committee did not meet last month.

20. Member Ann DeSmith, Planning and Development Committee Chairperson, moved to allow Chairman Roger Gradert to submit a letter **opposing the sale of the Atkinson Landfill Company**. Member John Sovanski seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

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21. Member Ann DeSmith reported that the Planning and Development Committee met tonight prior to the County Board Meeting. Member Ann DeSmith moved to approve and place Planning and Development Committee report. Member Rick Livesay seconded the motion. Discussion was held and there were no minutes to be placed on file.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

22. Member Jan May, Health and Social Services Committee Chairperson, moved to approve the **purchase of an air conditioner from Wirth Plumbing** in the amount of **\$13,888.00 for Hillcrest Home**. Member Karen Urick seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried.

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23. Member Jan May moved to approve and place on file the Health and Social Services Committee report and amend by changing #12 – to read May bills. Member Marshall Jones seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.  
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24. Member Kippy Breeden, Executive Committee Chairperson, moved to approve and place on file the Executive Committee report. Member Kelli Parsons seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.  
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26. Member Loren Rathjen moved to approve the payment of the May **county accounts** in the amount of **\$2,286,999.16**. Member Kelli Parsons seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried.  
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27. 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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28. Member Lynn Sutton, Communications Committee Chairman, moved to authorize sending letters of support to legislators for revising HB 6585 and SB 3435 and then passage of the same. Member Jan May seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

29. Member Lynn Sutton moved to **hold over** until the July 14, 2016 County Board meeting the **appointment and certification of the Election Judge lists**. Member Marshall Jones seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

30. Member Lynn Sutton moved to approve and place on file the Communications Committee report. Member Marshall Jones seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.  
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31. Member Jan May, Administration Committee member, moved to approve the **replacement of garage doors** in the amount of **\$3,140.00** by **Sullivan Door Company**. Member Kelli Parsons seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried.  
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32. Member Jan May moved to accept the **reinsurance proposal** from **Symetra** for services from **July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017** with a **\$45,000 deductible** at an **estimated cost of \$580,521.00**. Member Loren Rathjen seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried.  
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33. Member Jan May moved to approve revisions to the **Henry County Health Care Plan** changing the **annual dental benefit maximum from \$1,000.00 per plan member to \$1,250.00** beginning the plan year starting January 1, 2017. Member Marshall Jones seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried.  
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34. Member Jan May moved to approve and place on file the Administration Committee report. Member Jeff Orton seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.  
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35. Member Rick Livesay, Transportation Committee Chairman, moved to authorize the Chairman to **execute documents** for Cold in Place Recycling Projects on **County Hwy 36 and County Hwy 40**. The project is to be funded with **80% Federal funds and 20% County budgeted funds**. Member Jim Findley seconded the motion.

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Motion Carried.  
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36. 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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37. Member Jerry Thompson moved to approve **Ordinance 16-24 Ascertaining the Prevailing Rate of Wages for Laborer’s Workmen and Mechanics employed on Public Works**. Member Ann DeSmith seconded the motion.

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Motion Carried.  
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38. Chairman Roger Gradert asked for County Board comment.

Member Kathy Nelson mentioned a thank-you from Sandy Kursock and also mentioned Alexander Lumber in Geneseo has been in business for 125 years and is having an open house.

Member Jeff Orton thanked those who signed up for the booth at the Henry County Fair.

39. Member Jeff Orton moved to adjourn until the July 14, 2016 **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.

40. Chairman Roger Gradert declared the meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.