



MINUTES of the HENRY COUNTY BOARD

MEETING DATE: SEPTEMBER 15 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 11th day August, 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 **ANNUAL SESSION** on **Thursday, September 15, 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 _____ September 8, 2016 _____
You are hereby notified that the County Board of Henry County will meet in **ANNUAL SESSION** on Thursday, **September 15, 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 **ANNUAL SESSION** in the Village of Cambridge, the County and State aforesaid, on Thursday, the **15th** day of **September, 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 **eighteen** members **present**: Kippy Breeden, Ann DeSmith, JoAnne Hillman, Rick Livesay, Kathy Nelson, Jeff Orton, Loren Rathjen, Karen Urick, Jacob Waller, Jim Findley, Roger Gradert, Marshall Jones, Jan May, Kelli Parsons, John Sovanski, Ted Sturtevant, Lynn Sutton and Jerry Thompson. **One** member was **absent**: Bill Preston.
5. Member Loren Rathjen moved to approve the agenda of the September 15, 2016 Annual County Board meeting and remove item 8.D.2 under Standing Committees. Member Lynn Sutton seconded the motion.
Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.
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6. Member Kelli Parsons moved to approve **Resolution 16-30 Declaring a Vacancy Exists on the Henry County Board**. Member Marshall Jones seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried.
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7. Chairman Roger Gradert asked for Public Comment.

8. Member Kathy Nelson moved to approve and place on file the August 11, 2016 County Board regular session meeting minutes. Member Jan May seconded the motion.
Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

9. **Ms. Denise Bulat, Executive Director of the Bi-State Regional Commission distributed a brochure and gave a presentation of the Bi-State Regional Commission.**
(See Enclosure)

10. Member Marshall Jones moved to approve and place on file the monthly reports of the Veterans Assistance Commission, Henry County Health Department report and the County Clerk/Recorder monthly fee report. Member Jacob Waller seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.
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11. The following outside agencies reported:

Chairman Roger Gradert reported receiving a letter from Mr. Don Moffitt, State Representative, thanking us for the facility in Kewanee.

Member Lynn Sutton reported on HCEDP.

Member Jerry Thompson reported the 708 Board meeting to be held September 26, 2016.

Member Kathy Nelson reported on the upcoming UCCI meeting to be held September 26, 2016 in Springfield.

12. Member Marshall Jones moved to **hold over** until the October 13, 2016 Recessed Annual County Board meeting the following **appointments/reappointments**:

Appointment of Mr. Don Schmidt, Mr. Chad VanDeWoestyne, Mr. Jon Creemens, Mr. James Pearson, Mr. Loren Rathjen and Ms. Deb Kubinsky, to replace Mr. Jason Musselman, Mr. James Roesner, Mr. Kurtis Kruger, Mr. Vince McCabe, Mr. Joe Ricchio and Ms. Kim Walker, respectively, for a term from **October 13, 2016 until replaced**.

Reappointment of Mr. Lloyd Whitsell to the North Edwards River and West Mud Creek Drainage District for a term from September 6, 2016 to September 2, 2019.

Appointments of Mr. Rick Hepner, Mr. Todd Allen and Mr. Randy DeBaillie to the Orion Community Fire Protection District for terms from May 2, 2016 to May 6, 2019, October 13, 2016 to May 6, 2019 and October 13, 2016 to May 4, 2020 respectively.

Member John Sovanski seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

13. Member Jan May moved to suspend General Rule 12. of the Rules of the Henry County Board for Item 6.C.2. Member Jerry Thompson 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, J. Orton, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, J. Waller, J. Findley, R. Gradert, M. Jones, J. May, K. Parsons, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, L. Sutton and J. Thompson. **One** member was **absent**: B. Preston.

Motion Carried.

14. Member Jeff Orton moved to approve the **appointment of Mr. Ted Sturtevant as Chairman of the Administration Committee**, to be approved immediately, for a term from **September 15, 2016 to November 30, 2016**. 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, J. Orton, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, J. Waller, J. Findley, R. Gradert, M. Jones, J. May, K. Parsons, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, L. Sutton and J. Thompson. **One** member was **absent**: B. Preston.
Motion Carried.

15. Member Lynn Sutton, Communications Committee Chairman, moved to approve and place on file the Communications Committee report. Member JoAnne Hillman seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.
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16. Member Jan May, Administration Committee Member, moved to approve a building and operations maintenance bid from the lowest bidder, **Northwest Mechanical** for a **three-year agreement** in the amounts of **\$39,024, \$40,194 and \$41,400 respectively**. Member Kathy Nelson 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, J. Orton, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, J. Waller, J. Findley, R. Gradert, M. Jones, J. May, K. Parsons, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, L. Sutton and J. Thompson. **One** member was **absent**: B. Preston.
Motion Carried.
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17. Member Jan May moved to approve and place on file the Administration Committee report. Member Marshall Jones seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.
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18. Member Rick Livesay, Transportation Committee Chairman, moved to approve and place on file the Transportation Committee report. Member Ted Sturtevant seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.
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19. Member Marshall Jones, Public Safety Committee Chairman, 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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20. Member Ann DeSmith, Planning and Development Committee Chairperson, moved to approve and place on file the Planning and Development Committee report. Member Marshall Jones seconded the motion.

Motion Carried.
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21. Member Jan May, Health and Social Services Committee Chairperson, moved to approve the low bid from **Hirsch Company** for a **vehicle garage roof** in the amount of **\$6,700.00**. Member Jerry Thompson 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, J. Orton, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, J. Waller, J. Findley, R. Gradert, M. Jones, J. May, K. Parsons, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, L. Sutton and J. Thompson. **One** member was **absent**: B. Preston.
Motion Carried.
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22. Member Jan May moved to approve the bid from **Todd's Mudjacking and Basement Service** company in the amount of **\$10,926**. 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, J. Orton, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, J. Waller, J. Findley, R. Gradert, M. Jones, J. May, K. Parsons, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, L. Sutton and J. Thompson. **One** member was **absent**: B. Preston.

Motion Carried.
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23. Member Jan May 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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24. Member Kippy Breeden, Executive Committee Chairperson, moved to approve **Proclamation 16-31 Recognizing September 5, 2016 as Labor Day**. Member Jan May 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, J. Orton, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, J. Waller, J. Findley, R. Gradert, M. Jones, J. May, K. Parsons, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, L. Sutton and J. Thompson. **One** member was **absent**: B. Preston.

Motion Carried.
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25. Member Kippy Breeden withdrew the motion from last month for the funding for a three-year Economic Development/Tourism Program.

26. Member Kippy Breeden moved to approve and place on file the Executive Committee report. Member Ann DeSmith seconded the motion.

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

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.
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28. Member Loren Rathjen moved to approve the payment of the August **county accounts** in the amount of **\$2,415,448.26**. Member Jim Findley 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, J. Orton, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, J. Waller, J. Findley, R. Gradert, M. Jones, J. May, K. Parsons, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, L. Sutton and J. Thompson. **One** member was **absent**: B. Preston.

Motion Carried.
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28. 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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29. Chairman Roger Gradert asked for County Board comment.

30. Member Jan May moved to go into **closed session** at 7:23 p.m. to review closed session meeting minutes per 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21). Member Jeff Orton seconded the motion

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Motion Carried.

31. Member Jan May moved to go back into regular session at 7:25 p.m.
Member Ann DeSmith seconded the motion.
Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

32. Member Kathy Nelson moved to release the following closed session minutes: February 12, 2015 and February 11, 2016. Member Loren Rathjen 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, J. Orton, L. Rathjen, K. Urick, J. Waller, J. Findley, R. Gradert, M. Jones, J. May, K. Parsons, J. Sovanski, T. Sturtevant, L. Sutton and J. Thompson. **One** member was **absent**: B. Preston.
Motion Carried.
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33. Member John Sovanski moved to recess until the October 13, 2016 County Board **Recessed Annual Session** to be held at the **Henry County Courthouse, Courtroom 102J**, 307 West Center St, Village of Cambridge, Illinois. Member Marshall Jones seconded the motion.
Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

34. Chairman Roger Gradert declared the meeting recessed at 7:30 p.m.