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COUNTY OF GRUNDY)

Proceedings, transactions and RESOLUTIONS had made and ordered of record of said Board in the County of Grundy and State of Illinois, on the Sixth day of December in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Ten and the Independence of the United States, the Two Hundred and Thirty-fourth.

Morris, Illinois
December 6, 2010

The Reorganizational Meeting of the Grundy County Board was called to order at 5:30 P.M. by County Clerk Lana Phillips followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The following County Board Members answered the roll call:

DISTRICT	NAME	POST OFFICE
2	John Almer	Morris
2	Chris Balkema	Channahon
3	David A. Boggs	Braceville
1	Mildred Dyer	Morris
2	John Galloway	Morris
3	Ann Gill	Coal City
3	Francis E. Halpin, Jr.	Gardner
1	Kenneth Iverson	Morris
3	Richard P. Joyce	Coal City
2	Jeremy Ly	Minooka
3	Robert T. Poole	Gardner
2	Eric Rasmusson	Morris
1	John B. Roth III	Morris
2	Ronald Severson	Morris
1	Richard Steele	Morris
3	Michael Throneburg	Coal City
1	Ralph S. Wagner	Morris
1	David Allen Welter	Morris

All County Board Members were present.

NOMINATION & ELECTION: COUNTY BOARD CHAIRMAN.

Nominations for the office of Chairman of the County Board for the ensuing two year period were called for by the Clerk. County Board Member Almer nominated Ron Severson. Said nomination was SECONDED by County Board Member Roth.

There being no further nominations, it was MOVED by County Board Member Steele and SECONDED by County Board Member Dyer that said nomination be closed. MOTION CARRIED.

County Board Member Severson was elected Chairman of the Grundy County Board by the following vote: Ayes, County Board Members Almer, Balkema, Boggs, Dyer, Galloway, Gill, Halpin, Iverson, Joyce, Ly, Poole, Rasmusson, Roth, Severson, Steele, Throneburg, Wagner and Welter. Total Ayes, 18. Nays, none. Absent, none. MOTION CARRIED.

Chairman Severson noted that the view is different up front. He apologized for being late for the Board Meeting but noted that his lane was all drifted in. He said he appreciates the support of the Board and he has enjoyed his last 8 years. He said there is a lot of enthusiasm and intelligence on the Board and looks forward to working together. He says he does not see D's or R's on anyone's forehead. With the current economic climate they will have to look toward cutting expenses or raising revenues, and he pledged that he will not vote for an unbalanced budget. He said the Chairman has a lot of responsibility, but very little power, he will only have one vote. He asked for support and prayers for the Board. He has been asked if he is going to cut peoples' taxes and he has told them a blunt no. He said if County services aren't provided you are only affecting 10% of the tax bill. He said the County will do the best they can with what they have got. He has confidence and respect in the new Board. He quoted President Franklin Roosevelt who said in 1932 "the only thing we have to fear is fear itself." He said that there is not another man who cares more about Grundy County than his predecessor, Frank Halpin. He is encouraging the public to become involved by coming to Board and committee meetings. They currently have one EDPA set up and his goal is to get at least one business to come in and he would like to see another EDPA set up by the end of 2011. Two years ago Progressive Farmer rated Grundy County as the sixth best place to live in America out of 4,300 counties and his goal is to overtake the five in front of us.

NOMINATION & ELECTION: COUNTY BOARD VICE-CHAIRMAN.

Nominations for the office of Vice-Chairman of the County Board for the ensuing two year period were called for by the Chairman. County Board Member Galloway nominated John Almer. Said nomination was **SECONDED** by County Board Member Wagner.

There being no further nominations, it was **MOVED** by County Board Member Steele and **SECONDED** by County Board Member Welter that said nomination be closed. **MOTION CARRIED.**

County Board Member Almer was elected County Board Vice-Chairman by the following vote: Ayes, Almer, Balkema, Boggs, Dyer, Galloway, Gill, Halpin, Iverson, Joyce, Ly, Poole, Rasmussen, Roth, Roth, Steele, Throneburg, Wagner, Welter, and Severson. Total Ayes, 18. Nays, none. Absent, none. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Chairman Severson invited County Board Members Halpin, Joyce and Almer to join him at a short recess beginning at 5:43 P.M. and ending at 5:48 P.M. to discuss Committee Assignments for Board Members. A list of Committee Assignments was handed out to Board Members after the short recess.

MOTION: APPROVE COUNTY BOARD COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS.

It was **MOVED** by County Board Member Boggs and **SECONDED** by County Board Member Ly that the Board approve the list of County Board Committee Assignments. **MOTION CARRIED.** Said list is as follows:

**GRUNDY COUNTY BOARD 2010-2012 COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS
EFFECTIVE DEC. 6, 2010**

	Chair 1	V. Chair 2	Member 3	Member 4	Member 5	Member 6		
ADVISORY	RASMUSSON	JOYCE	ROTH	GILL	ALMER			
MEDIA RELATIONS	GILL	STEELE	BALKEMA	LY	ROTH			
PROCUREMENT	WAGNER	THRONEBURG	STEELE	GALLOWAY	RASMUSSON			
CRIMINAL JUSTICE	BOGGS	DYER	BALKEMA	GILL	IVERSON			
EDUCATION	THRONEBURG	WAGNER	DYER	HALPIN	LY			
CBA/ELECTIONS	LY	WELTER	DYER	THRONEBURG	WAGNER			
EMA	IVERSON	GALLOWAY	WAGNER	STEELE	JOYCE			
ENVIRONMENTAL	JOYCE	BALKEMA	WELTER	STEELE	POOLE			
FACILITIES	ROTH	RASMUSSON	THRONEBURG	IVERSON	BOGGS			
FINANCE	GALLOWAY	POOLE	ALMER	WAGNER	HALPIN	BOGGS	ROTH	
HEALTH	STEELE	HALPIN	WELTER	DYER	POOLE			
HIGHWAY	HALPIN	BOGGS	ALMER	GALLOWAY	RASMUSSON			
INSURANCE	POOLE	LY	RASMUSSON	WELTER	STEELE			
PERSONNEL	DYER	GILL	BOGGS	ROTH	JOYCE			
P&Z	ALMER	ROTH	BALKEMA	WELTER	JOYCE	POOLE	THRONEBURG	
TAX	BALKEMA	IVERSON	GALLOWAY	WAGNER	HALPIN			
TECHNOLOGY	WELTER	ALMER	BALKEMA	DYER	IVERSON	LY	GILL	

MOTION: ESTABLISH DAY & TIME - COUNTY BOARD MEETINGS.

It was MOVED by County Board Member Halpin and SECONDED by County Board Member Almer that the Board establish the second Tuesday of each month at 5:30 P.M. for County Board Meetings. On roll call, said MOTION PREVAILED by the following vote: Ayes, County Board Members Almer, Dyer, Gill, Halpin, Iverson, Joyce, Ly, Poole, Steele and Throneburg. Nays, County Board Members Balkema, Boggs, Galloway, Rasmussen, Roth, Wagner, Welter and Severson. Total Ayes, 10. Nays, 8. Absent, none. MOTION CARRIED.

County Administrator Duffy thanked the Republican Women for the cookies and punch to be served after the Board Meeting. Pictures of the new Board Members will be taken for the website and orientation will be held in the next week or so.

Chairman Severson said that he cannot put things on the Board Agenda and neither can individual Board Members. He said there is a committee system in place and that is how it gets on the agenda. He noted three things he would like to see as far as adding to committees already in place: 1. CBA/Election Committee (Cost Benefit Analysis an arm of the Finance Committee); 2. Media Relations (changed from Community Relations); and 3. Procurement (changed from County Home). He said he wasn't drafted and to be careful what you ask for.

MOTION: ADJOURNMENT.

It was MOVED by County Board Member Almer and SECONDED by County Board Member Roth that the Board vote the usual mileage and per diem and adjourn at 6:00 P.M. to Tuesday, December 14, 2010 at 5:30 P.M. for the next regularly scheduled County Board Meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

LANA J. PHILLIPS
CLERK

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