

**PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
MACON COUNTY BOARD**

**ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING  
DECEMBER 03, 2012**

**Jay A. Dunn  
Chairman**

**Stephen M. Bean  
Clerk**

The meeting was called to order by the Clerk of the Board, Stephen M. Bean at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Bean: Mr. Bean stated that the request for a special meeting is for the purpose of reorganization for election of chairman and vice-chairman, and to conduct a lottery for terms.

Mrs. Taylor led the members in Prayer.

All led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The credentials of the 21 elected members of the board were presented and will be placed on file.

The Honorable Judge A. G. Webber administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected board members.

### **ROLL CALL.**

The Roll Call of the board as a whole showed all members present: Ashby, Baxter, Bird, Cox, Dawson, Drobisch, Dudley, Dunn, Greenfield, Hogan, Jacobs, Little, Mattingley, Meachum, Minich, Oliver, Potts, Smith, Taylor, Williams, and Zimmerman.

### **MOTION**

Mr. Dudley moved, seconded by Mr. Oliver to nominate Bryan Smith as temporary chairman for this meeting.

Mr. Drobisch moved, seconded by Mrs. Little to nominate Keith Ashby as temporary chairman for this meeting.

There were no other nominations from the floor.

### **MOTION**

Mrs. Little moved, seconded by Mr. Drobisch to close nominations by prior roll call vote.

### **MOTION CARRIED.**

### **ROLL CALL.**

**Votes for Ashby as temporary chairman:** Ashby, Bird, Cox, Drobisch, Greenfield, Hogan, Jacobs, Little, Mattingley, Zimmerman

**Votes for Smith as temporary chairman:** Baxter, Dawson, Dudley, Dunn, Meachum, Minich, Oliver, Potts, Smith, Taylor, Williams

**VOTES FOR ASHBY = 10**  
**VOTES FOR SMITH = 11**

**BRYAN SMITH ELECTED TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN**

**NOMINATION OF CHAIRMAN OF THE MACON COUNTY BOARD**

**MOTION**

Mr. Dudley moved, seconded by Mr. Meachum to nominate Jay Dunn as permanent Chairman of the Macon County Board.

**COMMENT:**

Mr. Greenfield: Mr. Greenfield said he wanted to nominate a gentleman that has served on the county board for over 20 years. He was the top vote getter in District #7. He has served on all of the major committees. He is well liked and well respected by both parties. He has the time, knowledge and leadership skills to be a great chairman and move the county forward. Chairman Dunn has done a good job. It should be all county board chairmen's goal to do a better job than the person before them. Phil Hogan will be that man. Phil will work hard to achieve these goals. He asked that all county board members join him in supporting Phil Hogan for Macon County Board Chairman.

**MOTION**

Mr. Greenfield moved, seconded by Mr. Drobisch to nominate Phil Hogan as permanent Chairman of the Macon County Board.

There were no other nominations from the floor.

**MOTION**

Mr. Minich moved, seconded by Mr. Oliver to close the nominations by prior roll call vote.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**QUESTION:**

Mrs. Little: Mrs. Little asked if any position chair or otherwise, has been offered or promised in exchange for a vote for chair by either of the candidates that are up for chairman of this board.

Mr. Hogan: Mr. Hogan said no he has not.

Mr. Dunn: Mr. Dunn said no he has not.

**ROLL CALL.**

**Votes for Dunn as permanent chairman of the board:** Baxter, Dawson, Dudley, Dunn, Mattingley, Meachum, Minich, Oliver, Potts, Smith, Taylor, Williams

**Votes for Hogan as permanent chairman of the board:** Ashby, Bird, Cox, Drobisch, Greenfield, Hogan, Jacobs, Little, Zimmerman

**VOTES FOR DUNN = 12**

**VOTES FOR HOGAN = 09**

**JAY DUNN ELECTED PERMANENT CHAIRMAN**

**NOMINATION OF VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE MACON COUNTY BOARD**

**MOTION**

Mr. Dunn moved, seconded by Mr. Dudley to nominate Keith Ashby as Vice Chairman of the Macon County Board.

There were no other nominations from the floor.

**MOTION**

Mr. Dudley moved, seconded by Mr. Drobisch to close the nominations.

**MOTION CARRIED. (TO CLOSE NOMINATIONS FOR VICE CHAIR)**

**ROLL CALL.**

Ayes: Ashby, Baxter, Bird, Cox, Dawson, Drobisch, Dudley, Dunn, Greenfield, Hogan, Jacobs, Little, Mattingley, Meachum, Minich, Oliver, Potts, Smith, Taylor, Williams, Zimmerman

Nays: (None)

**AYES = 21**

**NAYS = 0**

**MOTION CARRIED. (TO ELECT KEITH ASHBY AS VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE MACON COUNTY BOARD)**

**DRAWING FOR TERM OF OFFICE FOR EACH BOARD MEMBER**

Mr. Bean: Mr. Bean said he wanted to explain what we have done the last 2 times that he knows of. He thought about trying to make it a fairer lottery by first having the top vote getters chose a ball marked #1 through #7. That way it makes it more of a lottery rather than starting with the 1<sup>st</sup> district and ending with the 7<sup>th</sup> district. There will be 4 balls for 4 year terms. If your district picks a ball with a 4 year term, then 2 people will get a 4 year term and 1 person will get a 2 year term from that district. If you pick a ball with a 2 year term on it then that means 2 people from that district will get a 2 year term, and the 3<sup>rd</sup> person will get a 4 year term. He said there was talk the last time about just putting in 22 balls and having 21 people pick from that, but with this it will give each district at least a chance for someone to remain for the full term and you won't have all three people rotating off at the same time. We have had that happen with some resignations or deaths in the past, but by and large this is the fairest way.

## **MOTION**

Mr. Minich moved, seconded by Mr. Potts to adopt this lottery procedure as explained by Mr. Bean by prior roll call.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

## **MOTION CARRIED. (LITTLE AND OLIVER SHOWED THEIR VOTE AS NO)**

Mr. Bean: Mr. Bean said the top vote getter from each district will draw first from the balls numbered 1 through 7.

**District #1** - Baxter drew ball #2

**District #2** - Taylor drew ball #6

**District #3** - Dudley drew ball #4

**District #4** - Dawson drew ball #7

**District #5** - Ashby drew ball #5

**District #6** - Williams drew ball #3

**District #7** - Hogan drew ball #1

Mr. Bean: Mr. Bean said Mr. Hogan will draw first for either 2- 2year terms and 1- 4year term or 2- 4 year terms and 1- 2 year term. Mr. Bean said there are 4 balls with a #4 on them and 4 balls with a #2 on them.

Mr. Hogan: Mr. Hogan said he would like to have Susanna draw for their district.

**District #7** – Zimmerman drew a 2 year ball so **2 people will get 2 year terms and 1 person will get a 4 year term**

**District #1** – Baxter drew a 2 year ball so **2 people will get 2 year terms and 1 person will get a 4 year term**

**District # 6 – Williams drew a 2 year ball so 2 people will get 2 year terms and 1 person will get a 4 year term**

**District #3 – Dudley drew a 4 year ball so 2 people will get 4 year terms and 1 person will get a 2 year term**

**District #5 – Ashby drew a 4 year ball so 2 people will get 4 year terms and 1 person will get a 2 year term**

**District #2 – Taylor drew a 4 year ball so 2 people will get 4 year terms and 1 person will get a 2 year term**

**District #4 – Dawson drew a 2 year ball so 2 people will get 2 year terms and 1 person will get a 4 year term**

Drawing for terms for each member in each district with highest vote getter drawing first went as follows:

**District #1 – Baxter - 2 year term  
Little - 4 year term  
Meachum - 2 year term**

**District #2 – Taylor - 2 year term  
Oliver - 4 year term  
Minich - 4 year term**

**District #3 – Dudley - 4 year term  
Potts - 2 year term  
Smith - 4 year term**

**District #4 – Dawson - 4 year term  
Dunn - 2 year term  
Mattingley - 2 year term**

**District #5 – Ashby - 4 year term  
Cox - 4 year term  
Jacobs - 2 year term**

**District #6 – Williams - 2 year term  
Drobisch - 4 year term  
Bird - 2 year term**

**District #7 – Hogan - 2 year term  
Greenfield - 4 year term  
Zimmerman - 2 year term**

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**OFFICEHOLDERS' REMARKS:**

Mr. Williams: Mr. Williams said he was going to make this when we cast our votes so his information is a little dated, but it is probably more appropriate now. The vote that he cast strikes some as odd, that a Republican would support a Democrat chairman. He assured his constituents from District #6 that he is not leaving his party of choice, the Republican Party. He will continue to support local Republican politics from grunt work to financial contribution. He believes that the citizens of Macon County want politics to stop at the voting booth, and for all to work together in the public's best interest. He feels his primary responsibility in public office is serving the people, not the party leaders. For those reasons he cast his vote for Chairman Jay Dunn.

Mr. Greenfield: Mr. Greenfield said in business as in politics you are only as strong as your weakest link. Tonight the Republican Party found its weakest link. It is true we are very disappointed in what has just happened. We looked forward to our opportunity to lead the county. Mr. Chairman we wish you well. No one can be responsible for other people's actions. Two years ago Bob Flider sold out the people of Macon County, and tonight it was Dave Williams and Greg Mattingley. Good luck Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Oliver: Mr. Oliver said he has had the fortune or misfortune to have served under 5 different chairmen. He has seen this particular entity go from a \$3,200,000 deficit to what we have today, and he is very proud of what's happened. So those 5 chairman being Owen, Wolfe, Snyder, Sampson and Dunn have done an outstanding job, especially the last 4, in bringing this county to the condition it is in now. He thinks that only goes to show that good choices have been made by members of this board. He hopes they continue to do so, and that this county will be one of those that will make its mark in the State of Illinois. He said congratulations and God speed.

Mr. Dudley: Mr. Dudley said he would like to thank this board for all they do. This has been a board where we have all always prided ourselves on being bipartisan. He has been on the board for 5 years and he doesn't think he remembers a partisan vote. We have always tried to do what is in the best interest of the people of this county. It really doesn't matter who is chairman because he thinks we will continue to do that. With all due respect to his fellow county board members, he feels that Macon County hasn't been sold out. We have always done a great job for this county and we'll continue to do so. It really doesn't matter who is chairman because the chairman has one vote just like the rest of us. He hopes we can continue doing the great things we have been doing. We have accomplished a lot and will accomplish more down the road. He thanked everyone for their service because it is time consuming at times, but they have all done a great job and he is proud of all of them. He thanked them and congratulated the chairman.

**CITIZENS' REMARKS:**

Mr. Williams: Mr. Williams said that Mr. Gresham, who sent an obscene gesture and verbalized some words to him, needs to grow up. He also believes that Mr. Greenfield needs to grow up.

Mr. Dunn: Mr. Dunn said he would like to thank everyone for their support. He thinks we have accomplished a lot over 4 years. He hopes we continue moving Macon County forward in the right direction. He thinks they all commit the time necessary to do the business for the citizens of this county. He really appreciates the elected officials and he appreciated them coming tonight to see this process. He appreciates the public coming because it is a process. It is time to put the politics away and do the work for our citizens and he knows they are all willing and able to do it. He thanked them.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Mr. Dudley moved, seconded by Mr. Oliver to adjourn until Thursday, December 13, 2012 at 7:15 p.m.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.