

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING  
OF THE COUNTY BOARD  
December 2, 2024**

AT A REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS OF CHRISTIAN COUNTY ILLINOIS, BEGUN AND HELD AT THE COURTHOUSE IN TAYLORVILLE, ILLINOIS, ON DECEMBER 2, 2024.

*ATTEST: JODIE L. BADMAN, COUNTY CLERK*

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The following proceeding, had and entered at large upon the records of said Board, which is done accordingly in the following words and figures to wit;

**SWEARING IN**

Circuit Judge Dennis Atteberry opened the evening to swear in the newly-elected and re-elected members of the county board.

Judge Atteberry began by administering the Oath of Office to the following newly elected and re-elected board members in the room, by district as follows:

District #1 Venise McWard and Clint E. Gabriel  
District #2 Ken Franklin and Mark Wolfe  
District #3 David Buckles and Mike Specha  
District #4 Jean Vandenberg and Miranda Langen

County Clerk Jodie Badman thanked Judge Atteberry and convened the board pursuant to statute. Clerk Badman called the board to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by an invocation given by Board Member Clint Epley.

A roll call disclosed all present with the exception of Vicki McMahon, David Puccetti and Clayton Walter who were absent. The attendance signified a quorum.

**NOMINATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS OF TEMPORARY, PERMANENT  
CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN**

Clerk Badman called for a motion for nominations for Temporary Chairman. *Venise McWard made a motion to nominate Clint Epley as Temporary Chairman, Ken Franklin second. A call for additional nominations was made two times and there were none. A roll call vote polled all ayes. Motion carried.*

Clerk Badman asked Clint Epley as Temporary Chairman to come forward. Temporary Chairman Epley then called for nominations for Permanent Chairman for the next two years. *A motion was made by Ray Koonce to nominate Bryan Sharp as Permanent Chairman for the next two years, David Buckles second. Temporary Chairman Epley then called for any other nominations, there were no new nominations. A roll call vote polled all ayes. Motion carried.*

Temporary Chairman Epley called for Permanent Chairman Bryan Sharp to come forward and passed the gavel to the new Board Chairman.

Chairman Sharp thanked the Board members.

Next, Chairman Sharp called for a motion for nominations for Vice-Chairman for the next two years. *A motion was made by Bryan Sharp and seconded by Tim Carlson to nominate Clint Epley as Vice-Chairman for the next two years. Chairman Sharp then called for any other nominations. There were no other nominations. A roll call vote polled all ayes. Motion carried.*

### **COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**

#### County Highway/Buildings/Grounds/Environmental/Welfare/Zoning Committee

Ken Franklin – Chair

David Buckles

Ray Koonce

Mark Wolfe

Clint Gabriel

#### Executive/Personnel/Legislative/Liquor Committee

Clint Epley – Chair

Jean Vandenberg

David Puccetti

Clayton Walter

Miranda Langen

#### Audit/Finance/Purchasing/Budget Committee

Venise McWard – Chair

Mike Specha

Linda Curtin

Tim Carlson

Vicki McMahan

Chairman Sharp asked for a motion to approve the committee appointments as presented. *A motion was made by Venise McWard and seconded by Jean Vandenberg to approve the committee appointments as presented. A roll call vote polled all ayes. Motion carried.*

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Chairman Sharp called for public comments and there were none.

### **ADJOURN**

With no other business before the Board, Chairman Sharp called for a motion to adjourn. *A motion to adjourn the meeting until December 17, 2024 was made by Tim Carlson and seconded by David Buckles. A roll call vote being called upon all members present, polled the following: (13) aye; (0) nay. The motion carried.*