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## **MINUTES**

### **SANGAMON COUNTY BOARD SPECIAL MEETING**

**MAY 31, 2011**

The Sangamon County Board met in special session on May 31, 2011 in the County Board Chambers. Chairman VanMeter called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Mr. Moore gave the Invocation and Mr. Krell led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **ROLL CALL**

Chairman VanMeter asked the County Clerk to call the roll. There were 21 Present – 7 Absent. Mr. Bunch, Ms. Dillman, Mrs. Douglas Williams, Mr. Goleman, Mr. Good, Mr. O’Neill, and Mr. Stephens were all excused.

## **MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mr. Montalbano, seconded by Mr. Schweska, for approval of the minutes of May 10, 2011. A voice vote was unanimous.

**MOTION CARRIED**  
**MINUTES ADOPTED**

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

A motion was made by Mr. Montalbano, seconded by Mr. Schweska, to place any correspondence on file with the County Clerk. A voice vote was unanimous. There was no correspondence to file.

## **APPOINTMENT OF CORONER**

Chairman VanMeter stated that a motion was duly made and seconded at the May 10, 2011 meeting and the order of business was certified by the sufficient number of board members at tonight’s special meeting to nominate Cinda Edwards as the Coroner of Sangamon County.

Chairman asked for a roll call vote on the motion to nominate Cinda Edwards to fulfill the remaining term as Coroner of Sangamon County. Upon the roll call vote, there were 18 Yeas – 0 Nays – 2 Present. Mr. Boyster and Mr. Schweska voted Present. Mr. Boyster commended Mrs. Edwards and said he would work with her to be the best Coroner she can be and to help the people of Sangamon County restore faith and trust to this office, but tonight he is voting present. Mr. Schweska explained that he is standing by the 19<sup>th</sup> District and is also voting present since they did not have a voice tonight. Chairman VanMeter stated that with the majority of the members voting in the affirmative, Cinda Edwards is now officially the Coroner of Sangamon County.

Cinda Edwards addressed the Board. She thanked them and the community for their confidence in support of her nomination. She also thanked the County community for their show of support and encouragement. She stated that this has been a humbling experience for her. Her immediate goal will be to look at the strengths and weaknesses of the Coroner's office, which will take time. She has visited other Coroner's offices to see how they are doing things. She will bring ideas from the other offices to her office and will measure them against what they are doing in her office. She believes in education and will always be looking for a better way to do things and bring more efficiency to the office. One way they will do this is through continuing education and in-service training for the employees. She plans to meet with agencies that collaborate and work in conjunction with the Coroner's office. It is her goal to make sure her office works seamlessly, professionally and in the spirit of team work with these agencies. She made a promise to work diligently with the staff to earn the public's trust and confidence in their Coroner's office.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

#### **RECESS**

A motion was made by Mr. Montalbano, seconded by Mr. Schweska, to recess the meeting to June 14, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. A voice vote was unanimous.

**MOTION CARRIED**  
**MEETING RECESSED**