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**MINUTES  
OF THE UNION COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING  
JANUARY 4, 2016**

The Board of Supervisors met in the Office of said Board in the Chancery Building in the City of New Albany, Mississippi, Union County, January 4, 2016 at 10:00 a.m., it being the time and place for holding said meeting, when and where the following members and officers were present, to-wit:

Evan Denton, Supervisor, District 1

Chad Coffey, Supervisor, District 2

David Kitchens, Supervisor, District 3

Randy Owen, Supervisor, District 4

Steve Watson, Supervisor 5

Thad Mueller, Board Attorney

Terry Johnson, County Administrator

Annette Hickey, Chancery Clerk

Jimmy Edwards, Sheriff

After the Sheriff opened the meeting according to law, the following proceedings were had, to wit:

**NOMINATION OF PRESIDENT FOR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

A motion was made by Supervisor David Kitchens and seconded by Supervisor Evan Denton to nominate Randy Owen to serve as President of the Board of Supervisors.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**NOMINATION OF VICE-PRESIDENT FOR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

A motion was made by Supervisor Steve Watson and seconded by Supervisor Chad Coffey to nominate David Kitchens to serve as Vice-President of the Board of Supervisors.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR**

A motion was made by Supervisor David Kitchens and seconded by Supervisor Evan Denton to appoint Terry Johnson to serve as County Administrator.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPOINTMENT OF BOARD ATTORNEY**

A motion was made by Supervisor Chad Coffey and seconded by Supervisor Steve Watson to appoint Thad Mueller to serve as Board Attorney.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY ROAD MANAGER**

A motion was made by Supervisor Steve Watson and seconded by Supervisor Chad Coffey to appoint James Byers to serve as County Road Manager.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY ENGINEER**

A motion was made by Supervisor Chad Coffey and seconded by Supervisor Evan Denton to appoint Larry Britt with Elliott & Britt Engineering to serve as County Engineer.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPOINTMENT OF COMPTROLLER**

A motion was made by Supervisor David Kitchens and seconded by Supervisor Evan Denton to appoint Kay Wicker to serve as Comptroller.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPOINTMENT OF PURCHASE CLERK**

A motion was made by Supervisor Evan Denton and seconded by Supervisor Chad Coffey to appoint Shellie Kent to serve as Purchase Clerk.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT PURCHASE CLERK**

A motion was made by Supervisor David Kitchens and seconded by Supervisor Evan Denton to appoint Kay Wicker to serve as Assistant Purchase Clerk.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPOINTMENT OF INVENTORY CLERK**

A motion was made by Supervisor Chad Coffey and seconded by Supervisor Steve Watson to appoint Terry Johnson to serve as Inventory Clerk.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPOINTMENT OF RECEIVING CLERK**

A motion was made by Supervisor Chad Coffey and seconded by Supervisor Evan Denton to appoint Donna Treadaway to serve as Receiving Clerk.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT RECEIVING CLERK**

A motion was made by Supervisor David Kitchens and seconded by Supervisor Evan Denton to appoint Assistant Receiving Clerks (see attached list).

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPOINTMENT OF JUSTICE COURT CLERK**

A motion was made by Supervisor Steve Watson and seconded by Supervisor Chad Coffey to appoint Larissa Edwards to serve as Justice Court Clerk.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPOINTMENT OF UNION COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR**

A motion was made by Supervisor Evan Denton and seconded by Supervisor David Kitchens to appoint Curt Clayton to serve as Union County Emergency Management Director.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPOINTMENT OF E-911 DIRECTOR**

A motion was made by Supervisor David Kitchens and seconded by Supervisor Evan Denton to appoint Mildred Churchill to serve as E-911 Director.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPOINTMENT OF VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER**

A motion was made by Supervisor Steve Watson and seconded by Supervisor David Kitchens to appoint Mike Bennett to serve as the Veterans Service Officer.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPOINTMENT OF VOLUNTEER FIRE COORDINATOR**

A motion was made by Supervisor David Kitchens and seconded by Supervisor Chad Coffey to appoint Steve Coker to serve as the Volunteer Fire Coordinator.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPOINTMENT TO THREE RIVERS PLANNING DEVELOPMENT BOARD**

A motion was made by Supervisor Chad Coffey and seconded by Supervisor Evan Denton to appoint Randy Owen and Steve Watson to serve on the Three Rivers Planning Development Board to replace recently-retired supervisors Danny Jordan and Benny Rakestraw.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPOINTMENT TO PUL ALLIANCE BOARD**

A motion was made by Supervisor Steve Watson and seconded by Supervisor Chad Coffey to appoint Evan Denton and David Kitchens to serve on the PUL Alliance Board to replace recently-retired supervisors Danny Jordan and Randy Owen.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPOINTMENT OF ROAD DEPARTMENT FOREMAN**

A motion was made by Supervisor Chad Coffey and seconded by Supervisor David Kitchens to appoint Jeff Akins to serve as Road Department Foreman.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPROVAL OF SURETY BONDS FOR ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

**FOR 2016-2020 TERM**

A motion was made by Supervisor David Kitchens and seconded by Supervisor Chad Coffey to approve the Surety Bonds for Elected and Appointed Officials for 2016-2020 Term.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPROVAL OF SURETY BONDS FOR SUPERVISORS**

Pursuant to Miss. Code, Section 25-1-19, Chancery Clerk, Annette Hickey, approved the Surety Bonds for the Board of Supervisors.

This the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPROVAL OF CLAIMS DOCKET FOR DECEMBER 2015 CLAIMS**

A motion was made by Supervisor Chad Coffey and seconded by Supervisor Evan Denton for the approval of the Claims Docket for December 2015 Claims.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPROVAL OF ROAD DEPARTMENT WORK SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY 2016**

A motion was made by Supervisor Chad Coffey and seconded by Supervisor Evan Denton to approve the Road Department Work Schedule for January 2016.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 2015**

A motion was made by Supervisor David Kitchens and seconded by Supervisor Steve Watson to approve the Board Meeting Minutes for December 2015.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPROVAL OF MEDICAL EXAMINER FEES**

A motion was made by Supervisor David Kitchens and seconded by Supervisor Chad Coffey to approve 12 Medical Examiner Fees, as submitted by Pam Boman, Union County Coroner.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPROVAL OF INVENTORY DELETIONS FROM SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**

A motion was made by Supervisor Steve Watson and seconded by Supervisor Chad Coffey to approve an inventory deletion of a Motorola radio from the Sheriff's Department.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPROVAL OF MANUAL CHECK FOR TRANSFER TITLE ON**

**FIRE DEPARTMENT TRUCK**

A motion was made by Supervisor Chad Coffey and seconded by Supervisor David Kitchens to approve a manual check in the amount of \$10.00 for a transfer title on a Volunteer Fire Department truck.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPROVAL OF DEADLINE FOR AGENDA ITEMS**

A motion was made by Supervisor David Kitchens and seconded by Supervisor Steve Watson to approve having a deadline for items for the Agenda to be on each Friday at 12:00 p.m.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPROVAL OF TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT FOR CIRCUIT CLERK**

A motion was made by Supervisor Chad Coffey and seconded by Supervisor David Kitchens to approve the travel reimbursement for the Circuit Clerk during 2016.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPOINTMENT TO UNION COUNTY DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION (UCDA)**

**BOARD**

A motion was made by Supervisor Steve Watson and seconded by Supervisor David Kitchens to appoint Chad Coffey to serve on the UCDA Board to replace recently-retired supervisor Danny Jordan.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPOINTMENT TO NEW ALBANY MAIN STREET ASSOCIATION BOARD**

A motion was made by Supervisor Chad Coffey and seconded by Supervisor Evan Denton to appoint Steve Watson to serve on the UCDA Board to replace recently-retired supervisor Benny Rakestraw.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPROVAL OF NEW EMPLOYMENT FOR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**

A motion was made by Supervisor Chad Coffey and seconded by Supervisor David Kitchens to approve the new employment of Brian Carpenter as Arson Investigator.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**APPROVAL OF ADVERTISING TO RECEIVE BIDS FOR UC 73(1)**

**MARTINTOWN BRIDGE PROJECT**

A motion was made by Supervisor Chad Coffey and seconded by Supervisor Evan Denton to approve advertising to receive bids for UC 73(1), Martintown Bridge Project.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**BIDS RECEIVED FOR COUNTY DEPOSITORY**

Publication was made on December 16, 2015, in the New Albany Gazette to receive bids from all financial institutions to become the County Depository. Bids were received from BNA Bank and Renasant Bank.

A motion was made by Supervisor David Kitchens and seconded by Supervisor Steve Watson to take the bids under advisement.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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**MOTION TO RECESS BOARD MEETING**

A motion was made by Supervisor Steve Watson and seconded by Supervisor Evan Denton to Recess the Board meeting until January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016, at 10:00 a.m.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Evan Denton voted yes

Supervisor Chad Coffey voted yes

Supervisor David Kitchens voted yes

Supervisor Randy Owen voted yes

Supervisor Steve Watson voted yes

After the vote, President Randy Owen declared the motion carried, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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Randy Owen, President  
Board of Supervisors

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Annette M. Hickey  
Clerk for the Board of Supervisors