CLEVELAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

December 4, 2006

The Cleveland County Board of Commissioners reconvened their recessed regular session of November 21, 2006 on this date, at the hour of 9:30 a.m., in the Commission Chamber of the Cleveland County Administrative Offices.

PRESENT: Ronald J. Hawkins, Commissioner
Jerry L. Self, Commissioner
Mary S. Accor, Commissioner
Johnny Hutchins, Commissioner
Willie B. McIntosh, Commissioner
Jo Boggs, Commissioner-Elect
Eddie Holbrook, Commissioner-Elect
David C. Dear, County Manager
Robert Yelton, County Attorney
Wanda Crotts, County Clerk
Kerri Melton, Deputy Clerk
Eddie Bailes, Assistant County Manager
Pete DeLea, The Star

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Ronald Hawkins called the meeting to order and led the audience in the “Pledge of Allegiance” to the flag of the United States of America. Reverend Rit Varriale, Minister of Elizabeth Baptist Church, provided the invocation for the meeting.

RECOGNITION OF JERRY SELF AND WILLIE MCINTOSH

Commissioners thanked outgoing Commissioners Jerry Self and Willie McIntosh for their dedicated service to Cleveland County.

ADJOURN SINE DIE

COUNTY COMMISSIONER: OATH OF OFFICE

The Honorable Larry Wilson, Chief District Court Judge, administered the oath to Jo Boggs and Eddie Holbrook for the office of Cleveland County Commissioner.

COUNTY CORONER: OATH OF OFFICE

The Honorable Larry Wilson, Chief District Court Judge, administered the oath to Dwight Tessneer for the office of Cleveland County Coroner.

CALL TO ORDER

David Dear, County Manager, reconvened the meeting.

NOMINATIONS AND SELECTION OF COMMISSION CHAIR

Mr. Dear opened the floor to accept nominations for Commission Chair.

NOMINATIONS: Eddie Holbrook nominated Mary Accor for Chair (Jo Boggs seconded the motion). Hearing no further nominations, Johnny Hutchins requested the nominations be closed and
Mr. Dear declared the nominations closed. *Mary Accor was elected Chairwoman by a unanimous vote.*

**NOMINATIONS AND SELECTION OF COMMISSION VICE-CHAIR**

Chairwoman Accor opened the floor to accept nominations for Commission Vice-Chair.

**NOMINATIONS:** Ronnie Hawkins nominated Johnny Hutchins for Vice-Chair and Mary Accor nominated Eddie Holbrook for Vice-Chair. Hearing no further nominations, Chairwoman Accor declared the floor closed to nominations. Question was called on the nomination of Johnny Hutchins – ayes were Commissioners Hawkins and Hutchins. Commissioners Accor, Holbrook and Boggs voted no. Question was called on the nomination of Eddie Holbrook – ayes were Commissioners Accor, Holbrook and Boggs. Commissioners Hutchins and Hawkins voted no. *Eddie Holbrook was elected Vice-Chair by a majority vote.*

**COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS**

Commissioner Boggs noted this is the “first time two females have been seated on the Board of Commissioners at the same time” and that she is the first person who has served the entire county in two elected positions, having served as a member of the Cleveland County School Board. Vice-Chairman Holbrook stated he felt it important “for us to build a strong Commission team and in turn build a strong Cleveland County.” Chairwoman Accor thanked Commissioner Hawkins for his leadership as Chairman. Commissioners Hawkins and Hutchins both stated they were anxious to move forward with the new year.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time *(10:10 a.m.)*, Johnny Hutchins made the motion, seconded by Jo Boggs, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to adjourn the meeting.

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Mary S. Accor, Chairwoman
Cleveland County Board of Commissioners

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Wanda Crotts, CMC, Clerk
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