# <u>Cleveland County Board of Commissioners</u> <u>December 2, 2024</u>

The Cleveland County Board of Commissioners met for an Organizational meeting on this date at 10:00 a.m.

in the Commission Chambers of the Cleveland County Administrative Offices.

**PRESENT:**Kevin Gordon, Chair<br/>Deb Hardin, Vice-Chairman<br/>Johnny Hutchins, Commissioner<br/>Doug Bridges, Commissioner<br/>Tony Berry, Commissioner<br/>David Cotton, County Manager<br/>Tim Moore, County Attorney<br/>Phyllis Nowlen, Clerk to the Board<br/>Kerri Melton, Assistant County Manager<br/>Jason Falls, Business Development Director<br/>Betsy Harnage, Register of Deeds<br/>Sherry Lavender, Tax Assessor<br/>Philip Steffan, Finance Director

# CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Gordon called the meeting to order. Citizen Allan Langley provided the invocation, and Business

Development Director Jason Falls led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **OATH OF OFFICE: COMMISSIONERS**

Speaker of the House Tim Moore administered the oath to Kevin Gordon for the office of Cleveland County

Commissioner.

Speaker of the House Tim Moore administered the oath to Johnny Hutchins for the office of Cleveland

County Commissioner.

Speaker of the House Tim Moore administered the oath to Tony Berry for the office of Cleveland County

Commissioner.

## SELECTION OF COMMISSION CHAIR

County Manager David Cotton opened the floor to accept nominations for Commission Chair.

NOMINATIONS: Commissioner Hutchins made a motion to nominate Kevin Gordon for Chair

(Commissioner Bridges seconded the motion). Kevin Gordon was elected Chairman.

# **SELECTION OF COMMISSION VICE-CHAIR**

Chairman Gordon opened the floor to accept nominations for Commission Vice-Chair.

NOMINATIONS: Commissioner Hutchins made a motion to nominate Deb Hardin for Vice-Chair

(Commissioner Bridges seconded the motion). Deb Hardin was elected Vice-Chairman.

#### **OATH OF OFFICE: SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION**

Clerk to the Board Phyllis Nowlen administered the oath to Madison Bridges for the office of Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisor.

Clerk to the Board Phyllis Nowlen administered the oath to D. Randy McDaniel for the office of Soil and

Water Conservation District Supervisor.

# SWEARING IN OF REGISTER OF DEEDS BETSY HARNAGE

Magistrate Ashlyn Harris administered the oath of office to Betsy Harnage for the Register of Deeds.

## SWEARING IN FOR THE REGISTER OF DEEDS STAFF

Register of Deeds Betsy Harnage administered the oath of office to the following Register of Deeds staff:

Robin Gassman Susan Ledford Regina Crocker Kathy Greene Angelica Zamora Sandra Long Gail Ross Jackie Henry Diane Whetstine

### ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, Commissioner Hardin made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Hutchins and unanimously adopted by the Board, *to adjourn the meeting*. The next regular meeting of the Commission is scheduled for *Monday*, *December 2, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. in the* 

Commissioners Chambers.

Kevin Gordon, Chair Cleveland County Board of Commissioners

*Phyllis Nowlen, Clerk to the Board Cleveland County Board of Commissioners*