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APPEARANCES:

Franklin County Prosecutor's Office  
By Mr. Tim Lecklider,  
Assistant Prosecuting Attorney  
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On behalf of the Board.

ALSO PRESENT:

Ms. Suzanne Brown,  
Executive Assistant to the Board.

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1 Monday Afternoon Session,  
2 January 5, 2015.

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4 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Good afternoon,  
5 everyone, and welcome to this our first meeting of  
6 the year of our Lord and Savior 2015.

7 MEMBER MARINELLO: Amen.

8 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: I will do a roll call.  
9 Kimberly Marinello.

10 MEMBER MARINELLO: Here.

11 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Gregory Haas.

12 MEMBER HAAS: Here.

13 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Douglas Preisse.

14 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Here.

15 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: And Bradley Sinnott.

16 MEMBER SINNOTT: Here.

17 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Mr. Chairman, we are  
18 all here.

19 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Good.

20 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: And the first item on  
21 the agenda each year, or probably the last several  
22 years, the County Commissioners have given across  
23 the -- across the board a 2 percent pay raise, and  
24 they included it in their supplemental budget, but we

1 have to -- if we want our employees to have it, we  
2 have to vote on it to agree to that 2 percent  
3 supplemental. So they actually added that to our --  
4 to our budget as they did all the other agencies.

5 So we would like for it to happen. Dana  
6 and I have talked about it. You know, we would like  
7 for it to be more, but 2 percent is better than 0  
8 percent so.

9 The first motion has to do with us  
10 accepting the County supplemental 2 percent.

11 MEMBER HAAS: I move that the Board  
12 accept the supplement appropriation from the County  
13 Commissioners for a 2 percent pay increase for  
14 employees in the Board of Elections and that this pay  
15 increase be made retroactive to December 29, 2014.

16 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Is there a second?

17 MEMBER MARINELLO: Second.

18 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: All in favor.

19 Motion carries. Thank you, guys.

20 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: Absolutely. Just  
21 so you know the retroactive back to December 29 was  
22 in the motion passed by the Commissioners as that was  
23 the beginning of a pay period for -- on our pay cycle  
24 so.

1                   DIRECTOR ANTHONY: And the next item on  
2 the agenda so give us money in one hand and take it  
3 away in the other hand. The health insurance, again,  
4 this is a -- we go to the same health insurance rates  
5 that -- that the County pretty much goes across the  
6 board. We could do a variation of it, but it's less  
7 complicated if we follow along with what the County  
8 gives their current employees. And this does add a  
9 slight increase, out-of-pocket increase, but health  
10 insurance that happens --

11                   MEMBER MARINELLO: Well worth it.

12                   DIRECTOR ANTHONY: -- all the time, but  
13 it's well worth it. You guys are also beneficiaries  
14 of that health insurance. So we have to adopt a new  
15 health insurance premium.

16                   DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: It's an increase  
17 of \$5 per month for an individual plan and \$9 per  
18 month for the family plan.

19                   MEMBER MARINELLO: That's great. I move  
20 that the Board adopt the new standard monthly  
21 employee health benefit contribution rate of \$110 for  
22 employee coverage only and \$225 for family coverage  
23 as prescribed by the Franklin County Commissioners  
24 for the time period April 1, 2015, through March 31,

1 2016.

2 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Is there a second?

3 MEMBER SINNOTT: There is.

4 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: All those in favor.

5 That motion carries as well.

6 The next item is we have a Pitney Bowes  
7 contract that we've been kind of sitting on for I bet  
8 about six months or maybe longer than six months  
9 where we -- Pitney Bowes has it's called full-service  
10 Intelligent Mail system where the post office  
11 requires that we be -- we are IBM compliant in order  
12 for us to do our mailing, and so our Pitney Bowes  
13 machine has to be prepared so we could be IBM  
14 compliant.

15 We've gone through several discussions  
16 with Pitney Bowes. We thought the rate was pretty  
17 high initially. And they came in and met with Dana  
18 and I and our team, and we got the rate down to what  
19 we think is at least a reasonable rate. It seems to  
20 be a lot better than where they were prior and that's  
21 out -- and that's \$1,246.25 monthly.

22 So we think this is a pretty good deal,  
23 and we need that to get -- we will make huge savings  
24 on our mailing by going with the IBM -- I mean

1 Intelligent Mail Bar -- IBM --

2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: This allows us to  
3 sort --

4 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: IMB.

5 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: -- sort the mail  
6 down to its lowest carrier route which allows us to  
7 drop the cost of each mailing down to the lowest rate  
8 we can get. The U.S. Postal Service has been sort of  
9 experimenting with IMB for a while, and they delayed  
10 it and delayed it and delayed it; but, now, they have  
11 made it mandatory to get those lowest presort rates.

12 And with the volume of mail that we do,  
13 we feel this amount now makes it worthwhile for a  
14 cost savings for the mail that we do here at the  
15 Board of Elections to drive that cost down. To get  
16 the discount, we need to do the full-service IMB.

17 MEMBER SINNOTT: This is a new contract  
18 with Pitney Bowes.

19 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: Correct.

20 MEMBER SINNOTT: And it's in response to  
21 a new USPS policy that requires us to do some  
22 different barcoding?

23 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: That's correct  
24 and this Pitney Bowes does have state terms and

1 pricing is under their state terms.

2 MEMBER SINNOTT: Then I move that the  
 3 Board authorize the Director and Deputy Director to  
 4 execute a three-year contract with Pitney Bowes in  
 5 the amount of \$1,246.25 per month to provide the  
 6 Board with full-service Intelligent Mail Barcode  
 7 capability on the Reliavote system.

8 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Is there a second?

9 MEMBER HAAS: Second.

10 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: All those in favor.

11 That's all that we have for our regular  
 12 monthly meeting.

13 A motion to adjourn?

14 MEMBER MARINELLO: So moved.

15 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Is there a second?

16 MEMBER HAAS: Second.

17 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: All those in favor.

18 We stand adjourned. Thank you.

19 (Thereupon, the meeting was adjourned at  
 20 3:24 p.m.)

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CERTIFICATE

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the proceedings taken by me in this matter on Monday, January 5, 2015, and carefully compared with my original stenographic notes.

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Karen Sue Gibson, Registered  
Merit Reporter.

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