

# **MAYOR LOTTERY DRAWING MINUTES**

**Wednesday, December 28, 2016**

**10:00 A.M.**

**FAIRBURY CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
201 W Locust Street  
Fairbury IL 61739  
815-692-2743**

In attendance were mayoral candidates David Slagel and Kaci Zimmerman; City Attorney Paul Mason, City Clerk Nancy Widlacki, Street Superintendent Martin Steidinger and his wife, Trish Steidinger, Alderman candidate Brad Duncan, Democratic Precinct Chairman John Reis, Republican Precinct Chairman Kelly Kinate, Blade reporter Luke Smucker and members of the public David Netter and Terry McCormick.

Attorney Mason invited candidates Slagel and Zimmerman to approach the table to inspect the alphabetical list of candidates for the lottery attached as document #2, numbers, 1 & 2, which were written on Jenga tiles and the container, which was a clean coffee can and lid. The two candidates did come forward and inspect the items. After inspection, Attorney Mason read a prepared statement, attached as document #1.

Attorney Mason instructed Trish Steidinger to approach the table and extend the tiles toward the candidates and public for clear viewing of the numbers. He instructed her to then extend the empty container toward the public for clear viewing. He asked that she place the 2 tiles into the container and seal with the lid and then shake and mix the tiles. At the completion of the mixing, he asked Martin Steidinger to approach the table and while looking away, draw one tile from the container. The tile he drew was #1. Martin presented the tile to Attorney Mason, Clerk Widlacki and the candidates and public. While looking away again, Martin drew the remaining tile, #2, from the container which he then presented to Mason, Widlacki, and the candidates and public. The container was then extended to the candidates and public for clear viewing that it was empty. Attorney Mason then announced that ballot position #1 belonged to David Slagel and ballot position #2 to Kaci Zimmerman. The two remaining mayoral candidates will be placed on the ballot in the order the clerk received their petitions.

The lottery drawing concluded at 10:12 a.m.

Nancy Widlacki, City Clerk

## Procedure for Lottery for Simultaneous Filing

We are having this lottery today because two candidates for mayor were present at the City Hall doors when they were opened on the first day for filing nominating petitions. They were David Slagel and Kaci Zimmerman. Because they were both present when the doors were opened, the law states that they filed their petitions at the same time. The purpose of the lottery is to determine which of them will be placed first and second on the ballot. The other candidates will be placed on the ballot in the order that their petitions were filed with the City Clerk.

The procedure we are following today is set by state law. First, the City Clerk has prepared a list in alphabetical order of the names of the candidates included in the lottery. They are David Slagel and Kaci Zimmerman. The names were numbered consecutively. Then numbers were prepared to be placed in an opaque container. To insure that the numbers are identical we are using two tiles from a Jenga game which have been numbered 1 and 2. For the container we are using a cleaned coffee can. All of these items were made available before the lottery began for inspection by Ms. Zimmerman and Mr. Slagel and their representatives and any members of the media who were present.

Trish Steidinger will show the audience that the container is empty and then place the numbered tiles in the container and shake it. She will then take the lid off and hold it for Martin Steidinger who, without looking into the container, will pull out the first numbered tile that he touches. The name on the alphabetical list which has that number will be placed first on the ballot. Martin will then pull out the next numbered tile and the name on the alphabetical list which has that number will be placed second on the ballot. He will then show us that the container is again empty after the tiles have been taken out. That will then conclude the lottery.

As this is a public event important to the candidates and the public, photographing and recording will be allowed as long as they do not disrupt the proceeding or the ability of the audience to see. Your presence gives your consent to being recorded as part of these proceedings.

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LOTTERY - SIMULTANEOUS FILINGS

# **MAYOR**

**2017 Consolidated Election**

**(1) DAVID G SLAGEL**

**(2) KACI ZIMMERMAN**

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