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News Release

Board Elects Aikmus Chairman and Simpson Vice Chairman

December 2, 2013, Monroe, NC – The Union County Board of Commissioners on Monday elected Frank Aikmus chairman of the Board of Commissioners, and Jerry Simpson was elected vice chairman.

The chairman and vice chairman are elected annually for a term of one year. Aikmus and Simpson cannot be removed from the office of chairman and vice chairman unless they become disqualified to serve as a Board member.

The chairman presides at all Board meetings. To address the Board, a member must be recognized by the chairman. The chairman has the following powers:

- To rule on parliamentary procedure, including the right to rule out of order on any motion offered for patently obstructive or dilatory purposes
- To determine whether a speaker has gone beyond reasonable standards of courtesy in his or her remarks and to entertain and rule on objections from other members on this ground
- To call a brief recess at any time
- To adjourn in an emergency

The vice chairman acts in the absence or disability of the chairman. If the chairman and vice chairman are both absent from a meeting of the Board, the members present may choose a temporary chairman.

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