

PROPOSED BY LAW CHANGES

ARTICLE VII. MEETINGS

Section 2. Annual Meeting. An Annual Meeting shall be held in March,
the exact date to be determined by the Board of Directors.

Suggested change: An Annual Meeting shall be held in April,....

Section 4. Quorum. Twenty-two members shall constitute a quorum at all
meetings of the League of Women Voters of Decatur, Illinois.

Suggested change: Twenty percent (20%) of the total membership....

If the proposed change in Article VII, Meetings, is adopted, the following changes
will be necessary in:

ARTICLE V. OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS.

Section 1. Officers. They shall take office the first day of April.

Section 2. Elected Directors. They shall take office the first day of April.

Section 3. Appointed Directors. The term of office of the Appointed Directors
shall be one year and shall expire the first day of April.

Suggested change:the first day of May.

PROPOSED LOCAL PROGRAM FOR 1975-76

County and Township Governments

Support for elimination of townships in Macon County with their functions transferred to general purpose governments, such as the county or municipalities.

Support for Home Rule status for the county with establishment of an elected county executive. (If necessary we would support appointment of an administrator by the County Board until an executive can be elected.)

Support for elimination as elective offices those at the county level which do not set policy, such as Auditor, Recorder of Deeds, and Coroner.

Decatur's Environmental Quality

Support for adequate storm and sanitary sewers.

Study of proposed storm sewer drainage program for Decatur.

Council-Manager Form of City Government

Support for Council-Manager form of city government.

Decatur Public Schools

Support of the middle school grade organization (5-3-4, 4-4-2) and concept as best meeting our educational goals.

Support of increased funds to provide quality education and adequate space.

Emphasis on local community responsibility to require the school system to develop each child's potential.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

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| President: | Barbara Brown | 1975-77 |
| Secretary: | Beth Oldweiler | 1975-77 |
| Elected Directors: | Sally Lantz | 1975-77 |
| | Margaret Campbell | 1975-77 |
| | Milli Protzman | 1975-77 |

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| Nominating Committee for 1976: | Lucille Crow, Chairwoman |
| | Florence Cox |
| | Pat McVay |

Marg Coberly
Chairwoman, Nominating Committee

Holdovers on the Board will be:

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| | <u>Terms 1974-76</u> |
| 2nd Vice President (Public Relations): | Karla Weinman |
| 3rd Vice President (Membership): | Lee Staley |
| Treasurer: | Maggie Lauterjung |
| Directors: | Lola Smith |
| | Emmy Lou Moore |
| | Ellen Cantoni |

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
Decatur, Illinois

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual meeting of the Decatur League of Women Voters was held in the home of Lee Staley, 1714 Bobolink, March 12, 1974, beginning at 8:00 p.m. President, Mrs. Dee Meyerson reported a quorum in attendance and presided over the proceedings. Mrs. Margaret Coberly was appointed recorder and Mrs. Elise Hurst was appointed Parliamentarian for the meeting..

MINUTES: In accordance with the directions of last year's Annual Meeting, the minutes of last year's meeting were approved by a committee made up of Lucille Crow, Janet Beck, and Florence Cox. Minutes were read to the members at the meeting. A committee consisting of Barbara Ohlsen, Billi Protzman and Margaret Coberly was appointed to approve the minutes of this meeting.

BUDGET: Mrs. Barbara Ohlsen, budget committee chairman, moved adoption of the budget as it appeared in the March Decatur Voter. It was seconded with discussion following on each item. A majority vote was cast to adopt the budget as it was presented.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

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| Cash on hand March 1973 | \$ 398.41 |
| Mutual Home & Savings Acct. | 331.84 |
| Cash on hand March 1974 | 537.95 |
| Mutual Home Acct. | 349.28 |
| Income 1973-74 | 2,034.54 |
| Expenditures 1973-74 | 1,992.47 |

The new State pledge formula was discussed.

BYLAWS: The proposed bylaws changes were read and discussed as they appeared in the March Decatur Voter.

It was moved and seconded to accept the change of Article V, Sec. 1d.
Passed by 2/3 vote.

It was moved and seconded to accept changes of Article VI, Section 2.
Passed by 2/3 vote.

PROGRAM: Program Chairman, Billi Protzman presented the local program as recommended by the Board. Each item was discussed and voted on separately.

County and Township Government - It was decided to drop the word study and direct the Board to add the consensus support positions reached at the March 26 units.

Decatur's Environmental Quality - Item approved as proposed.

Council-Manager Government - Item approved as proposed.

Decatur Public Schools - Item approved as proposed.

Human Resources and Civil Rights - Item approved as proposed.

No new items were recommended and none were proposed from the floor.

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION: Mrs. Lucille Crow, chairman of the nominating committee, read the proposed slate of officers as presented by the nominating committee. Mrs. Janet Beck was nominated from the floor for secretary by Mrs. Crow. Mrs. Meyerson asked for other nominations from the floor. There being none, she entertained a motion that the nominating ballot become the elective ballot. The motion was made, seconded, and carried. New board members were then introduced to the membership.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Laura Verbanac discussed ERA. A forum will be held on March 19 at the YWCA, at 7:00 p.m. She urged all to attend.

Lucille Crow discussed the Single Member District and elimination of Cumulative Voting petitions. These are to be turned in to Mrs. Meyerson before May 1.

Finance Drive: Margaret Coberly announced that we have received \$455 from 32 contributors thus far in the finance drive. She asked anyone who was willing to make a finance call to see her for there were about a dozen calls that still needed to be made.

Other announcements were made and the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Margaret Coberly
Recorder

APPROVED BY: Willi Protzman
Barbara Ohlsen

Quorum - 22 members
27 attended meeting