

## BELVIDERE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING JANUARY 11, 2011

### MINUTES

**Call to Order/Roll Call** ~ Supervisor Pat Murphy called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. The pledges to the Flag were said and roll call taken with the following Board Members present Trustees Carlson, Robertson, Zeien, Turner and Supervisor Murphy. Also present Clerk Schabacker, Assessor Helnore and Hwy Commissioner Lee. We have a quorum to do business.

**Approval of Prior Meeting's Minutes** ~ A motion was made by Trustee Robertson to accept the minutes from the last regular board meeting on December 28, 2011. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Carlson and passed with Trustees Carlson, Robertson, Zeien, Turner and Supervisor Murphy indicating aye on a voice vote.

**Transfers** ~ there are no transfers.

### Reports

**Supervisors Report** ~ TOI (Township Officials of Illinois) is asking the Townships in Illinois to purchase ad space in their commemorative issue marking 70 years of publications. The deadline is April 1<sup>st</sup> to make a decision whether we want to advertise in the in the commemorative issue or not. The prices to advertise are as follows a full page ad is \$550.00, 1/2 page is \$345.00, 1/4 page is \$240.00, 1/8 page is \$150.00. Supervisor Murphy said we have plenty of time to decide what we want to do and will see that the Board Members receive the information necessary to make a decision.

**Highway Commissioner's Report** ~ the Highway Dept. ordered 300 tons of road salt yesterday and received it today.

**Assessor's Report** ~ the Board of Review finished reviewing 550 property tax appeals, letters will be going out soon with the Board decision. They have 5 days to appeal the Board of Reviews decision once they receive the letters. Assessor Helnore stated that after sales studies were completed the County was over assessed by 21% and Belvidere Township was over assessed by 24%.

**Clerk's Report** ~ the Flora Grange is having a "Benefit Buffet Breakfast" this Sunday January 16<sup>th</sup> at the Belvidere Moose Lodge from 8:00-11:00am the cost is \$6.00 and \$3.00 for children. Net proceeds to benefit the Salvation Army. Swedish American Health Systems is hosting a "Health Series Seminar" to discuss health care reform. Dr. Bill Gorski, Swedish American CEO will be the speaker. The event will be this Thursday January 13<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 noon at the Community Building. Reservations are required and a light lunch will be served.

**Trustee's Report** ~ **Trustee Carlson**, Mark Rodin has made plaques out of the old floor at the Community Building these will be sold to the public. **Trustee Robertson**, February 8<sup>th</sup> is the BCCA's "Love Is In The Air" fundraiser. **Trustee Zeien**, has updated the Township web site with all of 2010's board meeting minutes. **Trustee Turner**, nothing to report at this time.

**Unfinished Business ~ Security Cameras**, the Highway Commissioner has purchased security cameras that will be installed to view areas of concern for the Highway Dept. this is being paid for out of the Road District Budget. The Board might consider adding to the Road District cameras at a future time.

**Website-Paul Zeien**, Trustee Zeien would like to make some changes to the web site by adding more graphics for easier navigating through the system. The Board did not have a problem with the changes Trustee Zeien wanted to make.

**Legal** ~ nothing to discuss under legal.

**New Business** ~ no new business to discuss.

**Treasurer's Report and Approval of Town Bills** ~ Trustee Zeien made a motion to pay the town bills the motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Robertson and passed with Trustees Carlson, Robertson, Zeien, Turner and Supervisor Murphy indicating aye on a roll call vote.

**Public Comments** ~ no public comments.

**Adjournment** ~ Supervisor Murphy asked to adjourn the meeting at 5:24 pm, and asked for a voice vote with Trustees Carlson, Robertson, Zeien, Turner and Supervisor Murphy indicating aye on a voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted  
Judy Schabacker Clerk