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BELVIDERE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING JANUARY 25, 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, Turner and Supervisor Murphy. Trustee Zeien is absent due to illness. 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 Carlson to accept the minutes from the last regular board meeting on January 11th 2011. The motion was 2nd by Trustee Robertson and passed with Trustees Carlson, Robertson, Turner and Supervisor Murphy indicating aye on a voice vote.

Transfers ~~ there are no transfers.

Reports

Supervisors Report ~~ at our next Board Meeting on February 8th States Attorney Michelle Courier has asked to be on the agenda and speak to the Board. Pete Holland our Road District Foreman hooked up the newest security camera that came in and also changed the lights on the pole by the gas tanks. Thanks to Pete we didn't have to hire anyone to come in and do that for us.

Highway Commissioner's Report ~~ Rich received a memo from the County Engineer with the new prices for road surfacing this year. Last year the price was \$74,000 for 1 ½ mile of road surfacing this year it will be \$90,000 for the same work due to the higher cost of oil.

Assessor's Report ~ Assessor Helnore said her office is hard at work and will be sending there their notices next week. Supervisor Murphy read a letter given to him by Assessor Helnore. The letter was a request by Todd Schroeder Court Administrator 17th Judicial District asking to use our Board room in the event of a situation where the Boone County Court House was rendered unusable due to unknown circumstances. Supervisor Murphy and the Board didn't see any problem with that use. Supervisor Murphy will contact Todd Schroeder and discuss the request with him.

Clerk's Report ~~ There will be a ribbon cutting and open house Thursday January 27th at 4:30pm for the new "Sears Hometown Store" at 425 Southtowne Drive (Pacemaker Shopping Center). Following the ribbon cutting there will be an open house until 6:00pm. Tuesday February 15th is the date set for the Chamber's "Women's Business Breakfast Network" to be held at the Community Building at 7:30am there will be three guest speakers, Dawna Menke, Administrator at the Belvidere Swedish American Medical Center, Carolyn Sluiter, Freeport Home Medical Equipment President and Sarah Jane Gamble, Rue La Paris Catering events manager. The cost is \$15.00 with reservation deadline February 10th. The Board of Realtors is hosting an After Hours tonight from 4:30 – 6:00 pm at 215 N. State St. with a complimentary "Italian Buffet". The Boone County Farm Bureau is having an Old Fashion Farmer's Breakfast Wednesday January 26th at the Belvidere Family YMCA at 7:30 am at which time they will discuss "Illinois Livestock Production".

Trustee's Report ~~ **Trustee Carlson**, nothing to report. **Trustee Robertson**, the BCCA has not received any additional money from the State. The BCCA's "Loves is in the Air" Fundraiser is scheduled for February 8th from 5:00 -7:00 pm at the Moose. **Trustee Zeien**, no report at this time. **Trustee Turner**, there are still some lights out in our parking lot. Supervisor Murphy stated that he received a bid of \$5,600 from Dean Hazlewood to repair the brick on the corner of the Township building.

Unfinished Business ~~ Security Camera, Trustee Robertson asked Supervisor Murphy to get together a plan of what we need or the minimum number of cameras needed so we can get this off the agenda. Trustee Carlson asked if we need some kind of policy regarding security camera footage due to a current law suit concerning security camera footage placed on the internet.

Website, the Board will lay discussion of the website over to the next meeting due to Trustee Zeien's absence at this meeting.

Legal ~~ nothing to discuss for legal.

New Business ~~ nothing for new business.

Treasurer's Report and Approval of Town Bills ~~ Trustee Robertson made a motion to pay the town bills the motion was 2nd by Trustee Turner and passed with four ayes no nays and one absent with Trustees Carlson, Robertson, Turner and Supervisor Murphy indicating aye on a roll call vote.

Public Comments ~~ no public comments.

Adjournment \sim a motion was made by Trustee Robertson to adjourn the meeting at 5:20 pm, 2nd by Trustee Turner. The motion passed with four ayes no nays and one absent with Trustees Carlson, Robertson, Turner and Supervisor Murphy indicating aye on a voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted Judy Schabacker Clerk