

**BELVIDERE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
8200 FAIRGROUNDS ROAD
BELVIDERE, IL 61008
SEPTEMBER 13, 2022 5:00 PM**

MINUTES

Call to Order/Roll Call ~~ Supervisor Bill Robertson 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 Grover, O'Malley, Turner, Culvey and Supervisor Robertson, also present Clerk Dixon, and Hwy Commissioner Dixon. We have a quorum to do business.

Public Input ~~ no public comment requests submitted by the public.

Auditor Report ~~ A motion was made by Supervisor Robertson to allow the audit report to be moved up on the agenda and was 2nd by Trustee Turner. Motion passed. Lindsey Fish from SIKICH presented the annual independent audit report. The structure has changed slightly from years past. They have come to the opinion that we have a clean audit report. The comparative statements were reviewed. The total net position is \$14.9 million approx. most of which is restricted due to liabilities and based up our tax levies and \$2.4 million is unrestricted. We had a change in net position of approx. \$680,000. Our general fund had an ending fund balance of \$1.9 million which gives the Township about two years of reserves which is a healthy fund balance as of March 31, 2022. Various funds showed an increase to come to that total. We have a net pension asset of a little over \$1 million as of December 31, 2021. Also note that the net pension asset will continue to decline. The floor was opened to any questions with Trustee O'Malley asking about the amount of reserves we are able to hold, the tax rate, inflation, and loss of road funds. Over-all the township received a very good report.

Discussion and Potential Action on Approval of Prior Meeting's Minutes ~~A motion was made by Trustee Grover to approve the minutes from the last regular township board meeting on August 23, 2022. The motion was 2nd by Trustee O'Malley and passed with Trustees Grover, O'Malley, Turner, Culvey and Supervisor Robertson indicating aye on a voice vote.

Discussion and Potential Action on Transfers ~~ there are no transfers.

Reports

Supervisors Report ~~ Supervisor Robertson is unable to attend the TOI Conference this year.

Highway Commissioner's Report ~~ The new truck arrives tomorrow. Spring Township is buying the old one. Discussed the new truck that is ordered and he reports that we will not be purchasing it and has let it go to the dealer. Monroe is so booked up it will not be done for a year so he ordered one for next year and it will be done in a more timely manner and not sit in the shed for a year.

Assessor's Report ~~ No report.

Clerk's Report ~~ Reminded to get the registration forms in if attending the TOI Conference.

Trustee's Report ~~ **Trustee O'Malley**, (Growth Dimensions & Twp/County Liaison) Growth Dimensions dinner went well. The speaker was someone that works for Pillsbury and had a local connection to the community. **Trustee Grover**, (Boone County Council on Aging & Twp/City Counsel Liaison) Have a finance meeting on Sept. 26. A board member at BCCA resigned at the last finance meeting. There was one winner at the quilt raffle of the tickets she sold. Trustee Grover received an email from the director sharing that RJ Daniels Fuel & Tire paid to repair the med car air conditioner. It was brought up at the meeting regarding all the repairs that vehicle has needed lately. The Medicare specialist also resigned so that will be backed up for awhile as it is a key position. It has been suggested that we ask for some type of audit for the Township funds given to Boone County Council on Aging. She will investigate this further. **Trustee Turner**, (Community Building Complex & Senior Trustee Duties) He did a walk thru with the building and grounds and reviewed the five year plan. It was very informative. Looking into the purchase of a generator. Also, they are having the curtains cleaned for the 1st time. **Trustee Culvey**, (Building Maintenance & Twp. Public Safety Coordinator) Still working on the card scanner at the back door to see why it only works occasionally. Supervisor Robertson stated it needed to be fixed and up to \$1,000 could be spent without board approval as it is a necessity of the building.

Unfinished Business ~~ **Discussion and Potential Action May Occur on the Following Items.** There is no unfinished business to discuss at tonight's meeting.

Legal ~~ there is no legal business to discuss at tonight's meeting.

New Business ~~ Please note item a.) RE: the audit report was moved to discuss after Public Input.

b.) A motion was made by Supervisor Robertson to change the date of the Tuesday, November 15 meeting to Wednesday, November 16 due to conflicting with the TOI Conference. Discussion followed. Trustee Grover asked if there was a back-up plan in case the COVID numbers continue to rise. Motion was 2nd by Trustee Turner. The motion passed with Trustees Grover, O'Malley, Turner, Culvey and Supervisor Robertson indicating aye on a voice vote.

Discussion and Potential Action on Treasurer's Report and Approval of Bills ~~ Trustee Turner made a motion to pay the town bills the motion was 2nd by Trustee Culvey and passed with Trustees Grover, O'Malley, Turner, Culvey and Supervisor Robertson indicating aye on a roll call vote.

Adjournment ~~ a motion was made by Trustee Turner to adjourn the meeting at 5:27 pm, 2nd by Trustee Culvey. The motion passed with Trustees Grover, O'Malley, Turner, Culvey and Supervisor Robertson indicating aye on a voice vote.

Next Board Meeting: September 27, 2022, @ 5:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted
Michelle Dixon, Clerk