

**BELVIDERE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
8200 FAIRGROUNDS ROAD
BELVIDERE, IL 61008
MAY 10, 2011 5:00 PM**

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 Zeien to accept the minutes from the last regular board meeting on April 26, 2011. The motion was 2nd by Trustee Carlson and passed with Trustees Carlson, Robertson, Zeien, Turner and Supervisor Murphy indicating aye on a voice vote.

Trustee Robertson made a motion to move up on the Agenda the presentation by **EMA/CERT –Water Rescue** listed under **New Business**. The motion was 2nd by **Trustee Zeien** and passed with five ayes no nays on a voice vote. **Supervisor Murphy introduced Boone County Deputy Sandra Rogers the EMA (Emergency Management Agency) Coordinator** who along with CERT volunteers explained the need for a new or good used rescue boat. The boat being used now is in bad repair and not adapted for Boone County waterways. The agency is asking Belvidere Township for \$4,500 as seed money to get things started, the total expected cost for a new boat is around \$16,500. The Board will consider their request.

Transfers ~~ there are no transfers.

Reports

Supervisors Report ~~ nothing to report at this time.

Highway Commissioner's Report ~~ the truck that the Highway Dept. ordered 7 months ago came in. Blacktopping will be start Monday June 6th on Belvidere Township roads.

Assessor's Report ~~ Chief Deputy Assessor Linda Treu will be retiring. Assessor Helnore handed out to the Board a list of requirements for a new person to replace Linda Treu.

Clerk's Report ~~ TOI (Township Officials of Illinois) will have an educational program on Thursday July 14, 2011 at Cliffbreakers in Rockford. The signup sheet will be in Terri's office if you are interested in attending the registration deadline is July 1st. ALERTA is asking for a donation to help with their Summer Youth Program. This program is targeted toward children K-6th grade and will take place on July 11-15 and July 18-22.

Trustee's Report ~ Trustee Carlson, the Community Building Board is working on their budget. Trustee Robertson, the BCCA is working on their budget just like everyone else. The State still owes the BCCA money. Trustee Zeien, nothing to report at this time. Trustee Turner, we will need to get together with a contractor to discuss the masonry corner on the outside of the building.

Unfinished Business ~ nothing to discuss under unfinished business.

Legal ~ Nothing to discuss under legal.

New Business ~ EMA/CERT-Water Rescue, was moved up earlier on the agenda.

Budget Revision-Replacement Personnel Expenses-Diann Helnore, Assessor Helnore asked for this to be on the agenda in order to discuss revising her completed but not yet approved 2011/2012 budget. Assessor Helnore is asking for an additional \$27,430.00 to cover training expenses for a new hire to replace retiring Chief Deputy Assessor Linda Treu. After much discussion and consideration by the Board it was decided that with the 14% increase on the original budget presented to the board an additional \$27,430.00 could not be justified in today's struggling economy. It was suggested by the board to hire someone that already had the necessary educational training to do the job, thus saving the expense of training someone for that position. Trustee Carlson made a motion to accept the originally proposed 2011/2012 budget presented to the board on April 19th. Trustee Robertson 2nd the motion with Trustee's Carlson, Robertson, Zeien, Turner and Supervisor Murphy indicating aye on a roll call vote.

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 Trustees Carlson, Robertson, Zeien, Turner and Supervisor Murphy indicating aye on a roll call vote.

Public Comments ~ no public comments.

Adjournment ~ a motion was made by Trustee Carlson to adjourn the meeting at 5:55 pm, 2nd by Trustee Zeien motion passed with Trustees Carlson, Robertson, Zeien, Turner and Supervisor Murphy indicating aye on a voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted
Judy Schabacker Clerk