

**BELVIDERE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
8200 FAIRGROUNDS ROAD
BELVIDERE, IL 61008
JANUARY 22, 2013 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 and Township Attorney Keri-Lyn Krafthefer. We have a quorum to do business.

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

Discussion and Potential Action on Approval of Prior Meeting's Minutes ~ A motion was made by Trustee Carlson to approve the minutes from the last regular township board meeting on January 8, 2013. The motion was 2nd by Trustee Turner and passed with Trustees Carlson, Robertson, Zeien, Turner and Supervisor Murphy indicating aye on a voice vote.

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

Reports

Supervisors Report ~ **Budget Dates**, Supervisor Murphy announced the dates of all upcoming special meetings for 2013 including the dates for all budget related meetings. **Representative Bob Prichard's Town Hall Meeting** will be held at the Township Building on February 22, 2013, the time for the meeting is unknown at this time.

Highway Commissioner's Report ~ the highway road crew will be out trimming trees on the roadway.

Assessor's Report ~ February 2nd the Assessor's office will have a booth at BOCO. The books are open for the 2013 assessment work which has started; a mailing will go out to let property owners know the assessor's office will be out doing field work.

Clerk's Report ~ nothing to report at this time.

Trustee's Report ~ **Trustee Carlson**, nothing to report at this time. **Trustee Robertson**, the BCCA is still waiting for funds from the state which is six months behind on their funding. The BCCA is pleased that the lights on the Flag are now working thanks to a local electrician donating his time to the project. **Trustee Zeien**, nothing to report at this time. **Trustee Turner**, nothing to report at this time.

Unfinished Business ~ Discussion and Potential Action May Occur on the Following Items. Enclosed Bulletin Board. Trustee Turner and Township resident Richard Nelson are working out all of the details for a bulletin board to be installed in the entry way of the Township Building.

Legal ~ Township Attorney Keri-Lyn Krafthefer, read the outcome from the (Open Meetings Act) complaint filed by Catherine Ward dated June 19, 2012. Based on the information given to the Public Access Counselor it was determined that the Board did not violate the Open Meetings Act and the matter is closed.

New Business ~ Veterans Commission, Commander Greg Kelm from the VFW and Commander Marilyn Riske from the American Legion talked about the newly formed Veterans Commission that was set up last Fall. The Commission will help qualifying veterans in Boone County. The Commission is looking for office space in Belvidere and inquired about a possible site at the Belvidere Township building. Commander Kelm also talked about the referendum on April 9, 2013 if it passes it would help to fund the Veterans Commission.

Discussion and Potential Action on Treasurer's Report and Approval of 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.

Adjournment ~ a motion was made by Trustee Turner 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.

Next Board Meeting: February 11, 2013 @ 5:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted
Judy Schabacker Clerk