BELVIDERE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING 8200 FAIRGROUNDS ROAD BELVIDERE, IL 61008 APRIL 10, 2012 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, Hwy Commissioner Lee and Township Attorney Keri-Lyn Krafthefer. We have a quorum to do business.

Approval of Prior Meeting's Minutes ~ A motion was made by Trustee Robertson to approve the minutes from the last regular township board meeting on March 27, 2012. The motion was 2nd 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 — the township received a FOIA request from Cathy Ward; this request will be answered by mail tomorrow. We received correspondence from the States Attorney's office regarding the Open Meetings Act violation that the Township filed against the City of Belvidere, our response has been submitted.

Highway Commissioner's Report — no report at this time.

Assessor's Report — the Assessor's office has 2000 properties that need to be looked at for this year. After sales studies were completed this year the Assessor's office will be taking down the property values in Belvidere Township 9.9% the majority of these properties will be in the city and older properties.

Clerk's Report ~~ no report at this time.

Trustee's Report — **Trustee Carlson**, nothing to report at this time. **Trustee Robertson**, the BCCA is still waiting on funds from the State. **Trustee Zeien**, nothing to report at this time. **Trustee Turner**, nothing to report at this time.

Unfinished Business ~ Belvidere Township Newsletter, the Township will be using the Boone County Shopper to do the Newsletter, it is ¼ the cost if we were to mail it out.

Legal — nothing to discuss for legal at tonight's meeting.

New Business — there is no new business to discuss at tonight's meeting.

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

Public Comments ~ Township resident Cathy Ward asked what the Attorney General had to say about the OMA violation against the City of Belvidere? Township Attorney Keri-Lyn Krafthefer stated that what the Township received was a reply from Attorney Steve Silverman at Public Access Counselor Office stating that attached was a copy of the City's position and asking if the Township wanted to reply to that position. Township resident Kay Blair wanted to thank the Hwy Commissioner Rich Lee for posting the signs on Shaw Road to control the heavy truck traffic on that road. Township resident Bill Wolf asked when the 2012/2013 budget will be available. Supervisor Murphy stated that it would be after April 30th 2012, and will be available for inspection after that date.

Adjournment ~ a motion was made by Trustee Robertson to adjourn the meeting at 5:08 pm, 2nd by Trustee Turner motion passed with Trustees Carlson, Robertson, Zeien, Turner and Supervisor Murphy indicating aye on a voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted Judy Schabacker Clerk