

**BELVIDERE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
8200 FAIRGROUNDS ROAD
BELVIDERE, IL 61008
AUGUST 28, 2012 5:00 PM**

MINUTES

Call to Order/Roll Call ~ in the absence of Supervisor Pat Murphy due to illness Trustee Robertson made a motion to appoint Trustee Carlson to chair the Township Board meeting tonight. The motion was 2nd by Trustee Zeien and passed with four ayes no nays and one absent on a voice vote. Trustee Carlson 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, and Turner. Also present Clerk Schabacker, Assessor Helnore, Hwy Commissioner Lee and Township Attorney Keri-Lyn Krafthefer. We have a quorum to do business.

Public Input ~ Township resident Patrick Mattison commented on Salaries and the Contingency Fund. Township resident Bill Wolf's comments were on setting salaries.

Approval of Prior Meeting's Minutes ~ A motion was made by Trustee Zeien to approve the minutes from the last regular township board meeting on August 14, 2012. The motion was 2nd by Trustee Robertson and passed with four ayes no nays one absent with Trustees Carlson, Robertson, Zeien and Turner indicating aye on a voice vote.

Transfers ~ there are no transfers.

Reports

Supervisors Report ~ no report due to absence.

Highway Commissioner's Report ~ on Monday our Township Road Crew helped Caledonia Township shoulder up their section of Beloit Rd. Our Road Crew is also out trimming trees and doing work around mail boxes where there is a drop off.

Assessor's Report ~ the Assessor's office has finished up their work and the whole process will be starting over again. The Assessor also would like to have some input when it comes time to set salaries.

Clerk's Report ~ a thank you was received by Supervisor Murphy for the Glycerol Project that was utilized by the Township Road Crew to control dust on gravel roads. October 4th RAMP is sponsoring a Breaking Barriers Luncheon at Cliffbreakers at 11:45 am. Guest speaker is Alyson Beytien speaking on autism with her two sons David and John, the cost is \$40.00 per person. The Township received a thank you email regarding the services received for GA (General Assistance) from Terri Bullard and the staff at the Belvidere Township office.

Trustee's Report ~ Trustee Carlson, on August 21st the Township sponsored a thank you dinner at the Township to thank the volunteer groups such as CERT and VIP for all their services and hard work with programs initiated by the Township such as Shred Day and the Drug Collection program. **The dinner was well attended with about 46 volunteers in attendance.** Trustee Robertson, the BCCA did get some money in but are still 4 ½ months behind from the State. They BCCA have still been able to make payroll and have not had to borrow money yet. The BCCA is having a Fund Raising Dinner on September 18th at the Belvidere Moose. **Trustee Zeien**, no report at this time. **Trustee Turner**, no report at this time.

Unfinished Business ~ **Orth Road Contract**, Belvidere Township has heard nothing from Timberlane about their bridge project.

Setting of Salaries, Trustee Robertson made a motion to take off the table for discussion the tabled Salaries motion from the last Board Meeting the motion to take it off the table was 2nd by Trustee Zeien and passed with four ayes no nays and one absent on a voice vote. Discussion on salaries by the Board continued with input from Assessor Helnore and Hwy Commissioner Lee. Trustee Robertson made a motion to table discussion on salaries, Trustee Turner 2nd the motion. The motion passed with four ayes no nays and one absent on a voice vote.

Harvest Fest Request, Trustee Robertson made a motion to take off the table for discussion the tabled Harvest Fest Request for a donation the motion was 2nd by Trustee Turner and passed with four ayes no nays and one absent on a voice vote. Trustee Robertson made a motion to support Harvest Fest the motion failed when acting Chairman Carlson asked for ayes in support of a Harvest Fest contribution there were no ayes in support of the contribution. Acting Chairman Carlson then asked for a positive sign to not support Harvest Fest, there were four ayes and one absent not to support Harvest Fest at this time.

Wind Turbines, no additional information has come in regarding Wind Turbines.

Legal ~ there is nothing new to discuss under legal for tonight's meeting.

New Business ~ Acting Chairman Carlson asked Clerk Judy Schabacker about the upcoming election and handing out petitions. Petitions are being handed out at the Belvidere Township office as of August 28th for the February 26, 2013 Primary Election. Those that want to run as either a Republican or Democrat can start circulating petitions on August 28th. The completed petitions can be returned to the Township Clerk's office November 19-26th. The daytime hours to return them has not been determined but will be published in the paper. A disclaimer has to be signed by anyone picking up a packet of election papers from Belvidere Township. All the necessary elections papers and forms can be printed off the State Board of Elections web site at www.elections.il.gov.

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, Zeien and Turner indicating aye on a roll call vote.

Adjournment ~ a motion was made by Trustee Zeien to adjourn the meeting at 5:38 pm, 2nd by Trustee Turner motion passed with four ayes no nays and one absent with Trustees Carlson, Robertson, Zeien and Turner indicating aye on a voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted
Judy Schabacker Clerk