

**BELVIDERE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
8200 FAIRGROUNDS ROAD
BELVIDERE, IL 61008
JANUARY 24, 2023 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 O'Malley, Grover, Turner, Culvey and Supervisor Robertson, also present Clerk Dixon, Assessor St. Angel and Hwy Commissioner Dixon. 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 O'Malley to approve the minutes from the last regular township board meeting on January 10, 2023. The motion was 2nd by Trustee Turner 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 ~~ nothing to report at this time.

Highway Commissioner's Report ~~ We are ready for tomorrow's snow. We have found that the PVC air lines in the shop are actually against the building code. There have been a couple pipe blow outs last year. We will be replacing all the air lines in the shop with new aluminum pipe. This work will bring the air lines up to code and make them safer. We will do the work ourselves for a total cost of about \$2,000.

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

Clerk's Report ~~ The list of addresses have been filed with this County Clerk's office and Economic Interest Statements will be mailed out February 1, 2023. Please turn in your completed statement to me and I will file them with the County Clerk.

Trustee's Report ~~ **Trustee O'Malley**, (Growth Dimensions &Twp/County Liaison) The new cold storage plant is now saying it will provide 700 jobs not the 1500 originally stated. He has also been noticing more houses for sale in the County. **Trustee Grover**, (Boone County Council on Aging & Twp/City Counsel Liaison) Finance Committee Meeting is scheduled Monday, February 6, 2023 at 3:30 PM. Full Board Meeting is scheduled Monday, February 27, 2023 at 3:30 PM. Received mailed Senior Tax Freeze notification from Boone Co. Assessment office. Forms are available online, at their office (1208 Logan Avenue, Belvidere, IL. 61008) and the Boone Co. Council on Aging. Criteria you must meet to qualify, including documentation you must provide is included on the form. AARP Tax Aide Program: Appointments will begin on February 2, 2023 with scheduling to begin on January 30, 2023.

Trustee's Report, continued ~~ Reminder: Donations will be encouraged and accepted. I have submitted two individuals I believe would be an asset to the Board of Directors with emphasis on their financial background as replacement for Treasurer, Jim Cox. The Chamber of Commerce will be hosting a Networking Event at Rivers Edge on March 2, 2023 at 11:30 AM. Pre-registration is required. **Trustee Turner**, (Community Building Complex & Senior Trustee Duties) No meeting was held at the Community Building due to lack of a quorum. The dumpster is filling with the ongoing remodel which has been found to be a bigger job than they thought. The company was able to find the problem water line and it was completely plugged. Unfortunately some of the local residents have also tried to use the dumpster. There are cameras to monitor this issue. **Trustee Culvey**, (Building Maintenance & Twp. Public Safety Coordinator) Jim was able to fix the problem with the back door not closing properly with some shim work.

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 ~~ Discussion and potential action on the Belvidere Township Funding Form: The funding form was emailed to the Supervisor and all trustees to review. Not all board members have reviewed it so potential action will be tabled to the next meeting. Discussion followed regarding how much information is being requested from the client. Supervisor Robertson stated that the township attorney did a great job putting this document together. Trustee Grover asked if an organization will fill this form out once a year or have to do another if additional funds are requested. Supervisor Robertson stated that just because an agency requests an amount, that doesn't mean they will receive the full amount. Trustee Turner asked if someone could make a request during the calendar year or if it was only one certain time of the year. Supervisor Robertson shared it was his understanding that an organization / entity should only be requesting funds once a year and not entering into multiple fund agreements during the course of the calendar year. Trustee Turner also brought up the parking lot for the Boone County Council on Aging buses and the need to be seal coated. Could they come to the board during the summer months as ask for help with funds for this? He states that we should be ready to help protect our investment, in this lot, as it is past due on getting re-sealed. The approach to that lot is also in disrepair. Trustee Grover brought up the discussions about getting a facility to house the Keen Age busses and asked if that would make a difference in the help we would offer with the current lot. She would like the board to keep in mind that the funding could change with the monies the County Board received from a grant. Trustee O'Malley mentioned the Belvidere Cemetery possibly building a new building. Supervisor Robertson explained our role in the cemetery levy and that the cemetery's building and spending is the responsibility of their own board. Supervisor Robertson asked for the board to make any corrections/changes so the funding form is ready to be voted on at the next board meeting and can be put into use. He also reminded them that any changes will have to be approved by the attorney.

Discussion and Potential Action on Treasurer's Report and Approval of Bills ~~ Trustee Culvey made a motion to pay the town bills the motion was 2nd by Trustee Turner and passed with Trustees O'Malley, Grover, 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 5:20 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: February 14, 2023, @ 5:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted
Michelle Dixon, Clerk