

**PUBLIC HEARING
NOVEMBER 27, 2007**

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING OF THE PRESIDENT & BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF BEECHER, ILLINOIS HELD AT THE WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP CENTER, 30200 TOWN CENTER ROAD, BEECHER, ILLINOIS BEGINNING AT 7:05 P.M. ON NOVEMBER 27, 2007.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: President Lohmann and Trustees Cleary, Ahrendt, Szymanski, Gardner, Kuhlman and Wehling.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Clerk Janett Conner, Administrator Robert Barber, Chief Jeffrey Weissgerber, Public Works employees Joe Spanier and Floyd Burger and Public Works Superintendent Harold "Bud" Cowger.

GUESTS: Terry Gatlin from the Beecher Herald, Bill Byrns from the Daily Journal, Bill Voss, Chuck Bruti, Joe Schudt, Andrew Ahrendt, Tom Brislane, Jeff Zimmer, Ken Miller, Brian and Danna Neville, Mitch Cadwallader, Roger Stacey, George Schuitema and Joseph Venturella.

Trustee Szymanski made a motion to open the public hearing at 7:05 p.m. Trustee Cleary seconded the motion.

AYES: (6) Trustees Cleary, Ahrendt, Szymanski, Gardner, Kuhlman and Wehling.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

A public hearing was held to consider a property tax levy for 2007 collectible in 2008. Due notice of the tax levy hearing was published in the Beecher Herald. A handout was provided to audience members. Administrator Barber read aloud each levy amount. The total levy amount for all funds is \$597,484. Board members were asked if they had any questions. The floor was opened for public comments. There was none offered.

President Lohmann asked for a motion to close the public hearing. Trustee Szymanski made a motion to close the hearing at 7:10 p.m. Trustee Cleary seconded the motion.

AYES: (6) Trustees Cleary, Ahrendt, Szymanski, Gardner, Kuhlman and Wehling.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted by:

Janett Conner, Village Clerk