

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT
& BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF BEECHER
HELD AT THE WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP CENTER,
30200 TOWN CENTER DRIVE, BEECHER, ILLINOIS
AUGUST 26, 2008 -- 7:00 P.M.**

JOINT TAXING BODY MEETING

All present joined in the Pledge to the Flag.

The meeting was called to order.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: President Lohmann and Trustees Cleary, Ahrendt, Szymanski, Kuhlman and Wehling
(arrived 8:11 p.m.)

ABSENT: None.

All other taxing bodies called roll.

STAFF & OTHERS PRESENT: Administrator Robert Barber.

A joint taxing body meeting was held to share information relating to each taxing body. The Village, School District, Fire District, Library District and Township had representatives present.

Many issues were discussed, including continuing legislation for property taxes collected off state-owned land, a 1% sales tax for school district capital, the need for a park district, assessed values in the Township, dial-a-ride program, and the Townships open space initiative.

It was the consensus of the Village Board to draft a resolution in support of lifting the sunset on the payment of property taxes on IDOT land purchased for the airport, to no longer plow Hillcrest Drive, to ask for a meeting with the forest preserve to discuss bike paths and land acquisition, and to use Don Thomas as a facilitator for updating the community's strategic plan. The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday, January 29, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

Trustee Cleary made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Szymanski seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Robert Barber, Clerk Pro-Tem