

**PUBLIC HEARING**  
**APRIL 23, 2012**

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING OF THE PRESIDENT AND 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 APRIL 23, 2012.

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**ABSENT:** None.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Clerk Janett Conner, Administrator Robert Barber, Chief Jeffrey Weissgerber, Treasurer Nelson Collins and Public Works Superintendent Harold "Bud" Cowger.

**GUESTS:** Bob Jaderberg from the Southland Voice, Kyle Mose, Lesa Kypuros, Adam Howard, George Schuitema, Tami Roskamp, Kim Koutsky, Erika Hodac, Stephanie Salmen, Pat Peters, Mary Howard, Joni Jones, Trish Moran, Kim Kettman, Tiffany Messana, Todd Kraus, Dave Bunte, Elizabeth Delgado, Laura Irwin and Karen Salmen.

Trustee Cleary made a motion to open the public hearing at 7:05 p.m. to consider a budget and appropriation for Fiscal Year 2012/2013 beginning May 1, 2012 and ending April 30, 2013.

Trustee Ahrendt seconded the motion.

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

**NAYS:** (0) None.

Motion Carried.

Budgets were made available to the audience and Administrator Barber announced the budget will be available on the website. The budget message was read aloud and major points were explained. Administrator Barber also announced that Standard and Poors upgraded the Village's Bond rating earlier that day to an A+ strong rating from an A+ stable rating due to the Village's financial management processes. Board members and audience members were asked for input on the budget. Kim Koutsky asked if any large loan or bond payments were coming due or any major upcoming projects. Administrator Barber explained potential watermain and sewer plant projects that may be needed. There were no other questions.

Trustee Cleary made a motion to close the public hearing at 7:15 p.m. Trustee Szymanski seconded the motion.

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

**NAYS:** (0) None.

Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted by:

  
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Janett Conner, Village Clerk