

**Special Meeting
St. Clair Township**

DATE: November 30, 2010

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

LOCATION: St. Clair Township
107 Service Street
Swansea, IL 62226

MEMBERS PRESENT: Tim Buchanan, Supervisor
Mary Carroll, Clerk
Bob Trentman, Trustee
Dave Barnes, Trustee
Richard Schobert, Trustee
Mark Burk, Hwy Commissioner

OTHERS PRESENT: Terry Carroll

Roll Call:

The special meeting of the St. Clair Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Buchanan with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken. All present except for Trustee Bridgman and Assessor Knee.

Public Comment: - None

Business Items - Tax Levy Discussion

Supervisor Buchanan directed the Board members to the budget report. He said that about 63% of the fiscal year has passed so that is where the spending level should be. He said the spending in the town fund is not a problem. However, he said the general assistance fund is 78% spent already this year. The areas in particular that are over in the general assistance fund are physician services, shelter and medicine.

Supervisor Buchanan pointed out that when looking at revenue versus expenses, the town fund would be up about \$16,000, the general assistance fund would be down approximately \$59,000 and the park fund would be down about \$77,000. He said this would result in about \$120,000 that will be needed. Supervisor Buchanan proposed to raise the overall levy of the Township by \$50,000. He pointed out that the Township Road District will be decreasing the levy by \$75,000. He explained that by doing it this way, the tax needed will be decreased overall by \$25,000. He asked the Board members for feedback before he proceeded.

Trustee Schobert said he would like to look all the information over some more.

Trustee Schobert made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Barnes seconded the motion. Roll call vote. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Mary Carroll
Township Clerk