

Special Board Meeting
St. Clair Township

DATE: July 21, 2009

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

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

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Robert Knee, Assessor

STAFF PRESENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: None

Roll Call:
The special meeting of the St. Clair Township Board was called to order by Supervisor, Tim Buchanan with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call found that all board members, except for Assessor, Robert Knee, were present.

Public Comment:
There was no public comment.

Subordination of Surface Rights for Public Road Purposes:
Supervisor Buchanan explained the Route 159 project the State of Illinois Department of Transportation is conducting. He asked for a motion to approve the Subordination of Rights. Trustee Barnes made a motion to approve and it was seconded by Trustee Schobert. All were in favor. No one opposed.

Resolution Regarding Bank of Springfield

At the last meeting, the Board approved putting the Bank of Springfield on the list of eligible banks. Since that time, Supervisor Buchanan has received the Report of Condition for the bank for the 4th Quarter of 2008 and the 1st Quarter of 2009. Supervisor Buchanan pointed out that the bank is growing and appears to be in good shape. A Resolution to approve the Bank of Springfield was submitted to the Board. Trustee Schobert noted one small correction that needed to be made to the Resolution. Trustee Bridgman made a motion to approve the Resolution with the correction. Trustee Schobert seconded. Roll call vote. All in favor.

Tax Abatement

The Board was presented a Current Tax Computation Report, an Abated Tax Computation Report and a Road District Home Tax Report showing both Current and Abated samples for the Board to review. Supervisor Buchanan gave a thorough explanation of the reports. Supervisor Buchanan showed that even though multiplier was rising, an abatement of part of the Road District taxes would cause Township residents to see only a slight increase or decrease from last year's taxes. After a lengthy discussion, it was determined that the Budget for this year is already set and the Road District is receiving \$53,000 more money than it needs or can use for this year's planned projects. Therefore, Trustee Barnes made a motion to abate \$53,000 of Road District tax funds. It was seconded by Trustee Bridgman. Roll Call Vote. Trustee Barnes, Aye. Trustee Schobert, Aye, Trustee Bridgman, Aye. Trustee Trentman, Nay, Supervisor Buchanan, Aye. 4 Ayes, 1 Nay. Motion Carried.

There being no further business, Trustee Barnes made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Schobert seconded. Roll Call Vote. All in favor.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Mary Carroll
Township Clerk

