

**Minutes – Board of Town Trustees
November 17, 2011**

STATE OF ILLINOIS
Crawford County
Town of Robinson

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES met at the Robinson Township Office at 6:00P.M. November 17, 2011.

The following official business was transacted. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Larry McCoy. Clerk Vickie Gribben then called the roll.

PRESENT:	Larry McCoy	Township Supervisor
	Vickie Gribben	Township Clerk
	Shirley Berry	Township Trustee
	Glenda Fulling	Township Trustee
	Pat Richards	Township Trustee
	Sue Roberts	Township Trustee
	David Lachenmayr	Township Highway Commissioner
	Bob Manning	Township Assessor

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited at the Road and Bridge Truth in Taxation Hearing which began at 5:45 P.M. November 17, 2011.

Persons from the public attending the meeting were as follows: Becky Taylor, Janie Thackrey, Lacey Whipkey, Gary Wilson and Matthew Wilson.

Mr. McCoy asked if the trustees had any questions or changes concerning the minutes for the October 20, 2011 monthly board meeting. Shirley Berry made the motion, seconded by Sue Roberts, to approve the minutes as written. Motion carried with vote as follows: Larry McCoy-yes; Glenda Fulling-yes; Pat Richards-yes; Shirley Berry-yes; Sue Roberts-yes.

Item 5A, the Supervisor’s Report: Chairman McCoy stated that IMRF had sent a ballot to the Township which listed the candidates for Executive Trustee for IMRF, then saw where it was on the agenda under new business. Chairman McCoy then stated that the final property tax disbursement is coming which will cover what is short in the budget. He noted the sheet showing the Robinson Township Investment List, renewal rates and interest rates. He referred the Board to their copies of the Township and Road and Bridge monthly account balances and read the beginning and ending balances of the Total Town Money Market Fund, the Total Road District Checking Account, and the Total Road and Bridge Money Market Fund for the month ending October 31, 2011. He then noted the page listing the revenue that had come in for processing the G.A. cases per Intergovernmental Agreements with other Townships for the fiscal year April 1, 2011 to November 16, 2011 and the amounts Robinson Township has disbursed for General Assistance and for Emergency Assistance.

Item 5B., the Highway Commissioner’s Report: Mr. Lachenmayr stated that the crew was finishing mowing, then repairing and putting away the mowers and getting out snow plows, stock piling salt and sand, getting ready for winter.

Item 5C: Mr. Manning informed the Board that he finished schooling for the year and was looking at school schedules for next year. He has to complete two courses next year. He said he has about 3.2 million in assessments which will be turned in on June 15, 2012. Assessments used to be due April 15th. He is working on outlying areas for assessments, basically riding the roads, and will be checking permits within the city limits.

Under Old or Continued Business, Item 6A, Pat and Glenda to present findings on the Cemetery Board: Glenda Fulling said that, in the past, members of the Cemetery Board were people who lived near the cemeteries and could keep an eye on the cemeteries. Mr. McCoy said that he would like to establish a fund for monument repair. Discussion ensued about the need to keep the cemeteries well maintained. Mr. Richards stated that he did not see the need for a Cemetery Board. Chairman McCoy suggested drawing up a set of rules or bylaws to increase their effectiveness. Mr. Richards stated that, if a problem arose, the office staff would be contacted first. He suggested that a committee of two be appointed from the Township Board of Trustees to review ordinances and make changes to same, oversee mowing and other maintenance requirements. Glenda Fulling asked what the procedure was if one did not want to keep a Cemetery Board. Chairman McCoy said that the Cemetery Board would just be abolished. Mr. McCoy asked if any trustee wanted to make a motion. Pat Richards said he would like to move the Cemetery Board be abolished. Shirley Berry seconded the motion. Mr. McCoy asked if there were further discussion. Shirley Berry stated that she believed a committee from the Township Board would be more active in looking after the cemeteries. Motion carried with vote as follows: Larry McCoy-yes; Glenda Fulling-yes; Pat Richards-yes; Shirley Berry-yes; Sue Roberts-yes.

Mr. McCoy asked if any trustee would like to serve on the committee. Glenda Fulling suggested Shirley Berry as she is a local florist and frequently goes to the cemeteries. Ms. Berry said she would be honored. Sue Roberts also agreed to serve. Mr. McCoy concluded by saying that the office would mail updated versions of forms used by the Township for the Board of Trustees to review for possible ratification at the next meeting. Pat Richards made a motion that Shirley Berry and Sue Roberts comprise the new Robinson Township Cemetery Oversight Committee. Glenda Fulling seconded the motion. Motion carried with vote as follows: Larry McCoy-yes; Glenda Fulling-yes; Pat Richards-yes; Shirley Berry-yes; Sue Roberts-yes.

Under Old or Continued Business, Item 6B: Adopt Robinson Township Tax Levy for the Tax Year 2011 Collectible in 2012 in the amount of five hundred twenty-nine thousand, three hundred ten dollars and 25/100 (\$529,310.25). The levy for the Robinson Township essentially went up five per cent. Chairman McCoy asked Lacey Whipkey, Township bookkeeper, the amount levied the previous year who responded with \$504,105.00. Mr. McCoy asked for a motion to adopt the Town Tax Levy as presented. Glenda Fulling so moved. Pat Richards seconded. Motion carried with vote as follows: Larry McCoy-yes; Glenda Fulling-yes; Pat Richards-yes; Shirley Berry-yes; Sue Roberts-yes.

Under Old or Continued Business, Item 6C: Adopt 2011 Road District Tax Levy collectible in 2012 in the amount of Eight Hundred Forty-Seven Thousand Dollars and 00/100 (847,000.00) which is approximately a ten per cent increase. Chairman McCoy moved to adopt the Robinson Road District Tax Levy as presented. Shirley Berry seconded. Motion carried with vote as follows: Larry McCoy-yes; Glenda Fulling-yes; Pat Richards-yes; Shirley Berry-yes; Sue Roberts-yes.

Under New Business, Item 7A: Voting for Election of Executive Trustee for IMRF. Chairman McCoy noted the candidates and asked if the trustees had a preference. Glenda Fulling moved to cast Robinson

Township's vote for Evelyn Gleason. Larry McCoy seconded. Motion carried with vote as follows: Larry McCoy-yes; Glenda Fulling-yes; Pat Richards-yes; Shirley Berry-yes; Sue Roberts-yes.

Under Item 7B: Road District's Approval for Increased Amount on Bucket Truck. Highway Commissioner Lachenmayer stated he had looked for a bucket truck in the approved price range of \$15,000.00. He asked for approval to increase the amount to \$17,500.00 as he had found one in Carrollton, Georgia. The truck is a 1997 Ford with 83,000 miles on it, has an 8.3 Cummins engine and an Allison five speed automatic transmission. It does not come with a guarantee. Larry McCoy moved to approve the increased amount of \$2,500.00 to a new total of \$17,500.00. Glenda Fulling seconded. Motion carried with vote as follows: Larry McCoy-yes; Glenda Fulling-yes; Pat Richards-yes; Shirley Berry-yes; Sue Roberts-yes.

Under Item 8A, Other Business: Pat Richards made the motion, seconded by Glenda Fulling, to approve payment of the Town, G.A., and Payroll bills. Motion carried with vote as follows: Larry McCoy-yes; Glenda Fulling-yes; Pat Richards-yes; Shirley Berry-yes; Sue Roberts-yes.

Under Other Business, Item 8B, Glenda Fulling made a motion to pay the Road District bills. Larry McCoy seconded. Motion carried with vote as follows: Larry McCoy-yes; Glenda Fulling-yes; Pat Richards-yes; Shirley Berry-yes; Sue Roberts-yes.

Under Other Business, Item 8C: Shirley Berry made a motion, seconded by Larry McCoy, to pre approve payment of elected officials for the time period of November 18, 2011 through December 15, 2011. Motion carried with vote as follows: Larry McCoy-yes; Glenda Fulling-yes; Pat Richards-yes; Shirley Berry-yes; Sue Roberts-yes.

Item 9: Shirley Berry made a motion, seconded by Larry McCoy, to pay per diem. Motion carried with vote as follows: Larry McCoy-yes; Glenda Fulling-yes; Pat Richards-yes; Shirley Berry-yes; Sue Roberts-yes.

Item 10, Adjourn Meeting: Larry McCoy asked to adjourn the meeting with all in favor voting aye. Meeting adjourned at 6:49 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vickie Gribben
Township Clerk

Larry McCoy
Township Supervisor