

CITY OF BLOOMINGTON TOWNSHIP

NOTICE

MEETING: Board of Trustees, City of Bloomington Township
DATE: Monday, August 22, 2010
PLACE: Bloomington City Hall
TIME: 6:30 P.M.

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order: Mayor Steve Stockton, Chairman
- II. Approval of Minutes of the July 26, 2010 Board Meeting, as submitted by Tracey Covert, Town Clerk.
- III. Action by Board on Monthly General Town Fund and General Assistance Fund Audits of July 2010 accounts.
- IV. Approval of General Town Fund anticipated expenditures as presented and certified.
- V. Comments: Michael W. Ireland, Township Assessor
- VI. Comments: Joe Gibson, Township Supervisor
- VII. Other
- VIII. Adjournment

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF THE CITY
OF BLOOMINGTON TOWNSHIP
JULY 26, 2010

The Board of Trustees for the Town of the City of Bloomington Township met in the Conference Room of City Hall Building at 6:45 P.M. on July 26, 2010.

The meeting was called to order by Trustee Stockton and the following were present:

Trustees: Steven Purcell, John Hanson, Jennifer McDade, David Sage, Jim Fruin, Bernie Anderson, Karen Schmidt, Kevin Huette, Judy Stearns, and Steve Stockton.

Also present were Staff: Tracey Covert, Town Clerk; and Joe Gibson, Township Supervisor.

Staff absent: Mike Ireland, Township Assessor.

The Minutes of June 28, 2010 Regular Session were presented.

Motion by Trustee Huette, seconded by Trustee Schmidt that the reading of the Minutes June 28, 2010 Regular Session meeting be dispensed with and approved as presented.

Motion carried.

The audit for the General Town Fund and the General Assistance Fund and Exhibit A. Request for Payment were presented for June 2010.

Motion by Trustee Schmidt, seconded by Trustee McDade, to approve the audits as presented and place on file.

Ayes: Trustees Purcell, Stearns, Hanson, McDade, Fruin, Anderson, Schmidt, Sage, Huette, and Stockton.

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

The anticipated expenditures were presented. An addendum was presented for items received after Thursday, July 22, 2010.

Trustee Sage questioned the expense for Legal Services, (Pratt & Pratt PC). Joe Gibson, Township Supervisor, informed the Board that this expense was incurred on behalf of the Township Assessor's Office.

Motion by Trustee Schmidt, seconded by Trustee McDade, to approve the anticipated expenditures.

Ayes: Trustees Purcell, Stearns, Hanson, McDade, Sage, Fruin, Anderson, Huette, Schmidt, and Stockton.

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

Mr. Gibson introduced Rick Phillips, Phillips & Associates, CPAs, PC, outside auditor. Mr. Phillips also served as a Normal Township Trustee and was a Township Officials of Illinois board member. The Annual Financial Report had been provided to the Board prior to the meeting. There were no new matters included in the report. Four (4) opinions were issued, (1. Unqualified on a modified cash basis; 2. No management discussion & analysis; 3. Disclaimer of opinion on required information; and 4. Supplemental information fairly presented in relation to). Mr. Phillips cited GASB, (Government Accounting Standards Board). The required financial statements were issued. The audit level performed addressed the Township's basic financial statements. There were adequate fund balances at the fiscal year end. There were no over expenditures. The Township financially was in the same place it had been at the end of the previous fiscal year, (2009 - \$2,062, 059 and 2010 - \$2,143,660).

Trustee Stockton questioned recommended changes. Mr. Phillips had looked into internal controls. He concluded that based upon the size of the Township staff, there were adequate controls. Mr. Gibson informed the Board that a third staff person has been included which allowed the Township to separate incompatible duties. Mr. Phillips noted that in the last five (5) years, there has been at least one (1) governmental unit involved with fraudulent activities. He encouraged the Board to ask questions regarding financial matters.

Trustee Sage expressed his opinion that by strengthening internal processes, there would be inherent elements of productivity.

Trustee Fruin questioned the number of years that Mr. Phillips had served as the Township's outside auditor. He believed the business relationship was over twelve (12) years long. He questioned if the Board should consider a change of outside auditors.

Trustee Anderson noted that the City enters into a two to three (2 – 3) year contract for outside auditing services.

Trustee Sage echoed Trustee Fruin's comments. This may be a prudent and appropriate course of action.

Trustee Stockton questioned Normal Township's outside auditor. Mr. Phillips informed the Board that he served as the Township's audit committee. Normal Township also has a long standing relationship with its outside auditor. The Normal Township Board did not believe it was necessary to change outside auditors. The outside auditor's fees were reasonable. Fees were generally based upon the size of the organization. One factor which may be of concern is the personal finances of the auditor. The outside auditor must be independent. Phillips & Associates, CPAs, PC has a broad client base.

Trustee Stockton recommended that Township staff take this item under advisement.

Trustee Stearns noted that a change in outside auditor would involve higher cost the first time the audit was performed. Mr. Phillips affirmed same. Several documents must be prepared. These documents involved thirty to forty percent (30 – 40%) of the audit's cost. There were new GASB standards which will require an annual review of all documentation.

Trustee Stearns stated that townships and municipalities required specialized audit services. She expressed her comfort with Phillips & Associates. Mr. Phillips was familiar with the Township and had the expertise.

Trustee Anderson questioned if Phillips & Associates had had other clients take a break from its services. Mr. Phillips informed the Board that he started his firm in 1998. Since that time he has only lost one (1) client. Trustee Anderson informed the Board that he had worked with Mr. Phillips on personal matters.

Trustee Fruin noted the size of the organization. Mr. Gibson informed the Board that Phillips & Associates also performed the cemetery audit.

Trustee Stockton noted the amount of information provided in the Annual Financial Statement. Mr. Phillips noted that the audit report continued to grow due to additional GASB standards.

Trustee Stockton addressed Note 6. Retirement Plans. He questioned if the IMRF, (Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund) funding was due to investment losses. Mr. Gibson responded affirmatively. The Township will be required to fund the pension at a higher rate as the IMRF took losses. He cited the national recession. He added that new pension laws would take effect on January 1, 2011. Mr. Phillips added that some of the unfunded pension cost was for the cemetery's employees.

Motion by Trustee McDade, seconded by Trustee Schmidt to accept the Annual Financial Report as of and for the Year Ended March 31, 2010.

Ayes: Trustees Purcell, Stearns, Hanson, Sage, Fruin, Anderson, McDade, Schmidt, Huette, and Stockton.

Nays: None.

Motion carried, (viva voce).

Mr. Phillips encouraged the Board to contact him with any questions and/or concerns.

Mike Ireland, Township Assessor, was absent this evening. He had prepared a monthly report.

Mr. Gibson addressed the Board. He had prepared a written report. This report listed various businesses where General Assistance (GA) clients had found employment. The report also contained an Agency Funding listing. He addressed the fact that the cost for prescription drugs had continued to decrease since March 2010. The Township had changed pharmacies. Generic drugs only cost the Township \$4. He had contact the Community Health Care Clinic about ways to further reduce this cost. The next step would application for free medication. He cited high end prescription drugs where no generic is available as an example. This process can be a lot of work.

Trustee Fruin questioned utilizing the Community Health Care Clinic, (CHCC). Mr. Gibson noted that the prescribed drug is not always available. His hope was to obtain the medication at no cost from the manufacturer (pharmaceutical company). Trustee Fruin noted that the CHCC received donated prescription drugs. Mr. Gibson stated that the GA staff worked with the CHCC when dealing with Scott Health clients. Particularly when expensive medication was involved.

Mr. Gibson had allowed time to address agency funding. Trustee Fruin hoped for an ongoing discussion about renewable funding. He had received copies of Mr. Gibson's letters to the agencies. He expressed his interest in Mr. Gibson as Township Supervisor performing an annual re-evaluation. The agencies should be required to submit an annual report to the Township. He was interested in an ongoing dialogue, a reporting mechanism, and Trustee involvement. There should be a menu of agencies to fund. Agency funding should be a part of the budget discussion. Mr. Gibson stated that there had been internal discussions addressing the specific services which benefit the GA clients. He cited the Center for Human Services and providing access to mental health services. The Bloomington Day Care provided subsidized day care slots. The Township had a three (3) year funding commitment to the YWCA for the medivan. Trustee Fruin acknowledged that certain agencies appeared to be a better fit. Mr. Gibson restated his hope that the Township would be able to form a partnership with the CHCC. He noted that there were community funding dollars available in the current fiscal year's budget.

Motion by Trustee McDade, seconded by Trustee Anderson to adjourn. Time: 7:15 p.m.

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracey Covert
Town Clerk

STATEMENT OF FUNDS--SUPERVISOR

ALL ACCOUNTS

McLEAN COUNTY, BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS

STATE OF ILLINOIS)

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Town of the City of Bloomington

COUNTY OF McLEAN)

OFFICE OF THE TOWN SUPERVISOR--GENERAL TOWN ADMINISTRATION FUND

The following is a statement by JOE GIBSON, SUPERVISOR of the TOWN OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, in the County and State aforesaid, of the amount of public funds received and expended by him during the period just closed, ending on the **31st day of July, 2010**, showing the amount of public funds on hand at the commencement of said period, the amount of public funds received and from what source received, the amount of public funds expended and for what purpose expended during said period ending as aforesaid.

The said JOE GIBSON, being duly sworn, doth depose and say that the following statement by him subscribed is a correct statement of the amount of public funds on hand at the commencement of the period above stated, the amount of public funds received and the sources from which received and the amount expended and the purpose for which expended as set forth in said statement.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this **23rd day of August, 2010**.

Notary Public

Supervisor of the Town of the City of Bloomington, McLean County, Illinois.

This **23rd day of August, 2010**.

WE, the undersigned BOARD OF TRUSTEES of the TOWN OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, do hereby certify that we have this day examined the foregoing and annexed account of JOE GIBSON, SUPERVISOR of GENERAL TOWN ADMINISTRATION FUND and find the same in all respects true and correct and that there appears to be a balance of **\$82,144.65** at US BANK, BLOOMINGTON, McLEAN COUNTY, ILLINOIS, and a balance of **\$968,758.43** in the ILLINOIS FUNDS Account in SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, constituting the GENERAL TOWN ADMINISTRATION FUND of said TOWN.

Bernie Anderson

Steven L Purcell

James A Fruin

David M Sage

John D Hanson

Karen A Schmidt

Kevin Huetten

Judith I Stearns

Jennifer McDade

Mayor Stephen F Stockton
Board of Trustees of the Town of the City of Bloomington,
McLean County, Illinois

I, the TOWN CLERK, of the Town of the City of Bloomington, McLean County, Illinois, do hereby certify that the above actions taken by the BOARD OF TRUSTEES of the Township of the City of Bloomington, have approved the Statement of Funds at a regularly constituted meeting of the TOWNSHIP BOARD. I shall retain a copy of this documentation and shall forward the same to the Supervisor.

Town Clerk

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City of Bloomington Township--General Town Administration Fund

Month of: July 2010

Public Funds at Commencement

Cash: US Bank Checking Balance	\$ 114,922	
Receivables: J M Scott Health Resource Center	\$ 8,215	
Receivables: Cemetery Fund	\$ 3,204	
Investments: The Illinois Funds	\$ 1,046,620	
	<u> </u>	
Public Funds at Commencement		\$ 1,172,961

Public Funds Received This Month

Interest: US Bank	\$ 23	
Interest: The Illinois Funds	\$ 149	
Personal Property Replacement Tax	\$ 11,990	
	<u> </u>	
Public Funds Received This Month		\$ 12,162
Public Funds Available		\$ 1,185,123

Public Funds Expended This Month

TOTAL Public Funds at Month End		<u><u>\$ 1,054,124</u></u>
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Public Funds at Month End

Cash: US Bank Checking Balance	\$ 82,145	
Receivables: Cemetery Fund	\$ 3,221	
Investments: The Illinois Funds	\$ 968,758	
	<u> </u>	
TOTAL Public Funds at Month End		<u><u>\$ 1,054,124</u></u>

Checking Account Activity

Checkbook Balance at Commencement		\$ 114,922	
Deposits			
Interest: US Bank Monthly	\$ 23		
J M Scott Health Resource Center	\$ 17,839		
Cemetery Fund	\$ 3,204		
Transfer from Savings	\$ 90,000		
Total Deposits for Month		<u> </u>	
		\$ 111,066	
Total Funds Available			\$ 225,989
Checks Written			
Assessor's Office Expenses	\$ 1,165		
Community Agency Funding	\$ 39,000		
Compensation (Salaries) & Benefits	\$ 82,002		
Services & Expenses	\$ 7,406		
Supervisor's Office Expenses	\$ 1,426		
Total Checks Written		<u> </u>	
		\$ 130,999	
J M Scott Health Resource Center Expenditures	\$ 9,624		
Cemetery Fund Expenditures	\$ 3,221		
Total Checks Written		<u> </u>	
		\$ 143,844	
Checkbook Balance at Month End			<u><u>\$ 82,145</u></u>

Bank Reconciliation at Month End

Balance per Bank Statement	\$ 88,709	
Plus Outstanding Deposits	\$ 37,500	
Less Outstanding Checks	\$ (44,064)	
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Checkbook Balance per Reconciliation		<u><u>\$ 82,145</u></u>

City of Bloomington Township--General Town Administration Fund

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements

Income		<u>Jul-10</u>	
Revenue			
7000 Interest		\$ 172	
7600 Personal Property Replacement Tax		\$ 11,990	
	Total Revenue	<u>\$ 12,162</u>	
	Total Income		<u>\$ 12,162</u>
Expense			
Assessor's Office			
9151 Auto Expense		\$ 138	
9161 Telephone		\$ 18	
9171 Utilities		\$ 504	
9251 Education/Conference		\$ 165	
9291 Janitorial		\$ 100	
9301 Computer Services		<u>\$ 240</u>	
	Total Assessor's Office		\$ 1,165
Community Agency Funding			
1025 GA Client Service Funding		\$ 500	
1026 Youth Services		\$ 32,500	
1027 Senior Services		<u>\$ 6,000</u>	
	Total Community Agency Funding		\$ 39,000
Compensation (Salaries) & Benefits			
7011 Supervisor		\$ 5,579	
7021 Assessor		\$ 6,847	
7031 Town Clerk		\$ 375	
7051 General Assistance Staff		\$ 22,519	
7061 Deputy Assessors		\$ 27,528	
7081 IMRF/Employer		\$ 7,173	
7091 FICA (SS/MC)/Employer		\$ 4,538	
7101 Group Medical Insurance/Employer		<u>\$ 7,442</u>	
	Total Compensation (Salaries) & Benefits		\$ 82,002
Services & Expenses			
1029 Auditing Expense		\$ 6,550	
1030 Legal Expense		\$ 300	
1038 Other Miscellaneous Expense		\$ 28	
1040 Building Maintenance		\$ 186	
1042 Janitorial Services & Supplies		<u>\$ 342</u>	
	Total Services & Expenses		\$ 7,406
Supervisor's Office			
8121 Janitorial		\$ 150	
8131 Utilities		\$ 756	
8141 Telephones		\$ 29	
8151 Car Expense		\$ 89	
8161 Education/Conference/Meetings		\$ 12	
8181 Equipment Repair/Rental		\$ 258	
8221 Computer/Contract Services		<u>\$ 133</u>	
	Total Supervisor's Office		\$ 1,426
	Total Expense		<u>\$ 130,999</u>
Net Income			<u><u>\$ (118,837)</u></u>

City of Bloomington Township--General Town Administration Fund

Year to Date Budget Comparison

Income	<u>Jul-10</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
Revenue				
7000 Interest	\$ 501	\$ 1,500	\$ (999)	33.4%
7400 Miscellaneous Income	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ (2,000)	0.0%
7450 Township Litigation Income	\$ -	\$ 50,000	\$ (50,000)	0.0%
7600 Personal Property Replacement Tax	\$ 40,641	\$ 66,000	\$ (25,359)	61.6%
7800 Tax Levy (Extension)	\$ 628,864	\$ 1,245,609	\$ (616,745)	50.5%
Total Revenue	<u>\$ 670,005</u>	<u>\$ 1,365,109</u>	<u>\$ (695,104)</u>	<u>49.1%</u>
Total Income	\$ 670,005	\$ 1,365,109	\$ (695,104)	49.1%
Expense				
Assessor's Office				
9141 Rent/Debt Service	\$ 2,600	\$ 21,800	\$ (19,200)	11.9%
9151 Auto Expense	\$ 364	\$ 3,000	\$ (2,636)	12.1%
9161 Telephone	\$ 579	\$ 2,500	\$ (1,921)	23.2%
9171 Utilities	\$ 1,593	\$ 5,300	\$ (3,707)	30.1%
9191 Postage	\$ (430)	\$ 1,500	\$ (1,930)	-28.7%
9201 Office Supplies	\$ 634	\$ 1,700	\$ (1,066)	37.3%
9211 Printing	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ (500)	0.0%
9221 Publications	\$ -	\$ 700	\$ (700)	0.0%
9231 Equipment	\$ 1,909	\$ 5,000	\$ (3,091)	38.2%
9241 Equipment Repair/Rental	\$ -	\$ 1,200	\$ (1,200)	0.0%
9251 Education/Conference	\$ 1,678	\$ 6,500	\$ (4,822)	25.8%
9261 Replatting/Remapping	\$ -	\$ 24,000	\$ (24,000)	0.0%
9271 Quadrennial Reassessment	\$ (875)	\$ 8,000	\$ (8,875)	-10.9%
9281 Recorder	\$ -	\$ 200	\$ (200)	0.0%
9291 Janitorial	\$ 300	\$ 1,500	\$ (1,200)	20.0%
9301 Computer Services	\$ 2,208	\$ 10,000	\$ (7,792)	22.1%
9311 Mapping Computerization	\$ -	\$ 25,000	\$ (25,000)	0.0%
9312 Membership Dues/Assessor's Staff	\$ -	\$ 1,500	\$ (1,500)	0.0%
Total Assessor's Office	<u>\$ 10,562</u>	<u>\$ 119,900</u>	<u>\$ (109,338)</u>	<u>8.8%</u>
Community Agency Funding				
1024 Transportation	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ -	100.0%
1025 GA Client Service Funding	\$ 500	\$ 30,000	\$ (29,500)	1.7%
1026 Youth Services	\$ 42,500	\$ 45,000	\$ (2,500)	94.4%
1027 Senior Services	\$ 6,000	\$ 40,000	\$ (34,000)	15.0%
Total Community Agency Funding	<u>\$ 79,000</u>	<u>\$ 145,000</u>	<u>\$ (66,000)</u>	<u>54.5%</u>
Compensation (Salaries) & Benefits				
7011 Supervisor	\$ 22,154	\$ 66,950	\$ (44,796)	33.1%
7021 Assessor	\$ 27,388	\$ 82,780	\$ (55,392)	33.1%
7031 Town Clerk	\$ 1,500	\$ 4,500	\$ (3,000)	33.3%
7041 Town Trustees	\$ 520	\$ 3,400	\$ (2,880)	15.3%
7051 General Assistance Staff	\$ 91,395	\$ 281,190	\$ (189,795)	32.5%
7061 Deputy Assessors	\$ 106,940	\$ 336,400	\$ (229,460)	31.8%
7081 IMRF/Employer	\$ 28,458	\$ 89,918	\$ (61,460)	31.6%
7091 FICA (SS/MC)/Employer	\$ 18,032	\$ 59,304	\$ (41,272)	30.4%
7101 Group Medical Insurance/Employer	\$ 29,922	\$ 98,029	\$ (68,107)	30.5%
7111 State Unemployment/Employer	\$ 113	\$ 2,500	\$ (2,387)	4.5%
Total Compensation (Salaries) & Benefits	<u>\$ 326,422</u>	<u>\$ 1,024,971</u>	<u>\$ (698,549)</u>	<u>31.8%</u>

City of Bloomington Township--General Town Administration Fund

Year to Date Budget Comparison (cont.)

Services & Expenses	Jul-10	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
1028 Membership Dues	\$ 1,158	\$ 1,600	\$ (442)	72.4%
1029 Auditing Expense	\$ 6,550	\$ 6,750	\$ (200)	97.0%
1030 Legal Expense	\$ 300	\$ 15,000	\$ (14,700)	2.0%
1031 Court Cost	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ (500)	0.0%
1033 Surety Bonds	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ (500)	0.0%
1034 Insurance	\$ 11,218	\$ 13,500	\$ (2,282)	83.1%
1035 Publishing	\$ -	\$ 1,600	\$ (1,600)	0.0%
1038 Other Miscellaneous Expense	\$ 136	\$ 2,500	\$ (2,364)	5.5%
1039 Debt Service - Principle & Interest	\$ 2,026	\$ 14,910	\$ (12,884)	13.6%
1040 Building Maintenance	\$ 843	\$ 10,000	\$ (9,157)	8.4%
1042 Janitorial Services & Supplies	\$ 883	\$ 5,000	\$ (4,117)	17.7%
1043 Building Security	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ (5,000)	0.0%
Total Services & Expenses	<u>\$ 23,115</u>	<u>\$ 76,860</u>	<u>\$ (53,745)</u>	<u>30.1%</u>
Supervisor's Office				
8091 Postage	\$ 2,646	\$ 3,300	\$ (655)	80.2%
8101 Rent/Debt Service	\$ 4,770	\$ 40,000	\$ (35,230)	11.9%
8121 Janitorial	\$ 450	\$ 2,000	\$ (1,550)	22.5%
8131 Utilities	\$ 2,390	\$ 10,000	\$ (7,610)	23.9%
8141 Telephone	\$ 870	\$ 4,500	\$ (3,630)	19.3%
8151 Car Expense	\$ 255	\$ 1,080	\$ (825)	23.6%
8161 Education/Conference/Meetings	\$ 132	\$ 6,000	\$ (5,868)	2.2%
8171 Equipment	\$ -	\$ 7,500	\$ (7,500)	0.0%
8181 Equipment Repair/Rental	\$ 1,043	\$ 9,000	\$ (7,957)	11.6%
8191 Office Supplies	\$ (7)	\$ 5,000	\$ (5,007)	-0.1%
8201 Printing	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ (2,000)	0.0%
8211 Publications	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ (500)	0.0%
8221 Computer/Contract Services	\$ 504	\$ 10,000	\$ (9,496)	5.0%
8241 Membership Dues/Supervisor's Staff	\$ 25	\$ 150	\$ (125)	16.7%
Total Supervisor's Office	<u>\$ 13,078</u>	<u>\$ 101,030</u>	<u>\$ (87,952)</u>	<u>12.9%</u>
TWP Litigation Settlement				
1111 TWP Litigation Settlement	\$ -	\$ 40,000	\$ (40,000)	0.0%
Total TWP Litigation Settlement	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 40,000</u>	<u>\$ (40,000)</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
Total Expense	<u>\$ 452,176</u>	<u>\$ 1,507,761</u>	<u>\$ (1,055,585)</u>	<u>30.0%</u>
Net Income	\$ 217,829	\$ (142,652)	\$ 360,481	

City of Bloomington Township--General Town Administration Fund

Checks Issued			
<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
0500 · US Bank			
07/02/2010	5176	Maruna, Thomas O	-89.00
07/02/2010	5177	Progressive Cleaning Systems	-450.00
07/06/2010	Transfer	Illinois Funds, The	90,000.00
07/06/2010	EFT	EFT-Valutec Card Solutions	-132.80
07/06/2010	5178	Bloomington Day Care Center, Inc	-32,500.00
07/06/2010	5179	NICOR Gas	-54.43
07/09/2010	5180	McLean County Center for Human Services	-37,500.00
07/12/2010	36340	City of Bloomington Twp Cemetery	3,203.54
07/13/2010	C1073676	John M Scott Health Resources Center	8,214.98
07/13/2010	20100713	EFT-Cemetery share of PPRT	4,639.38
07/13/2010	5181	City of Bloomington Twp Cemetery	-4,639.38
07/13/2010	5182	Prairie State Legal Services, Inc	-6,000.00
07/13/2010	5183	Visa	-12.00
07/13/2010	5184	Watts Copy Systems, Inc.	-257.54
07/15/2010	20100715	EFT-Payroll	-23,177.92
07/15/2010	20100715	EFT-Payroll	-1,038.87
07/15/2010	00216294	EFT-Federal Tax Deposit	-8,499.42
07/15/2010	00306002	EFT-Federal Tax Deposit	-183.60
07/15/2010	74124	EFT-IL Tax Deposit	-944.65
07/15/2010	48620	EFT-IL Tax Deposit	-19.38
07/15/2010	EFT	TASC (Total Administrative Services Corp)	-569.98
07/16/2010	5185	McLeod USA dba PAETEC Business Services	-64.76
07/20/2010	5186	Hermes Service & Sales Inc	-149.00
07/23/2010	5187	City of Bloomington Water Dept	-92.19
07/27/2010	C1073972	John M Scott Health Resources Center	9,624.44
07/27/2010	5188	PNC Bank VISA	-211.55
07/27/2010	5189	Creative Technical Services, Inc (C-Tech)	-120.00
07/27/2010	5190	City of Bloomington Finance Dept	-91.18
07/27/2010	5191	Pratt & Pratt, PC	-300.00
07/27/2010	5192	Blmgtm-Nrml Assoc of Realtors, Inc	-120.00
07/27/2010	5193	Illinois Power Co dba AmerenIP	-1,113.16
07/30/2010	20100731	EFT-Payroll	-24,456.19
07/30/2010	00268019	EFT-Federal Tax Deposit	-8,957.84
07/30/2010	74182	EFT-IL Tax Deposit	-989.10
07/30/2010	EFT	TASC (Total Administrative Services Corp)	-569.98
07/30/2010	93405	EFT-IMRF	-14,397.40
07/30/2010	5194	City of Bloomington Health Insurance	-10,925.41
07/30/2010	5195	NCPERS Group Life Ins	-128.00
07/30/2010	5196	Kaeb Sanitary Supply Inc	-141.72
07/30/2010	5197	Raney Termite Control, Inc	-37.00
07/30/2010	5198	Phillips & Associates, CPAs, P.C.	-6,550.00
07/30/2010	5199	City of Bloomington	-500.00
07/30/2010	Transfer	GA reimburse for McLean County Center for Human Services	37,500.00
07/31/2010	Credit	Interest	23.31
Total 0500 · US Bank			<u><u>-32,777.80</u></u>

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STATEMENT OF FUNDS--SUPERVISOR

ALL ACCOUNTS

McLEAN COUNTY, BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS

STATE OF ILLINOIS)

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Town of the City of Bloomington

COUNTY OF McLEAN)

OFFICE OF THE TOWN SUPERVISOR--GENERAL ASSISTANCE WELFARE FUND

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The said JOE GIBSON, being duly sworn, doth depose and say that the following statement by him subscribed is a correct statement of the amount of public funds on hand at the commencement of the period above stated, the amount of public funds received and the sources from which received and the amount expended and the purpose for which expended as set forth in said statement.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this **23rd day of August, 2010**.

Notary Public

Supervisor of the Town of the City of Bloomington, McLean County, Illinois.

This **23rd day of August, 2010**.

WE, the undersigned BOARD OF TRUSTEES of the TOWN OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, do hereby certify that we have this day examined the foregoing and annexed account of JOE GIBSON, SUPERVISOR of GENERAL ASSISTANCE WELFARE FUND and find the same in all respects true and correct and that there appears to be a balance of **\$29,535.64** at US BANK, BLOOMINGTON, McLEAN COUNTY, ILLINOIS, and a balance of **\$1,399,933.69** in the ILLINOIS FUNDS Account in SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, constituting the GENERAL ASSISTANCE WELFARE FUND of said TOWN.

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Board of Trustees of the Town of the City of Bloomington,
McLean County, Illinois

I, the TOWN CLERK, of the Town of the City of Bloomington, McLean County, Illinois, do hereby certify that the above actions taken by the BOARD OF TRUSTEES of the Township of the City of Bloomington, have approved the Statement of Funds at a regularly constituted meeting of the TOWNSHIP BOARD. I shall retain a copy of this documentation and shall forward the same to the Supervisor.

Town Clerk

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City of Bloomington Township--General Assistance Welfare Fund

Month of: July 2010

Public Funds at Commencement

CASH: US Bank Checking Balance	\$ 32,943	
INVESTMENTS: The Illinois Funds	\$ 1,470,959	
	<u> </u>	\$ 1,503,902
Public Funds at Commencement		

Public Funds Received This Month

Interest: US Bank	\$ 10	
Interest: The Illinois Funds	\$ 218	
Personal Property Replacement Tax	\$ 6,256	
Refunds & Recoveries	\$ 14,132	
	<u> </u>	\$ 20,616
Public Funds Received This Month		
Public Funds Available		<u>\$ 1,524,519</u>

Public Funds Expended This Month

	<u>\$ 95,049</u>
TOTAL Public Funds at Month End	<u><u>\$ 1,429,469</u></u>

Public Funds at Month End

CASH: US Bank Checking Balance	\$ 29,536	
INVESTMENTS: The Illinois Funds	\$ 1,399,934	
	<u> </u>	\$ 1,429,469
TOTAL Public Funds at Month End		<u><u>\$ 1,429,469</u></u>

Checking Account Activity

Checkbook Balance at Commencement	\$ 32,943	
Deposits:		
US Bank Monthly Interest	\$ 10	
Refunds & Recoveries	\$ 14,132	
Transfer from Savings	\$ 40,000	
	<u> </u>	\$ 54,142
Total Deposits for Month		
Total Funds Available		\$ 87,085
Checks Written: General Assistance		\$ 57,549
Checkbook Balance at Month End		<u><u>\$ 29,536</u></u>

Bank Reconciliation at Month End

Balance per Bank Statement	\$ 54,072	
Less Outstanding Checks	\$ (24,536)	
	<u> </u>	\$ 29,536
Checkbook Balance per Reconciliation		<u><u>\$ 29,536</u></u>

City of Bloomington Township--General Assistance Welfare Fund

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements

		<u>Jul-10</u>	
Income			
Revenue			
7000 Interest		\$ 228	
7600 Personal Property Replacement Tax		\$ 6,256	
7700 Refunds & Recoveries		\$ 14,132	
Total Revenue		<u>\$ 20,616</u>	
	Total Income		<u>\$ 20,616</u>
Expense			
CW			
6011 Groceries/Personal Essentials		\$ 9,494	
6021 Rent		\$ 20,946	
6051 Utilities		\$ 2,526	
6061 Medical		\$ 48,576	
6071 Emergency Assistance		\$ 7,438	
6081 Hospital		\$ 2,145	
6101 Transportation		\$ 3,047	
6121 Allowances		\$ 877	
Total CW		<u>\$ 95,049</u>	
	Total Expense		<u>\$ 95,049</u>
Net Income			<u><u>\$ (74,433)</u></u>

City of Bloomington Township--General Assistance Welfare Fund

Year to Date Budget Comparison

		<u>Jul-10</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
Income					
Revenue					
7000 Interest		\$ 701	\$ 2,000	\$ (1,299)	35.1%
7400 Miscellaneous Income		\$ -	\$ 150	\$ (150)	0.0%
7600 Personal Property Replacement Tax		\$ 21,206	\$ 34,000	\$ (12,794)	62.4%
7700 Refunds & Recoveries		\$ 41,259	\$ 60,000	\$ (18,741)	68.8%
7800 Tax Levy (Extension)		\$ 328,137	\$ 649,951	\$ (321,814)	50.5%
Total Revenue		<u>\$ 391,304</u>	<u>\$ 746,101</u>	<u>\$ (354,797)</u>	52.4%
Total Income		\$ 391,304	\$ 746,101	\$ (354,797)	52.4%
Expense					
CW					
6011 Groceries/Personal Essentials		\$ 36,919	\$ 190,000	\$ (153,081)	19.4%
6021 Rent		\$ 87,291	\$ 375,000	\$ (287,709)	23.3%
6051 Utilities		\$ 7,386	\$ 50,000	\$ (42,614)	14.8%
6061 Medical		\$ 89,679	\$ 400,000	\$ (310,321)	22.4%
6071 Emergency Assistance		\$ 23,251	\$ 100,000	\$ (76,749)	23.3%
6081 Hospital		\$ 10,514	\$ 90,000	\$ (79,486)	11.7%
6091 Burial		\$ -	\$ 4,500	\$ (4,500)	0.0%
6101 Transportation		\$ 10,129	\$ 50,000	\$ (39,871)	20.3%
6121 Allowances		\$ 4,031	\$ 25,000	\$ (20,969)	16.1%
Total CW		<u>\$ 269,200</u>	<u>\$ 1,284,500</u>	<u>\$ (1,015,300)</u>	21.0%
Total Expense		\$ 269,200	\$ 1,284,500	\$ (1,015,300)	21.0%
Net Income		\$ 122,103	\$ (538,399)	\$ 660,502	

City of Bloomington Township--General Assistance Welfare Fund

Checks Issued			
<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
0500 · US Bank			
07/02/2010	21676	Illinois Power Co dba AmerenIP	-265.00
07/02/2010	21677	Clothier Land Trust #H-187 %Willow Creek	-245.24
07/02/2010	21678	CDS/IL 1 Prop Assoc dba Arbors @ Eastland	-578.50
07/02/2010	21679	Quinn's Shell Service	-510.00
07/02/2010	21680	Black, William G Sr	-265.00
07/02/2010	21681	Mayor's Manor LTD Partnership (rent)	-80.00
07/02/2010	21682	MCLT #LV-21 %Redbird Property Management	-546.00
07/02/2010	21683	Shepard, Cynthia M dba ShakmanEnterprises	-265.00
07/02/2010	21684	Steffen, Allen %Young America Realty	-639.00
07/06/2010	Transfer	Illinois Funds, The	40,000.00
07/06/2010	21685VOID	EFT-Kroger via Valutec	0.00
07/06/2010	EFT	EFT-Kroger via Valutec	-9,494.13
07/06/2010	21686	Goggin, Jeffrey C	-115.00
07/06/2010	21687	Roberts, Sharon E	-200.00
07/06/2010	21688	Burns, Noelle C dba BA Prop %Val Dumser	-498.00
07/06/2010	21689	Litwiller, Douglas R & Denise M	-230.00
07/06/2010	21690	M&M Contracting & Property Group LLC	-477.50
07/06/2010	21691	Christian Faith Center	-236.00
07/07/2010	AA0012304	Treasurer, State of IL, SSI Reimbursement	4,505.00
07/07/2010	AA0012305	Treasurer, State of IL, SSI Reimbursement	5,300.00
07/08/2010	AA0047458	Treasurer, State of IL, SSI Reimbursement	1,941.90
07/09/2010	21692	First Row LLC	-222.00
07/09/2010	21693	Illinois Power Co dba AmerenIP	-335.38
07/09/2010	21694	Moore Living Trust dba Hilltop MHP	-265.00
07/09/2010	21695	City of Bloomington Water Department	-157.49
07/09/2010	21696	NICOR Gas	-63.00
07/09/2010	21697	Colburn, Candace L Ray	-265.00
07/09/2010	21698	Gunn, Louise M	-150.00
07/09/2010	21699	M&M Contracting & Property Group LLC	-265.00
07/09/2010	21700	Ray, J L Inc	-200.00
07/09/2010	21701	YouthBuild McLean County	-126.00
07/09/2010	21702	Clothier Land Trust #H-187 %Willow Creek	-216.87
07/09/2010	21703	Shepard, Cynthia M dba ShakmanEnterprises	-240.00
07/09/2010	21704VOID	Southgate Estates LLC %Wm Beal	0.00
07/09/2010	21705	Southgate Estates LLC %Wm Beal	-795.00
07/13/2010	21706	B/N--Blmgtn-Normal Public Transit System	-1,653.00
07/13/2010	21707	BHA; Blmgtn Housing Authority (rent)	-186.70
07/13/2010	21708	Hairmasters Institute of Cosmetology Inc	-5.00
07/13/2010	21709	Salvation Army-Safe Harbor & Genesis	-150.00
07/13/2010	21710	BHA; Blmgtn Housing Authority (laundry)	-60.00
07/13/2010	21711	Mayor's Manor LTD Partnership (rent)	-150.00
07/13/2010	21712	Adekoya, Tony S & Deborah F	-225.00
07/13/2010	21713	Rotramel, Robert D	-150.00
07/13/2010	21714	MCLT #176 (Greg Falco) %Redbird	-225.00
07/13/2010	21715	City of Bloomington Water Department	-422.46
07/13/2010	21716	Illinois Power Co dba AmerenIP	-408.10
07/13/2010	21717	NICOR Gas	-81.65
07/13/2010	21718	Granite Real Estate Investments LLC	-265.00
07/13/2010	21719	Thompson, Belita S & Theron S	-260.00
07/13/2010	21720	Glover, Robert J	-265.00
07/13/2010	21721	Smith, Kathleen M (Funk)	-212.50
07/13/2010	21722	Brown, Richard P	-265.00
07/13/2010	21723	Smith, Darlene dba Smith & Robinson Mgmt	-134.14
07/13/2010	21724	Southgate Estates LLC %Wm Beal	-265.00
07/13/2010	21725	Mission Mart	-552.16
07/13/2010	21726	Moore, J A dba Maple Grove Estates	-265.00
07/15/2010	21727	Secretary of State of Illinois	-20.00
07/15/2010	21728	Secretary of State of Illinois	-20.00
07/15/2010	21320VOID	Secretary of State of Illinois	30.00
07/16/2010	21729	Illinois Power Co dba AmerenIP	-1,073.83
07/16/2010	21730	Green, Richard L dba Green Apartments	-265.00

City of Bloomington Township--General Assistance Welfare Fund

Checks Issued

<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
07/16/2010	21731	Moore Enterprises dba Grandview Estates	-904.00
07/16/2010	21732	Dotson, Bernard & Rearn M	-44.00
07/16/2010	21733	Goggin, Jeffrey C	-150.00
07/16/2010	21734	Moore, J A dba Maple Grove Estates	-77.83
07/16/2010	21735	Reiners, Douglas L	-150.00
07/16/2010	21736	NICOR Gas	-487.36
07/16/2010	21737	Texeira, Lisa Diane dba Texeira Rev Trust	-150.00
07/16/2010	21738	Friedman, Elisabeth R	-150.00
07/16/2010	21739	Southgate Estates LLC %Wm Beal	-265.00
07/16/2010	21740	Foster, Benita Payne	-265.00
07/16/2010	21741	Secretary of State of Illinois	-30.00
07/20/2010	21742	City of Bloomington Water Department	-61.75
07/20/2010	21743	NICOR Gas	-257.63
07/20/2010	21744	Verizon North Inc	-19.00
07/20/2010	21745	Gordon, Jeffery E dba Gordon Properties	-250.00
07/20/2010	21746	TVAII LP dba Turnberry Village II Inc	-143.00
07/20/2010	21747	Hawks, Lula F & Carl A %Jerry Huddleston	-150.00
07/20/2010	21748	Illinois Power Co dba AmerenIP	-136.34
07/20/2010	21749	CDS/IL 1 Prop Assoc dba Arbors @ Eastland	-250.00
07/20/2010	21750	Hafner, Fred & Paula dba Hafner Rev Trust	-200.00
07/20/2010	21751	Kauffman, John J dba Kauffman Real Estate	-95.00
07/20/2010	21752	Bedi, Shan dba B&S Properties LLC	-546.00
07/20/2010	21753	Stephenson, Sandra K & Linda S Fagerburg	-200.00
07/20/2010	21754	Cub Foods #219 (Niemann Foods Inc)	-6,722.29
07/21/2010	AA0189054	Treasurer, State of IL, SSI Reimbursement	2,385.00
07/23/2010	21755	Bloomington Radiology, SC	-435.82
07/23/2010	21756	BroMenn Physicians Mgmt Corp	-2,221.47
07/23/2010	21757	Digestive Disease Consultants LTD	-64.45
07/23/2010	21758	KMB Service Corporation	-614.42
07/23/2010	21759	Kulb & Chalian Urology LTD	-24.25
07/23/2010	21760	Midstate Podiatry Associates Ltd	-53.50
07/23/2010	21761	McLean Co Center for Human Services	-15.00
07/23/2010	21762	McLean Co Neurology SC	-85.00
07/23/2010	21763	McLean Co Health Department	-80.00
07/23/2010	21764	Advocate BroMenn Medical Center	-2,145.45
07/23/2010	21765	McLean Co Health Department	-411.49
07/23/2010	21766	Illinois Power Co dba AmerenIP	-524.19
07/23/2010	21767	Babbitt, Harlan D %Valerie Dumser	-205.56
07/23/2010	21768	Hunt, Erika & Andrew dba A-List Prop %AB	-265.00
07/23/2010	21769	Leben, Frank E	-250.00
07/23/2010	21770	Pedcor Homes Corp dba Fox Hill Apts	-143.00
07/23/2010	21771	Harrell, Cris L & Deanna J	-150.00
07/23/2010	21772	Herman, Tim dba Delta Properties %Redbird	-183.33
07/23/2010	21773	McCurdy, Frank Edward	-150.00
07/23/2010	21774	Anesthesiology Consultants LTD	-291.65
07/23/2010	21775	Illinois Heart & Lung Associates, SC	-127.50
07/23/2010	21776	Jones, Christina	-127.75
07/23/2010	21777	City of Bloomington Water Department	-451.60
07/23/2010	21778	Adekoya, Tony S & Deborah F	-265.00
07/23/2010	21779	Franklin, Jesse Jr	-265.00
07/23/2010	21780	Moore, J A dba Maple Grove Estates	-180.00
07/23/2010	21781	MCLT #BREW LLC %Brady Prop	-255.00
07/23/2010	21782	Habitat for Humanity	-265.00
07/23/2010	21783	Litwiller, Douglas R & Denise M	-230.00
07/27/2010	21784	BHA; Blmgtn Housing Authority (laundry)	-100.00
07/27/2010	21785	BHA; Blmgtn Housing Authority (rent)	-406.00
07/27/2010	21786	Home Sweet Home Ministries, Inc	-1,192.87
07/27/2010	21787	Salvation Army-Safe Harbor & Genesis	-900.00
07/27/2010	21788	Hairmasters Institute of Cosmetology Inc	-10.00
07/27/2010	21789	Moore Enterprises dba Grandview Estates	-509.00
07/27/2010	21790	Walters, Lue A dba Law 'N' Jaw Apts	-114.48
07/27/2010	21791	MCLT #BREW LLC %Brady Prop	-210.00

City of Bloomington Township--General Assistance Welfare Fund

Checks Issued

<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
07/27/2010	21792	Econ-O-Wash Cleaners/Wilson & Wilson Ent	-100.00
07/27/2010	21793	City of Bloomington Water Department	-83.35
07/27/2010	21794	Frontier	-35.85
07/27/2010	21795	Illinois Power Co dba AmerenIP	-575.33
07/27/2010	21796	Gauf, Terry L	-150.00
07/27/2010	21797	Greyhound Bus Lines Inc	-43.25
07/27/2010	21798	Beard, Ernest R J Sr	-150.00
07/27/2010	21799	Christian Faith Center	-236.00
07/27/2010	21800	Jackson, Kim (Smith) dba Stone Mill Prop	-245.00
07/27/2010	21801	Ludwig, Wilbur Craig (Buddy) %AB Rentals	-40.00
07/27/2010	21802	Busick, Micheal	-150.00
07/27/2010	21803	M&M Contracting & Property Group LLC	-265.00
07/27/2010	21804	Pelhank, Wayne A dba Heartland Apt Mgmt	-175.00
07/27/2010	21805	NICOR Gas	-24.49
07/27/2010	21806	Lincoln Towers %Mid-Northern Group	-89.00
07/28/2010	3190937	BroMenn Physicians Mgmt Corp	70.85
07/28/2010	21807	Secretary of State of Illinois	-10.00
07/30/2010	21808	B/N-Blmgtm-Normal Public Transit System	-841.00
07/30/2010	21809	Clothier Land Trust #H-187 %Willow Creek	-469.79
07/30/2010	21810	Comcast	-30.00
07/30/2010	21811	Illinois Power Co dba AmerenIP	-227.14
07/30/2010	21812	TSB, LP dba Turnberry Square Apts	-428.00
07/30/2010	21813	Laesch, Connie & Michael L	-359.00
07/30/2010	21814	Endress, Ralph & John Albee	-359.00
07/30/2010	21815	Nolan Trust, Leo J	-250.00
07/30/2010	21816	Roots, Rick & Rebecca	-200.00
07/30/2010	21817	Cassell, Martha Wynn	-150.00
07/30/2010	21818	Pelhank, Wayne A dba Heartland Apt Mgmt	-175.00
07/30/2010	21819	Adekoya, Tony S & Deborah F	-237.50
07/30/2010	21820	Hafner, Fred & Paula dba Hafner Rev Trust	-200.00
07/30/2010	21821	Reed, Manuel dba Reed Apt Rentals	-200.00
07/31/2010	Credit	Interest	10.02
Total 0500 - US Bank			<u><u>-3,407.56</u></u>

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CERTIFICATE FOR PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS--SUPERVISOR

ALL ACCOUNTS
McLEAN COUNTY, BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF McLEAN)

)SS

Town of the City of Bloomington

OFFICE OF THE TOWN SUPERVISOR--ALL ACCOUNTS

That attached hereto as Exhibit "A" are requests for payment of various bills that have become due since the last meeting of the Board of Trustees. These amounts include billings that have been received from **July 27, 2010, to August 23, 2010.**

That said JOE GIBSON, being duly sworn, doth depose and say that the following bills are correct, reasonable and unpaid and should receive the approval of the Board of Trustees.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this **23rd** day of August 2010.

Notary Public

Supervisor of the Town of the City of Bloomington, McLean County, Illinois.

This **23rd** day of August 2010.

WE, the undersigned BOARD OF TRUSTEES do hereby authorize payment of the bills attached hereto as Exhibit "A". We have examined the foregoing proposed claims and find the same in all respects true and correct and that there is a verified statement from the Supervisor indicating that these amounts should be paid and that the BOARD OF TRUSTEES of the Town of the City of Bloomington, at a regularly constituted meeting of the BOARD OF TRUSTEES and by Motion agreed to by majority of the members of the TOWNSHIP BOARD, said amounts shall be paid in accordance with 60 ILCS 1/80-50.

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Mayor Stephen F Stockton
Board of Trustees of the Town of the City of Bloomington,
McLean County, Illinois

I, the TOWN CLERK, of the Town of the City of Bloomington, Bloomington, McLean County, Illinois, do hereby certify that the above actions taken by the BOARD OF TRUSTEES of the Township of the City of Bloomington, have passed this Motion at a regularly constituted meeting of the TOWNSHIP BOARD. I shall retain a copy of this documentation and shall forward the same to the Supervisor for payment within twenty (20) days after presentation of this Certificate to the Town Supervisor.

Town Clerk

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Exhibit "A"

REQUEST FOR PAYMENT: **August 23, 2010** Meeting

Compensation (Salaries)			Due	Amount
7011	Supervisor	J Gibson	08/31/10	\$ 2,789.58
7011	Supervisor	J Gibson	09/15/10	\$ 2,789.58
7021	Assessor	M Ireland	08/31/10	\$ 3,423.46
7021	Assessor	M Ireland	09/15/10	\$ 3,423.46
7041	Trustee 07/26/2010	B Anderson	09/30/10	\$ 20.00
7041	Trustee 07/26/2010	J Fruin	09/30/10	\$ 20.00
7041	Trustee 07/26/2010	J Hanson	09/30/10	\$ 20.00
7041	Trustee 07/26/2010	K Huette	09/30/10	\$ 20.00
7041	Trustee 07/26/2010	J McDade	09/30/10	\$ 20.00
7041	Trustee 07/26/2010	S Purcell	09/30/10	\$ 20.00
7041	Trustee 07/26/2010	D Sage	09/30/10	\$ 20.00
7041	Trustee 07/26/2010	K Schmidt	09/30/10	\$ 20.00
7041	Trustee 07/26/2010	J Stearns	09/30/10	\$ 20.00
7041	Trustee 07/26/2010	S Stockton	09/30/10	\$ 20.00
Compensation (Salaries) TOTAL				\$ 12,626.08
Assessor's Claims				
9151	Auto Expense	City of Bloomington	09/01/10	\$ 42.77
9161	Telephone	McLeod USA/PAETEC (Estimated)	09/01/10	\$ 40.00
9161	Telephone	Verizon North (Estimated)	09/01/10	\$ 200.00
9171	Utilities	City of Bloomington Water Dept (Estimated)	09/01/10	\$ 150.00
9171	Utilities	Illinois Power Co dba AmerenIP (Estimated)	09/01/10	\$ 400.00
9171	Utilities	NICOR (Estimated)	09/01/10	\$ 250.00
9291	Janitorial	Progressive Cleaning	09/01/10	\$ 150.00
9301	Computer Services	BN Assoc of Realtors Inc	09/01/10	\$ 120.00
9301	Computer Services	Creative Technical Services Inc	09/01/10	\$ 600.00
9301	Computer Services	NC Visa/PC Tools	09/01/10	\$ 30.00
Assessor's Claims TOTAL				\$ 1,982.77
Services & Expenses				
1035	Publishing	Pantagraph (Estimated)	09/01/10	\$ 800.00
1035	Publishing	RSVP-YWCA Senior Services	09/01/10	\$ 50.00
1038	Other Misc Expense	Township Clerks of IL	09/01/10	\$ 25.00
1038	Other Misc Expense	Visa (Estimated)	09/01/10	\$ 50.00
1040	Building Maintenance	Chief City Mechanical, Inc. (Estimated)	09/01/10	\$ 357.00
1040	Building Maintenance	Raney Termite Control, Inc.	09/01/10	\$ 37.00
1042	Janitorial Services & Supplies	Kaeb Sanitary Supply Inc	09/01/10	\$ 141.72
1042	Janitorial Services & Supplies	Progressive Cleaning	09/01/10	\$ 200.00
Services & Expenses TOTAL				\$ 1,660.72
Supervisor's Claims				
8091	Postage	Visa/US Postmaster	09/01/10	\$ 41.34
8121	Janitorial	Progressive Cleaning	09/01/10	\$ 150.00
8131	Utilities	City of Bloomington Water Dept	09/01/10	\$ 119.49
8131	Utilities	Illinois Power Co dba AmerenIP	09/01/10	\$ 667.90
8131	Utilities	NICOR	09/01/10	\$ 39.13
8141	Telephone	McLeod USA/PAETEC	09/01/10	\$ 33.13
8141	Telephone	Verizon North	09/01/10	\$ 249.63
8151	Car Expense	T Maruna	09/01/10	\$ 106.00
8181	Equipment Repair/Rental	Watts Copy Systems Inc	09/01/10	\$ 322.96
8191	Office Supplies	Quill (Estimated)	09/01/10	\$ 250.00
8221	Computer/Contract Services	Valutec	09/01/10	\$ 124.60
Supervisor's Claims TOTAL				\$ 2,104.18
TOTAL Request for Payment				\$ 18,373.75

City of Bloomington Township

STATEMENT OF FUNDS

Month of: July 2010

		Town Admin. Fund	General Assistance	COMBINED FUNDS
Fund Balances at Beginning of Month		\$ 1,172,961	\$ 1,503,902	\$ 2,676,863
Revenues				
	Interest	\$ 172	\$ 228	\$ 400
	Interest: County Interest Distribution	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Miscellaneous Income	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Township Litigation Income	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Personal Property Replacement Tax	\$ 11,990	\$ 6,256	\$ 18,246
	Refunds and Recoveries	\$ -	\$ 14,132	\$ 14,132
	Tax Levy (Extension)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Revenues		\$ 12,162	\$ 20,616	\$ 32,778
Expenditures				
	Assessor's Office	\$ 1,165	\$ -	\$ 1,165
	Casework/General Assistance	\$ -	\$ 57,549	\$ 57,549
	Community Agency Funding	\$ 39,000	\$ 37,500	\$ 76,500
	Compensation (Salaries) & Benefits	\$ 82,002	\$ -	\$ 82,002
	less payroll liability	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Services & Expenses	\$ 7,406	\$ -	\$ 7,406
	Supervisor's Office	\$ 1,426	\$ -	\$ 1,426
	TWP Litigation Settlement	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Expenditures		\$ 130,999	\$ 95,049	\$ 226,048
FUND BALANCES at Month End		\$ 1,054,124	\$ 1,429,469	\$ 2,483,593

Revenue Distribution Report

Fiscal Year To Date

		Cemetery Fund	Town Admin. Fund	General Assistance	COMBINED FUNDS
	Tax Levy for Tax Year 2009	\$ 481,982	\$ 1,245,609	\$ 649,951	\$ 2,377,542
	Percentage	20.2723%	52.3906%	27.3371%	100.0000%
Personal Property Replacement Tax					
	04/15/2010 03-2010	\$ 6,519	\$ 16,847	\$ 8,790	\$ 32,156
	05/17/2010 04-2010	\$ 4,568	\$ 11,804	\$ 6,159	\$ 22,531
	07/13/2010 05-2010	\$ 4,639	\$ 11,990	\$ 6,256	\$ 22,885
	TOTAL	\$ 15,726	\$ 40,641	\$ 21,206	\$ 77,572
Tax Levy for Tax Year 2009					
	06/07/2010 01-2010	\$ 43,412	\$ 112,192	\$ 58,541	\$ 214,145
	06/17/2010 02-2010	\$ 116,811	\$ 301,879	\$ 157,519	\$ 576,208
	06/25/2010 03-2010	\$ 83,113	\$ 214,793	\$ 112,078	\$ 409,984
	TOTAL	\$ 243,336	\$ 628,864	\$ 328,137	\$ 1,200,337

CITY of BLOOMINGTON TOWNSHIP
TOWNSHIP CENTER
607 South Gridley Street, Suite B / Bloomington, IL 61701
Phone: 309-828-2356 ~ Fax: 309-827-3667

TO: Township Trustees
FROM: Joe Gibson, Supervisor
DATE August 23, 2010
RE: Township Supervisor Report

July, 2010: The July, 2010 report with comparisons to last fiscal year is attached.

Jobs: This past month Township clients were hired at the following businesses:

AFNI
Farm and Fleet
Heritage Nursing Home
Menards
Pilot
Wal-Mart

Community Work/Education:

- Basic Life Skills: 17 Township recipients are attending Life Skills classes taught by Community Action at the Township Center
- Community Service: 36 Townships recipients are performing Community Service at non-profit agencies in the community.
- Drug Court: 3 Township recipients are enrolled in Drug Court.
- GED Classes: 6 Township recipients are enrolled in GED.
- Light Duty: 8 Township recipients are enrolled in Light Duty at the Township Center
- Youthbuild of Mclean County: 3 Township recipients will begin Youthbuild in September.
- All non SSI-pending recipients are required to report in weekly with a list of Job Searches.

Prescription Costs:

April	213 Rx @ \$54.15	Total \$11,534.60
May	170 Rx @ \$49.08	Total \$ 8,343.60
June	188 Rx @ \$35.76	Total \$ 6,722.88
July	143 Rx @ \$37.20	Total \$ 5,318.98

Local Free Dental Clinic:

The next local free Dental clinic will held Saturday, October 16, 2010.

Attached:

Annual Treasurers report
Control Policies for the Township office
Article from the Champaign News-Gazette

CITY of BLOOMINGTON TOWNSHIP
COMPARISONS in GENERAL ASSISTANCE: FY 2010 and FY 2011

	Total # Cases	New Cases	Reopen Cases	Employable		Non-Employable		FT/PT Employed	Medical	SSI Pending	Workfare	Job Search Rehab Training	Due Process	EA	TR	GA/EA Grants
				Males	Females	Males	Females									
FY 2010 (04/01/09-03/31/10)																
April	168	37	131	57	54	35	22	14	7	50	55	28	6	6	2	\$ 62,390
May	168	43	125	55	60	29	24	13	8	46	44	37	7	13	0	\$ 66,967
June	174	52	122	64	59	27	24	11	9	47	46	36	6	18	1	\$ 76,288
July	168	40	128	61	62	23	22	14	7	45	60	29	5	8	0	\$ 63,792
August	176	62	114	61	66	24	25	12	10	46	66	19	6	16	1	\$ 69,683
September	172	52	120	51	65	27	29	12	10	42	45	31	7	25	0	\$ 62,209
October	169	61	108	57	61	25	26	9	10	43	43	42	5	14	3	\$ 57,336
November	137	25	112	37	45	30	25	12	10	44	30	31	4	5	1	\$ 67,102
December	159	58	101	60	41	34	24	14	15	42	51	22	4	9	2	\$ 64,197
January	151	45	106	54	46	30	21	9	6	45	50	29	7	5	0	\$ 76,683
February	149	32	117	61	36	29	23	9	9	50	37	38	2	3	1	\$ 51,309
March	169	48	121	64	44	33	28	11	14	50	43	35	9	4	3	\$ 62,368
FY TOTAL	1960	555	1405	682	639	346	293	140	115	550	570	377	68	126	14	\$ 780,323
FY 2011 (04/01/10-03/31/11)																
April	156	41	115	58	44	31	23	18	8	55	36	26	4	8	1	\$ 55,047
May	153	43	110	54	51	27	21	9	7	46	44	25	7	12	3	\$ 67,080
June	153	66	87	52	58	19	24	12	9	45	48	18	3	17	1	\$ 52,024
July	157	67	90	45	62	26	24	17	10	45	52	10	2	19	2	\$ 57,549
August																
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March																
Fiscal YTD TOTAL	619	217	402	209	215	103	92	56	34	191	180	79	16	56	7	\$ 231,700
COMPARISONS:																
FY 2010 YTD	678	172	506	237	235	114	92	52	31	188	205	130	24	45	3	\$ 269,437
FY 2011 YTD	619	217	402	209	215	103	92	56	34	191	180	79	16	56	7	\$ 231,700
DIFFERENCE	-59	45	-104	-28	-20	-11	0	4	3	3	-25	-51	-8	11	4	\$ (37,737)
% CHANGE	-9%	26%	-21%	-12%	-9%	-10%	0%	8%	10%	2%	-12%	-39%	-33%	24%	133%	-14%

ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT
TOWN OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON TOWNSHIP
 Fiscal Year Commencing 04/01/2009 and Ending 03/31/2010

COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

REVENUE SUMMARY: Property Tax Levy 1,880,684; Personal Property Replacement Tax 143,255; Interest Income 3,720; Refunds & Recoveries 106,676; Miscellaneous Income 1,701; Township Litigation 77,098.
TOTAL REVENUES: \$2,213,133.

COMPENSATION SUMMARY: Under \$25,000: B Anderson, T Covert, J Finnegan, R Fraker, J Fruin, A Gibson, J Hanson, K Huette, T Maruna, J McDade, S Purcell, D Sage, K Schmidt, J Stearns, S Stockton, S Uzueta. \$25,000-\$49,999: D Beverly, A Coombs, P Fitzgerald, S Scudder, C Shoultz, T Turner. \$50,000-\$74,999: D Brines, B Davis, G Donnelly, C Hadden, R Hoffman, T Joyce. \$75,000-99,999 J Gibson, M Ireland.
TOTAL COMPENSATION: \$731,571

EXPENDITURE SUMMARY: Advocate BroMenn Medical Center 27,404; Baby Fold 10,000; Bloomington Day Care Center Inc 32,500; Bloomington Housing Authority 18,566; Bloomington-Normal Public Transit System 36,206; Bloomington Radiology SC 4,196; BroMenn Healthcare 23,158; BroMenn Physicians Management Corp 16,769; CDS/IL 1 Property Associates dba Arbors at Eastland 3,216; Chase Bank 80,880; City of Bloomington 104,229; Clothier Land Trust #H-187 4,472; Community Health Care Clinic 5,000; Creative Technical Services Inc 5,360; CVS Pharmacy Inc 157,766; Elias, Donald S dba Midwest Properties IL LLC 2,771; Empire Townhomes LLC 2,677; Falco, Greg dba McLean County Land Trust #178 3,666; Glover, Robert J 4,770; Hafner, Frederick J 2,904; Harris, Chase E dba Harris Properties 3,813; Home Sweet Home Ministries Inc 17,075; Illinois Cardiovascular & Thoracic Surgery Ltd 4,144; Illinois Heart & Lung Associates SC 3,942; Illinois Municipal Retirement Plan 70,127; Illinois Power Company dba AmerenIP 28,734; Internal Revenue Service 53,783; Kiley, James A 3,044; Kroger 118,154; M&M Contracting & Property Group LLC 5,808; Mayor's Manor LTD Partnership 4,596; McLean County Center for Human Services 60,125; McLean County Health Dept 4,808; McLean County Regional Planning Commission 10,000; McMullen, Timothy S 3,180; Moore Enterprises dba Grandview Estates 5,786; Moore Enterprises, Alexander Estates Mobile Home Park 3,804; Moore, J A dba Maple Grove Estates 5,031; National City Visa 3,949; NICOR Gas 5,754; Normal Township 30,000; Norris, David M 3,700; O'Connor CAMA Consulting 3,000; Occupational Development Center Inc 21,280; Peace Meals Sr Nutrition Program 25,000; Pedcor Homes Corporation dba Fox Hill Apartments 3,267; Pelhank, Wayne A dba Heartland Apartment Management LLC 20,656; Phillips & Associates CPAs PC 6,500; Prairie State Legal Services Inc 6,000; Pratt & Pratt PC 3,550; Progressive Cleaning Systems 5,700; Quill Corporation 5,648; Ridenour, Larry E 5,780; Salvation Army 15,475; Shepard, Cynthia M dba Shakman Enterprises 8,392; Southgate Estates LLC 15,010; Thornton, Joseph T Jr 4,834; TOIRMA 11,263; Verizon North Inc 6,505; VISA 3,930; Walters, Lue A dba Law 'N' Jaw Apts 9,135; Watts Copy Systems Inc 3,088; WFB Inc 2,600; Williams, Danarion T 2,865; Wilson & Wilson Enterprises Inc dba Econ-O-Wash 3,161; YWCA McLean County 30,000; YouthBuild McLean County 7,732; Zoeller, Joe T dba JD Properties 3,400. All other disbursements less than \$2,500: \$170,227.
TOTAL EXPENDITURES: \$2,131,533.

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF FUNDS

	<u>General Town</u>	<u>General Assistance</u>
Revenues	\$1,409,078	\$ 804,056
Expenditures	\$1,351,210	\$ 780,323
Excess Revenue Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ 57,868	\$ 23,733
Fund Balance, Beginning	\$ 778,427	\$1,283,633
Fund Balance, Ending	\$ 836,295	\$1,307,366

Subscribed and sworn this 23rd day of August, 2010.
 Joe Gibson, Treasurer

I, Tracey Covert, Clerk of the Town of the City of Bloomington, McLean County, Illinois, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the Annual Treasurer's Report for fiscal year ending March 31, 2010.
 Tracey Covert, Clerk

Control Environment – City of Bloomington Township

A.) Communication & Enforcement of Integrity and Ethical Values:

- I communicate my views on business practices and ethical behavior to all employees through staff meetings, which are held every other Friday afternoon. I also distribute written memos to relate such things.
- When I determine there has been a departure from approved policies or unacceptable practices or conduct that might significantly affect the financial reporting process, I meet one-on-one with whoever is involved. We discuss any deviation from policy, review the policy and agree to future actions and behaviors.
- If a fraud incident is alleged, I make the initial investigation and request a notarized statement from an accuser, if indicated. I include any outside authorities that may be necessary (police report, if indicated). I report on any ongoing issues at a future Board meeting, in an executive session. I conduct an internal audit of files, when indicated. If it becomes apparent that internal control changes are needed, then they are put into place and my values and expectations are provided at a future staff meeting and through written policies.
- I am satisfied that all current employees are honest and trustworthy.

B.) Commitment to Competence

- I consider the competence levels that are necessary for various jobs. I consider the skill and knowledge for reliable accounting and financial reporting.
- The accounting personnel are qualified and experienced to perform their duties.
- We do not bring in other accounting professionals for routine work or payroll. We retain a CPA to perform the annual audit.
- Employees are offered training.
- If I have concerns about employee competences, we meet to discuss the situation and to determine if and when outside training is needed. Training costs are covered by the Township.

C.) Governance Participation

- The Board determines compensation of all township officers (Township Supervisor; Township Assessor; Trustees) according to Illinois Statute (at least 180 days before the term begins). The Supervisor and Assessor determine the salaries for each of their staff members. The budget is approved by the Trustees.
- The Board reviews and signs the monthly financial reports prepared by the Supervisor on the 4th Monday of each month at the regular Township Board of Trustees meeting. The Supervisor's signature is notarized. The Township Clerk also signs and retains an original of the monthly audits.
- The Board has the opportunity to ask questions and is encouraged to call and/or visit the township office at any time. The Supervisor and Assessor keep the Board informed at all times. The Board has the option to request a different type of reporting, but, at this time, they seem satisfied with the reports as presented.

D.) Management Operating Style

- I refer to written information to keep myself informed of sound financial policies and procedures. I scrutinize all financial reports for accuracy and supporting information.
- The Supervisor approves all payments for GA and GT funds. This is done by a review of the supporting documentation prior to signing each check.
- There are internal controls on access to confidential information, financial records, access to the Internet. All staff must read and sign the Communication Policy of the City of Bloomington prior to being given access. Passwords are to be kept confidential. Data is backed up on the City of Bloomington Server.

- Access is monitored by the City of Bloomington IT department. Staff is required to log out of their email and Internet when they leave for lunch and when they leave for the day.
- I meet with the Comptroller regularly to review current and future work duties and reports. We discuss the reports and policies to make sure we are following current policies and procedures. I keep very involved with the office on a daily basis to be aware of what is going on, what is being spent, what is being received, etc.

E.) Organizational Structure

- I have an organizational structure in place to communicate policies and procedures.
- The Township has formal job descriptions.

F.) Authority and Responsibility

- As Township Supervisor, I delegate responsibility to individuals on my staff. The Township Assessor delegates responsibility to his staff.
- Job Descriptions are provided to staff at the time of hire. If duties change, a new job description is created and given to staff. Copies are kept in personnel files. The job descriptions include responsibilities, specific duties, reporting relationships.
- Changes to data and authorization for changing transactions are determined by me and performed by qualified personnel.
- I review and initial all financial documents. Case notes are documented in client files.
- I am mindful of work assignments and monitor performance. Should I suspect someone has more work than they can adequately handle and perform according to my standard of quality, I meet with them to determine the problem and make adjustments, if indicated.

G.) Personnel Policies

- Yes, background and reference checks are made.
- We do not have a formal training system for ethical behavior or appropriate business practices. We have formal training on General Assistance Policies & Procedures (TOI). We have formal training on community resources (PATH). We have training on QuickBooks, IMRF, FOIA, and OMA.

H.) Internal Control Communication Process

- All employees involved in financial reporting and asset safeguarding understand the duties and control applicable to their job.
- All employees are aware of the importance of financial reporting.
- Through meetings and initial interviews, I inform employees of the importance of keeping me informed. If I believe it is not being done, we meet to discuss the importance and my requirement to do so.
- All mail received in the Township office is opened, date stamped and distributed to the appropriate staff by the intake staff.
- The intake staff copies all checks received by the Township and maintains a master file. All checks are forwarded to the Supervisor. The Supervisor initials check and gives to the Comptroller for deposit.
- All payables are forwarded to the Supervisor or Assessor for review and sent to the Comptroller for payment. The Supervisor reviews and approves all payments from the General Town and the General Assistance Funds.
- Checks are written on Tuesday and Friday. The Comptroller writes the checks, attaches supporting documentation, and forwards to the Supervisor for review and signature.

- The Supervisor forwards the checks to the intake staff for mailing.
 - The Comptroller reconciles all bank statements and forwards to the Supervisor for review.
 - All non-compensation expenses from the General Town Fund are approved prior to payment by the Board of Trustees.
 - All payments made from the General Assistance Fund and General Town Fund are presented for review and approval on the fourth Monday of each month to the Board of Trustees.
 - We have an annual audit at the end of each fiscal year by an external auditor. Results are in writing and presented by the auditor to the Board.
- I.) Monitoring
- I have a daily presence in the office. I review all reports and financial transactions prior to approval and/or prior to signing checks.
 - Operating results and budget variances are reviewed at least once per month and/or more frequently as needed.
 - Identified deficiencies are addressed in a timely manner.
 - Employees can report sensitive deficiencies to me or to the Township Assessor. If they have a concern about me, they could report to a Trustee of the Township.

Joe Gibson

City of Bloomington Township Supervisor
August 17, 2010

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The ballot question that voters will decide in November:

Shall the voters of the City of Champaign Township request that the City of Champaign Township Trustees actively pursue any and all means available to them to increase the funding level for General Assistance aid to residents in extreme poverty (1) to match the current average funding level for General Assistance among townships for the cities of Springfield, Bloomington, Peoria and Urbana and (2) by increasing property tax no more than \$25 for a median-value single-family home in the first year and adjusting this for inflation in subsequent years?

Current funding levels			
Township	Tax rate	Tax on \$150,000 home	Monthly payment to clients
City of Champaign	0.0347	17	212
Cunningham (Urbana)	0.0824	41	243
City of Bloomington	0.0498	25	265
Capital (Springfield)	0.0709	35	300
City of Peoria	0.08464	42	325

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CHAMPAIGN – General assistance payments in the City of Champaign Township lag behind other comparable Illinois communities, but the township supervisor says the fund is the healthiest it has been in years.

Township Supervisor Pam Borowski said the general assistance budget, which in 2007 was running out of money, began to stabilize after her predecessor's switch to a different program. The fund has continued to solidify after her election to the position in April 2009, she said.

A proposal whose placement on the ballot was approved by township voters in April 2009 will be put to a November referendum. It will ask residents if they support a property tax rate increase of up to \$25 for a median-value home to bolster the general assistance fund and bring it in line with four comparable Illinois townships.

Borowski has said that she does not support the nonbinding referendum.

"Property taxes in this town are high enough, and we don't need to raise them," she said.

But documents obtained through News-Gazette requests under the Freedom of Information Act show that general assistance payments and property owner contributions to the fund in the City of Champaign Township are lower than the other four townships.

Borowski said the township each month serves about 25 clients, each of whom receives a maximum payment of \$212, under what is known as a transitional assistance program.

The program is a form of welfare that fulfills a state mandate that townships provide general assistance to their residents. General assistance is basic welfare that provides clients with a cash payment each month to purchase essential life needs.

The City of Champaign Township program requires that its beneficiaries be physically or mentally incapable of working.

City of Champaign Township clients are often bipolar, said case worker Barbara Nailon. Some others have post-traumatic stress disorder or attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, among other illnesses.

"Many of them can't be around crowds, and they're not capable of working in an environment with a lot of people," Nailon said. "We have severely ill people that are on the ropes."

The monthly check can stretch when a client is living only on basic needs, Nailon said. Soap, toilet paper and clothing are among what recipients might buy with

their cash payments from the township, she added.

The clients, often accompanied by their mental health caseworkers, come to the township office with no income.

"I think you could make it if you budgeted correctly and manage it correctly," Nailon said. "It could stretch."

Nailon said clients also typically receive assistance from other sources: food stamps for groceries and subsidized housing, for example. Some clients live with friends or family and pay no rent at all.

Cunningham Township, which serves Urbana, provides a higher monthly payment to a wider scope of clients, said Carol Elliott, the township supervisor there. The township operates under a broader general assistance program, which is income-based and does not require its clients to be incapable of working.

Cunningham Township served an average of about 70 clients during each of the last 12 months. Each of those clients received a maximum payment of \$243 per month.

In June, 79 clients drew money from the township's general assistance fund. The client numbers have started to rise recently, and Elliott said it could be because unemployment benefits are beginning to expire.

Cunningham Township property owners also paid more for general assistance: the owner of a \$150,000 home would pay about \$41 toward the fund, compared to about \$17 in the City of Champaign Township.

Elliott said the contrast in the numbers is the result of a difference in political philosophies.

"You can make it difficult for people (to qualify), or you can help them," Elliott said.

Property taxes allocated to the general assistance fund in three other townships that will appear in the November question are also higher than City of Champaign Township's \$17. In Peoria, the owner of a \$150,000 home would pay about \$42. In Springfield's Capital Township, the owner would pay about \$35 and about \$25 in Bloomington Township.

D'Anne Winston, the Democrat who ran against Borowski in the April 2009 election, said the township is not doing enough for its poorest residents.

"The township supervisor has the option to change the program to the point where it meets the needs of the community," Winston said. "However, with the recession going on, those needs aren't being met."

A tax increase would be the "sure way" of having funds available to help families, but Winston said that is not the only way. A "vigorous pursuit" of federal grants is the other option.

"It's not getting any better any time soon, so I think the city overall needs to loosen the purse strings because the people you help may be your neighbor," Winston said.

But Borowski said the fund is far more stable now than it had been during the past few years. The \$212 that the City of Champaign Township gives to most of its clients is higher than it had been before the switch to the transitional assistance program with stricter requirements.

As the township ran out of money in its general assistance fund in 2007, benefits were cut to a maximum \$100 per month. After the switch to the more limited program, officials were able to restore it to the previous \$212 level.

Borowski said it is unlikely that she would return to the broader general assistance program.

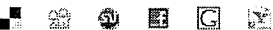
"If I opened it back up like that, I would just have a flood of people coming in," she said.

If the township stays under budget for the next few months, Borowski said the monthly payment could be increased to \$225.

"I just want to make sure that I do have enough money for people when they come in here and they do qualify," she said.

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