

MINUTES – SPECIAL CALL TOWN MEETING

**STATE OF ILLINOIS
LAKE COUNTY**

THE BOARD OF TOWN TRUSTEES met at the office of the Town Clerk, 359 Merrill Ct., Libertyville on Thursday, June 26, 2014 for a Special Call Meeting.

Kathleen M. O'Connor----SUPERVISOR

Anne Hansen-----TOWNSHIP CLERK

Phil Collins-----TRUSTEE

David Nield----- TRUSTEE

Robin M. O'Connor-----TRUSTEE

Terry A. White-----TRUSTEE

Supervisor O'Connor called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. for the purpose of Casey Road Land use site visit to observe erosion issues on the agricultural fields. All Board members were present. Highway Commissioner Mike Graham and Assessor Freese were not in attendance. Also present were Chris Slago, Open Space Field Coordinator and Sarah Surroz from Conserve Lake County. Attendees proceeded to Casey Road.

Chris Slago led the tour and pointed out the areas most significantly impacted by erosion. Trustee White asked if adding drain tile above the soil would help eliminate some of the overflow. Chris Slago said there is significant amount of drain tile underneath the fields. Trustee Nield asked if the erosion observed had occurred at the beginning of the growing season. Sarah Surroz explained every year the farmer plows over soil to the eroded areas. Each year the eroded areas reoccur and become progressively worse because the problem is never addressed. Plowing top soil over is a "Band-Aid" approach and does not actually solve the problem. During the site visit, the Board Members asked various questions regarding the erosion and discussion ensued. Approximately half-way through the site visit, Dawn Peterson of Peterson Farm joined the tour.

The Board observed the rock grade control constructed as the 1st phase in addressing the erosion.

Motion to adjourn by Trustee Nield, and a second by Trustee O'Connor. All in favor, aye, motion carries.

Time: 6:40

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Hansen
Township Clerk