## MINUTES OF THE MAY 7, 2015 BUDGET HEARING OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SUGAR GROVE KANE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

- **CALL TO ORDER:** Supervisor Tom Rowe called the meeting to order at 6:30PM followed by the pledge of allegiance.
- **ROLL CALL** was taken. Present were: Supervisor Tom Rowe, Clerk Phil Silagi, Trustees Lee Drendel, Laurene Geary, Mike Fagel, and Scott Hester, and representing the Road District, Doug Musser.
- **BUDGET & APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE SUGAR GROVE TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE No. 2015-1:** Supervisor Rowe opened the hearing by stating that the budget as presented is unchanged from what was discussed at the April Regular Meeting which is \$261,071 for the Town Fund, \$258,751 for the Assessor's Office, for a total of \$520,264. The budget for General Assistance is \$12,283, Mental Health \$107,723, and the Community Building \$174,500 for a grand total of all Township Budgets of \$814,770. Supervisor Rowe then asked for public comments. Trustee Geary stated for the record that the Assessor's budget was increased this year for the quad year assessment and that it should decrease back to near the previous year's level next year. Kevin Geary then commented that he has received numerous complaints from commercial property owners with regard to the large increase in their tax bills. He stated that he has a call in to the Assessor to discuss the increase and cautioned that if the local taxing bodies continue to increase taxes, businesses will leave for communities with a lower tax burden. Trustees Geary and Fagel also raised some of the same concerns.

ADJOURNMENT: Supervisor Rowe asked for a motion to close the Township Budget Public Hearing. Trustee Fagel moved and Trustee Geary seconded a motion to close the Public Hearing. Trustees Drendel, Geary, Fagel, and Hester, and Supervisor Rowe voted aye. 0 nays. The Public Hearing was closed at 6:42PM.