# RUTLAND TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING JUNE 10, 2008

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The Rutland Township Board held its regular monthly meeting in the town hall. Supervisor Bulmahn called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and then asked Clerk Carlsen to lead us in the Pledge to the Flag. Roll call showed the following members present: Supervisor Bulmahn, Clerk Carlsen, Trustees Tessendorf, Stelford, Brown and Schuldt. Assessor Siers, Road Commissioner Schultz, and Sergeant Grimes from Kane County were also present.

#### SUPERVISOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Supervisor noted the updated reports on the continued reduction of our levy rates over the past eight years. We've hired a new Bookkeeper, Claudia Tuley, who's an and we're happy to have her on accountant Notification from the Village of Gilberts has been received regarding their proposed TIF District of 240 acres within the Village. It is on the table for anyone interested. A reminder to the Board that the annual salary survey from TOI is in this months TOI Perspective magazine. The deadline for determining salaries for the next term of elected officials is October and the TOI information may be helpful for these determinations. If any benefits were to be included that would also need to be determined. Supervisor Bulmahn also stated that the IRA Plan has been activated for the Town. The Road has already been participating and two employees in the Assessor's office are now eligible. We will need to go before the Kane County Board for a variance for our proposed new sign due to our limited area for placing the sign. This process will probably take another 45 days. It appears that the County will not be splitting the precincts opting to do, what they call, voting centers instead. The audit is proceeding nicely and we hope to have a draft sometime next week. We also have a new landscaper for the cemetery and he seems to be doing a nice job.

Sergeant Grimes from the Kane County Sheriffs Dept. then presented the May monthly statistics for Rutland Township. The Board thanked him for the information and for coming.

#### MINUTES

There were no amendments or additions to the May minutes so, a motion was made by Trustee Tessendorf and seconded by

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Trustee Brown to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of May 13, 2008. Vote: Voice vote, all ayes. 2008-06-01 Motion carried.

## FINANCIAL REPORTS

The April financial reports were submitted in last months binders for the Boards consideration so, a motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Schuldt to approve the financial reports for the one month ending April 30, 2008. Vote: Roll call vote.

2008-06-02 Brown yes
Schuldt yes
Bulmahn yes
Tessendorf yes

Stelford yes Motion carried.

The financial reports for the two months ending May  $31^{\rm st}$  are in this month's binder so that the Board can look them over and then consider at next months meeting.

#### **BILLS AND SALARIES**

The Town bills for the month of May were the next item on the agenda. Salaries were \$8,053.58, with prepaid bills of \$258.83, unpaid bills of \$4,106.62 for total claims of \$12,419.03 for the Town Fund. There being no questions, a motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Schuldt to approve the Town fund bills for the month of May 2008 in the amount of \$12,419.03 as presented. Vote: Roll call vote.

2008-06-03 Brown yes
Schuldt yes
Tessendorf yes
Stelford yes

Bulmahn yes Motion carried.

The Road bills for the month of May were the next to be discussed with salaries of \$9,966.50, a prepaid bill of \$153.33, unpaid bills of \$6,936.77 for total claims of \$17,056.60. Following a brief discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Schuldt to approve the Road Bills for the month of May 2008 in the amount of \$17,056.60 as presented. Vote: Roll call vote.

2008-06-04 Brown yes
Schuldt yes
Bulmahn yes
Stelford yes

Tessendorf yes Motion carried.

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## RESOLUTIONS TO ADOPT THE PREVAILING WAGE RATES

There being no discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Schuldt and seconded by Trustee Stelford to approve the Prevailing Wage Resolutions RU2008-06 for the Town and RU2008-07 for the Road District establishing the Prevailing Wage rates for the year. Vote: Roll call vote.

2008-06-05 Schuldt yes Stelford yes Tessendorf yes Brown yes

Bulmahn yes Motion carried.

## EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN - RESOLUTION TO ADOPT

A lengthy explanation by the Supervisor followed explaining the four different medical plans available for the Board to consider. Following that, some discussion ensued and it was determined that the "Medical Reimbursement Plan" for both the Town and Road was the best choice. Trustee Tessendorf noted that the Rutland/Dundee Fire Dept. has a Medical Reimbursement Plan and it works very well for them. The Supervisor advised that our Attorney look over the final paperwork on any plan selected. Trustee Brown inquired as to the limits for the reimbursement plan and was told that they would need to be determined by the Board. A conceptual motion was then made by Trustee Tessendorf and seconded by Trustee Brown to adopt a Medical Reimbursement Plan, or Option 1, for Rutland Township, both Town and Road, for all eligible employees. Maximum benefits and full time hours are yet to be determined. In discussion, the Assessor noted that her employees would not be eligible as the plan stipulates a full time employee must work 35 hours to be eligible. Her employees only work 30 hours. Vote: Roll call vote.

| 2008-06-06 | Tessendorf | yes |
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|            | Brown      | yes |
|            | Schuldt    | yes |
|            | Bulmahn    | yes |
|            | Stelford   | ves |

The discussion continued on the number of hours to be considered as full time and the maximum benefit per month per employee. It was noted that since we're just starting these benefits we need to be conservative and see how it goes till next years budget. A motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Tessendorf to modify the previous motion stating that 35 hours per week is to be considered a full time employee and that the maximum health benefit per month will be \$500.00. Vote: Roll call vote.

2008-06-07 Brown yes
Tessendorf yes
Stelford yes
Schuldt yes

Bulmahn yes Motion carried.

Supervisor Bulmahn will submit this proposal to Attorney Roeser for his approval and a formal draft.

#### REPORTS BY OFFICIALS

Clerk - No report

Road Commissioner Schultz passed out his man-hours reports for April and May. He also noted that tree trimming has been done, and that our old snow plows have been sold as scrap for about \$1,600. The parking lot is being cleaned up and a landscaper has taken away all the wood chips so everything is looking good.

Assessor- No report

Trustee Brown reported that he would be absent for next month's meeting as he'll be on vacation.

## **ADJOURN**

There being no further business, a motion was made by Trustee Tessendorf and seconded by Trustee Stelford to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Vote: Voice vote, all ayes. 2008-06-08 Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

| Charleen Carlsen, Rutland To | ownship Clerk            |
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|                              |                          |
| Fred Bulmahn, Supervisor     | Ron Tessendorf, Trustee  |
| Steve Schuldt, Trustee       | Roscoe Stelford, Trustee |
| Robin Brown, Trustee         | <del></del>              |