

**RUTLAND TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 9, 2007**

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The Rutland Township Board held its regular monthly meeting in the town hall. The Supervisor 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 Schuldt and Brown. Trustee Stelford was absent. Also present was Road Commissioner Schultz.

SUPERVISOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Supervisor Bulmahn introduced everyone to Sheriffs Deputy, Kevin Williams, who then gave us a report with a list of crime statistics, citations, and accidents in Rutland Township for the month of September 2007. He stated that he would now be coming to our meetings and that he would continue giving us these monthly reports. Officer Williams can be reached at (630) 208-2042 should anyone wish to contact him.

The Supervisor then introduced our Kane County Board Representative Bob Kudlicki in attendance at tonight's meeting. Mr. Kudlicki stated that since he represents five townships he tries to come to our meeting at least once a year. He is available to answer any questions from residents and his phone number is in the book. He informed us that at a forest preserve meeting this morning they had passed a Resolution for the purchase of the 741 acres of the Bruner property on Route 31. Though they are still negotiating with the owners it looks very promising that the purchase will go through. The walls have also been finished on the new prison and the County hopes to have it in operation by next July.

Supervisor Bulmahn then questioned Mr. Kudlicki regarding the urgent need for new precincts. He stated that he would appear at a Kane County Board meeting if necessary to reinforce and explain this critical need. Mr. Kudlicki stated that this issue has been in committee and that he and the Supervisor should talk further about what can be done. Supervisor Bulmahn thanked Mr. Kudlicki for coming.

Levy discussions will begin next month due to the December 17th deadline. Budget needs from the Town, Road District and the Assessor will be discussed and therefore a longer meeting next month is expected. If a Truth in Taxation meeting is needed it will need to be published in advance. All financial reports have been filed with the County and

State of IL. Repairs and maintenance to the building have been done and the wrapping of the pipes on the Assessor's trailer will also be completed before cold weather arrives. A T.O.I. Survey and copies of House Bill 1670 about changes to the Open Meetings Act have been given to the Board for their input.

MINUTES

There being no additions or corrections to the minutes of September 11th **a motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Schuldt to approve the minutes of September 11, 2007 as presented.** Vote: Voice vote, all ayes.

2007-09-01 Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

The financial reports for the first five months of the fiscal year were the next items on the agenda. These reports were included in the Trustees binders last month so, **a motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Tessendorf to approve the financial reports for the five months ending August 31, 2007 as presented.** Vote: Roll call vote.

2007-09-02	Brown	yes
	Tessendorf	yes
	Schuldt	yes
	Bulmahn	yes

Motion carried.

The Board then reviewed, in detail, the financial reports for the town and road for the first six months of the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007. It was noted that the audit report from Siefert & Co. was clean and that we would renew our CD, which is due this month. Following this review the Trustees will have the next month to look everything over for their consideration at next months meeting. Preliminary budget discussions will also begin at that time.

AUDIT REPORT

The audit report from Siefert & Co. was distributed to the Board in their notebooks and the Supervisor explained his disappointment with the timeliness of it as well some areas of concern with their procedures. He is drafting a letter to them detailing these issues. The Supervisor noted there would be more forthcoming when and if they respond to his letter.

BILLS AND SALARIES

The Town bills for the month of September were then discussed. Salaries were \$12,396.75, unpaid bills of \$6,395.57, a supplemental bill of \$165.50 for total claims of \$18,957.82. **A motion was then made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Tessendorf to approve the September 2007 bills for the Town totaling \$18,957.82 as presented.**

Vote: Roll call vote.

2007-09-03	Brown	yes
	Tessendorf	yes
	Schuldt	yes
	Bulmahn	yes Motion carried

The September bills for the Road District were next to be discussed with salaries of \$7,381.50, unpaid bills of \$6,426.05 and supplemental bills of \$139.00. Total claims were \$13,946.55. Trustee Schuldt asked if Road Commissioner Schultz had ordered his new truck as yet? Commissioner Schultz replied that it has been ordered through the state of IL **A motion was made by Trustee Schuldt and seconded by Trustee Tessendorf to approve the September 2007 bills for the Road district of \$13,946.55.** Vote: Roll call vote.

2007-09-04	Schuldt	yes
	Tessendorf	yes
	Bulmahn	yes
	Brown	yes Motion carried

REPORTS BY OFFICIALS

Clerk Carlsen reported that she had spoken with County Clerk Jack Cunningham's office and that his Assistant Toni stated that the Town Hall will have only one precinct voting here in the upcoming Primary and National elections. Precinct 2 will vote here and 1, 5, & 6 will now be voting at the Eagles Club.

Road Commissioner Schultz distributed his man-hours report and stated that Peter Baker completed the paving on Harper Drive. Peter Baker has also given us a bid for the Powers Rd. repairs and he hopes to have it completed before winter. We should be receiving the new truck, plow, and salt spreader any time now. It was purchased through the State of IL bidding process, which saves us a lot of money. Commissioner Schultz has prepared a list of his needs for next years budget and will have it for next months levy and budget discussions.

Trustee Schuldt reported that he had checked with NI Gas regarding the possibility of getting natural gas to the town hall. They informed him that it would be a long time before that would happen.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Pingree Grove resident Pat Whelan inquired if the County was going to use the recreation center at Cambridge Homes for voting. The Clerk informed him that they had refused to have the Primary there but would have the voting for the National election.

ADJOURN

There being no further business a motion was made by **Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Schuldt to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.** Vote: Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.

2007-09-05

Respectfully Submitted,

Charleen Carlsen, Rutland Township Clerk

Fred Bulmahn, Supervisor

Ron Tessendorf, Trustee

Robin Brown, Trustee

Steve Schuldt, Trustee