

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

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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., which was followed by the Pledge to the Flag. Roll call showed the following members present: Supervisor Bulmahn, Clerk Carlsen, Trustees Tessendorf, Stelford, Brown, and Schuldt. Also present were Assessor Siers and Road Commissioner Schultz.

SUPERVISOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Supervisor noted that there was not a lot on tonight's agenda so therefore the meeting would probably be a brief one. At our February meeting, we will be looking preliminarily at next years budget with the hope of approving it at the March meeting. Our fiscal year begins April 1st and in March we will have more of our operating information for the current year. Supervisor Bulmahn has distributed to the Trustees a copy of the annual distribution he'd received from the Kane County Treasurer showing the Senior Citizens real estate tax deferral program. This is a loan program that is repaid at 6% interest and is available to seniors over age 65, with income under \$50,000, have lived on the property for at least 3 years, and have proof of homeowners insurance. Applications must be submitted by March 1st. He also asked that if anyone knew of any illegal dumpsites in the Township to let him know so that they can be cleaned up. Kane County has posted on their web site all the levies from the various 16 townships and he thought the Board would be interested in seeing them. The Supervisor also submitted, in the Trustees notebooks, a 12-month salary summary for the year of all employees.

MINUTES

There were no additions or corrections to the December 12, 2006 minutes so, **a motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Tessendorf to approve the minutes of December 12, 2006 as presented.** Vote: Voice vote, all ayes. 2006-12-01 Motion carried unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

There being no questions or corrections on the financial statements of November 30, 2006, **a motion was made by Trustee Tessendorf and seconded by Trustee Stelford to**

approve the financial reports for the month ending November 30, 2006. Vote: Roll call vote.

2006-12-02 Tessendorf yes
 Stelford yes
 Brown yes
 Schuldt yes
 Bulmahn yes Motion carried unanimously.

The financial reports for the month ending December 31, 2006 for both the town and the road were also distributed to the Board. They are for them to study for determination at next months meeting.

BILLS AND SALARIES

The bills for the town were then discussed with gross salaries of \$11,542.91, prepaid bills of \$347.67, and unpaid bills of \$3,121.76 for total claims of \$15,012.34. **A motion was then made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Tessendorf to approve the town fund bills for the month of December 2006 for a total amount of \$15,012.34.**

Vote: Roll call vote.

2006-12-03 Tessendorf yes
 Stelford yes
 Brown yes
 Schuldt yes
 Bulmahn yes Motion carried unanimously.

The road bills were next to be discussed with salaries for the month of \$11,269.75, prepaid bills of \$472.76, and unpaid bills of \$14,816.81 for total claims of \$26,559.32. As it was a pretty routine month **a motion was made by Trustee Tessendorf and seconded by Trustee Brown to approve the road fund bills for the month of December 2006 for the total amount of \$26,559.32** Vote: Roll call vote.

2006-12-04 Brown yes
 Schuldt yes
 Bulmahn yes
 Tessendorf yes
 Stelford yes Motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS BY OFFICIALS

Clerk Carlsen reported that the date for the upcoming election is April 17, 2007. She will be going to Kane County tomorrow to check on the February date for the Elgin primary.

The Road Commissioner submitted his man hours report and also noted his receipt of paperwork from the State of IL

for road improvements to the intersection of Routes 47 and Big Timber Road. This will include turn lanes, traffic signals, and the re-grading of ditches and will begin when the weather breaks. Commissioner Schultz has also received the annexation notice from Cambridge Homes and Pingree Grove regarding the annexation of 748 additional acres from Reinking Rd. to Big Timber Rd. The Commissioner and Trustee Brown will be attending the next Pingree Grove board meeting on January 15th and report back to the Board exactly what is being planned for the area.

Assessor Siers submitted her proposed budget request for the upcoming year, as it's not on the agenda for tonight, the Board will consider it at next months meeting. She will further discuss her requests at that time. The Assessor would like us to consider using Mark Rake as our web master. She stated that his rates are half what we pay to Bill Sorrentino and he knows our system. The Board will consider this after looking at his proposal. Assessor Siers also stated her need for the upgrading of one of her computers and if money for the cost was available from this years budget. Supervisor Bulmahn said that he would check into it and let her know.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Resident Bob Conroe has requested that Pingree Grove not close Thurnau Road. He attended last nights meeting at Pingree Grove but got no definitive answers from them. He is circulating a petition of residents who oppose the closing of the road and will present it to Pingree Grove. Resident Herman Faubl from Sun City then addressed the Board regarding the Huntley tax rates. The Supervisor noted that the Board does not get involved in assessment policy, as that is the assessor's territory.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business **a motion was made by Trustee Tessendorf and seconded by Trustee Schuldt to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 p.m.** Vote: Voice vote, all ayes.

2006-12-05 Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charleen Carlsen, Rutland Township Clerk

Fred Bulmahn, Supervisor

Ron Tessendorf, Trustee

Steve Schuldt, Trustee

Robin Brown, Trustee

Roscoe Stelford, Trustee