RUTLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING February 9, 2021

The Rutland Township Board held its regular monthly meeting in the Town Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7 pm by Supervisor Sanders. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call showed the following Board Members present: Supervisor Sanders, Trustees Hoffman, Keegan and Siers; Clerk Rendl, Highway Commissioner Schultz and Assessor Fritz. Trustee Flesburg absent.

Gubernatorial directives were followed in respect to mandatory face coverings and the physical sixfoot social distancing limited attendance

AGENDA

Motion to approve the February 9, 2021 agenda made by Trustee Hoffman; second by Trustee Siers. Vote: Voice vote. All Ayes. Flesburg absent. Motion carried. 2021-02-01

MINUTES

Motion to approve the January 12, 2021 Regular Board meeting minutes as presented made by Trustee Siers; second by Trustee Hoffman.
Vote: Voice Vote. All Ayes. Flesburg absent.
Motion carried. 2021-02-02

PUBLIC COMMENT

None. One township resident in attendance.

SUPERVISOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Supervisor Sanders reviewed QuickBooks cost plan for 5 years. Discussion. Trustee Hoffman questioned whether the Township was already in a 3-year plan. Supervisor Sanders will check into current existing pricing plan.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

TOWNSHIP FINANCIAL REPORTS

Motion made by Trustee Hoffman; second by Trustee Keegan to approve the Township financial reports for the 9 months ending December 31, 2020.

Vote: Roll Call Vote.

Hoffman	yes	Keegan	yes
Siers	yes	Sanders	yes
Flesburg	absent		
Motion carried. 2021-02-03			

ROAD DISTRICT FINANCIAL REPORTS

Motion made by Trustee Hoffman; second by Trustee Siers to approve the Road District financial reports for the 9 months ending December 31, 2020.

Vote: Roll call vote. Hoffman yes Siers yes Keegan yes Sanders yes Flesburg absent Motion carried. 2021-02-04

PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

Financial reports for the Township and Road District for the 10 months ending January 31, 2021 were included in the Trustee materials for review and questions.

REVIEW OF JANUARY BILLS

TOWNSHIP

Clerk Rendl reviewed the Muniweb statement with the Board for explanation of the balance due. Supervisor Sanders apprised the Board on the Personal Concept invoices for the posters mandated by the State. Discussion took place regarding the ability to download (free) the same posters online in the future. **Motion** made by Trustee Siers; second by Trustee Keegan to approve payment of the Township bills for the month of January 2021 as presented, **in the total amount of \$22,934.58**. Vote: Boll call vote

Motion carried. 2021-02-05			
Flesburg	absent		
Hoffman	yes	Sanders	yes
Siers	yes	Keegan	yes

ROAD DISTRICT

Motion to approve payment of the Road District bills for the month of January **in the total amount of \$20,680.78** made by Trustee Hoffman; second by Supervisor Sanders.

Vote: Roll call vote.

Hoffman	yes	Sanders	yes
Keegan	yes	Siers	yes
Flesburg	absent		
Motion carried. 2021-02-06			

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion / Approval Selection of Auditor for the FYE 2021 Audit.

Discussion took place. Motion made by Supervisor Sanders to select George Roach and Associates as the company retained to perform the FYE 2021 Audit. Second by Trustee Siers. Trustee Keegan voiced his opposition to using the same auditor for more than the suggested 3-year retention.

Vote: Roll Call Vote.

SandersyesSiersyesHoffmanyesKeegannoFlesburgabsent.**Motion carried. 2021-02-07**

Update/Discussion regarding Ross Unemployment Benefit Compensation Claim

Supervisor Sanders updated the Board on the process of filing the denial of claim. Assessor Fritz reviewed his basis on contesting the claim.

Discussion / Approval FYE 3/31/2022 Assessor's Budget

Assessor's Budget was formulated by Supervisor Sanders – no budget was submitted by the Assessor. Assessor Fritz confirmed that the 2022 budget was the same as the 2021 budget. Motion made by Trustee Siers to approve the budget as formulated by Supervisor Sanders **in the amount of \$160,000.00**; second by Trustee Hoffman.

Vote: Roll Call Vote.

Siers	yes	Hoffman	yes
Sanders	yes	Keegan	yes
Flesburg	absent.		
Motion caried. 2021–02-08			

Discussion / Motion re: Kane County Grand Victoria Grant application

Clerk Rendl updated the Board on the Grant submission process. Discussion took place. Commissioner Schultz discussed the necessary parameters needing to be answered. Discussion took place regarding payout timeframe and submission. Board determination that Commissioner Schultz and Clerk Rendl will act as point on the fact-finding and submission of the application. Motion made by Trustee Hoffman to proceed with fact-finding and the application submission; second by Trustee Siers. Vote: Roll Call Vote.

Hoffman	yes	Siers	yes
Keegan	yes	Sanders	yes
Flesburg	absent.		
Motion carried. 2021-02-09			

Presentation of Proposed 2022 Road District Budget

2022 Road District was presented to the Board for review and discussion.

REPORTS BY OFFICIALS

Road Commissioner

Commissioner Schultz reported on the partial closing of Reinking Road (snow) and the toll on equipment and paving as a result of the snow.

Assessor

Assessor Fritz reported that he is waiting for reports from the County and State for the upcoming tax year on the factor.

Clerk

Clerk Rendl apprised the Board on the Economic Interest Statement filings with the County – contact will be made by the County to each elected official regarding the filing.

DOCUMENT SIGNING

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Trustee Siers; second by Trustee Hoffman.Vote: Voice vote. All Ayes.Motion carried. 2021-02-10

Meeting adjourned 7:57 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Kathleen J. Rendl

Kathleen J. Rendl, Township Clerk