

**RUTLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 13, 2015**

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The Rutland Township Board held its regular monthly meeting at the Town Hall. Supervisor Sanders called the meeting to order at 7:00pm, which was followed by the Pledge to the Flag. Roll call showed the following members present: Supervisor Sanders, Clerk Carlsen, Trustees Schuldt, Payson, Bulmahn and Eaton. Assessor Siers was also present.

APPROVE OR AMEND THE AGENDA

There were no changes to the agenda so, **a motion was made by Trustee Bulmahn and seconded by Trustee Schuldt to accept the agenda as presented.** Voice vote: All ayes. 2015-10-01 Motion carried.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Trustee Payson and seconded by Trustee Eaton to accept the minutes as presented. Voice vote: All ayes. 2015-10-02 Motion carried.

SUPERVISOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Supervisor stated that the recycling information distributed should have electronic recycling is also available in Gilberts. She has recently received a notice from Illinois Funds stating that it will not be impacted by the current or future budget impasse. Therefore, none of our funds will be affected. The Supervisor also asked if any other Board members would be attending the T.O.I. dinner on October 28th and Trustee Eaton replied that he and a guest would be coming.

APPROVAL-TOWNSHIP FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR MARCH 31, 2015

Trustee Bulmahn noted that the Town Funds statement looks okay as corrected. The main change was to "other expense" which was impacted by a journal entry that was not part of the previous audit. So, the approval of these statements was pending until these corrections were made. The Road Fund looks fine except that the audit entries that were posted and the corrections that were made were posted incorrectly to the wrong account. **A motion was then made by Trustee Bulmahn and seconded by Trustee Schuldt to approve the Town Fund statements as corrected for March 31,2015 but the Road Fund is to be approved next month after the corrections are made.** Vote: Roll call vote. 2015-10-03 Bulmahn yes, Schuldt yes, Sanders yes, Eaton yes, Payson yes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL-TOWNSHIP AND ROAD DISTRICT FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR 5 MONTHS ENDING AUGUST 31, 2015

Trustee Bulmahn reiterated his position to insist on having the Accounts Payable shown on the Balance Sheet of the

Financial Statements. He also stated that he would not approve any future statements without them. With that being said, **a motion was made by Trustee Bulmahn and seconded by Trustee Eaton to approve the Township Financial Reports for August 31, 2015.** Vote: Roll call vote. 2015-10-04 Bulmahn yes, Eaton yes, Sanders yes, Schuldt yes, Payson yes. Motion carried. **A motion was then made by Trustee Bulmahn with the same stipulations as the Township Reports, and seconded by Trustee Eaton to approve the Road District Financial Reports for the month ending August 31, 2015.** Vote: Roll call vote. 2015-10-05 Bulmahn yes, Eaton yes, Payson yes, Schuldt yes, Sanders yes. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION- TOWN AND ROAD FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR 6 MONTHS ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2015

There were no questions on the Township September 2015 Financial reports. A brief discussion then followed on the Road District financial reports regarding employee health insurance and an invoice coded to the wrong account, which the Supervisor is to correct. The Board will rule on both the Town and Road September Financial Reports at the October meeting.

REVIEW AND AUTHORIZATION OF PAYMENT FOR SEPTEMBER, 2015 BILLS FOR THE TOWNSHIP AND ROAD DISTRICT

There were no questions on the bills for the Road District with salaries of \$16,049.61, invoices of \$2,912.98, auto payments of \$324.34, QuickBooks charges of \$93.55, employee benefits of \$3,000.00 and the Tighe, Kress & Orr invoice of \$5,300.00 for a total of \$27,680.48 so, **a motion was made by Trustee Schuldt and seconded by Trustee Bulmahn to approve the payment of the Road District bills for September, 2015 in the amount of \$27,680.48.** Vote: Roll call vote. 2015-10-06 Schuldt yes, Bulmahn yes, Sanders yes, Payson yes, Eaton yes. Motion carried. A brief discussion then followed on the Township bills with the Board expressing their desire for more detail on the Assessors invoices. The bills for the Township for the month of September, 2015 are: gross salaries of \$16,244.06, invoices of \$6,067.69, auto payments of \$744.97, QuickBooks charges of \$216.65, employee benefits of \$1,500.00, and the Tighe, Kress & Orr invoice for \$2,900.00 for a total of \$27,673.37 for the month. **A motion was then made by Supervisor Sanders and seconded by Trustee Eaton to approve the payment of the Township bills for September 2015 in the amount of \$27,673.37.** Vote: Roll call vote. 2015-10-07 Sanders yes, Eaton yes, Payson yes, Schuldt yes, Bulmahn yes. Motion carried. **NEW BUSINESS - INVESTMENT REPORT & ANCEL, GLINK LEGAL BILLS**

Trustee Bulmahn then gave a detailed report on the Township and Road District cash accounts and projections, but only for the principal accounts. He explained that the Town had accomplished their goal to utilize some of the excess reserves. The Board has consciously worked the levy down for the Town to utilize those reserves and have done very well at that. The Township has approximately \$90,000 in reserves while the Road District has \$200,000. The Road Commissioner has not been as aggressive in utilizing his reserves as the Town but he also has a larger budget. Further discussion continued on where and how much to invest funds for the Town and Road. **A motion was then made by Trustee Payson and seconded by Trustee Schuldt to invest up to \$100,000 of the Town Funds from US Bank with either the FDIC or Sally Mae for 1 year.** Vote: Roll call vote. 2015-10-08 Payson yes, Schuldt yes, Bulmahn yes, Sanders yes, Eaton yes. Motion carried.

Discussion on the Ancel, Glink invoices began with the Supervisor stating that she had spoken with there accounting department. They apparently are ready to turn the bills over for collection but would be willing to settle for \$4,000. They stipulated however the \$4,000 must be paid within 10 days of tonight's meeting to avoid collection. Much discussion continued between the Board and the Supervisor regarding the reasons for initially contacting Ancel, Glink and if in fact they were justified. That being said, **a motion was made by Trustee Payson and seconded by Trustee Bulmahn to call our Attorney, Ron Roeser, and inform him of the receipt of this information from Ancel, Glink, to pay within 10 days, and see if he still thinks we should not pay them or if he's changed his opinion.** Supervisor Sanders agreed to call Attorney Roeser for an appointment tomorrow. Vote: Roll call vote. 2015-10-09 Payson yes, Bulmahn yes, Schuldt yes, Sanders abstain, Eaton yes. Motion carried.

REPORTS FROM OFFICIALS

Trustee Eaton reported that the Farmer's Market people are too busy to consider having a market here at this time. He also stated that he was interested in attending the T.O.I. convention in Springfield and will meet with the Supervisor tomorrow regarding costs etc.

Trustee Schuldt asked whom he could contact at the City of Elgin about mowing the grass on Damisch Road. It is blocking visibility and he's concerned there could be an accident there. Trustee Schuldt also told the Supervisor

that he wants to go with her when she meets with Attorney Roeser.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Trustee Schuldt and seconded by Trustee Bulmahn to adjourn the meeting at 8:30pm. Vote: Voice vote. 2015-10-10 All ayes, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charleen Carlsen, Rutland Township Clerk

Margaret Sanders, Supervisor

John Payson, Trustee

Steve Schuldt, Trustee

Fred Bulmahn, Trustee

Ray Eaton, Trustee