

RUTLAND TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 8, 2011 7:00 P.M.

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The Rutland Township board held its monthly meeting in the Town Hall at 7:00 p.m. on November 8, 2011. Township resident Donna Tessendorf led us in the Pledge to the Flag. Roll call showed the following members present: Supervisor Sanders, Clerk Schultz, Trustees Payson, Schuldt, Schultz, and Swanson. Also present Highway Commissioner Schultz. Assessor Siers joined us later.

MINUTES

There were no additions or corrections to the minutes of the October 11, 2011 board meeting. **A motion was made by Trustee Payson and seconded by Trustee Swanson to accept the minutes of the November 8, 2011 board meeting as presented. Vote: Voice vote. All Ayes.**
2011-11-01

PUBLIC COMMENT

Visiting us tonight is T.R. Smith, our Kane County Representative. He lets us know what is happening in the County. Kane County has passed their 72 million dollar budget, which is basically what the budget for the county was last year. The levy is down 0.9% from last year. The new computer system at the county cost 12 million dollars. The law suit from the Circuit Court against the County Board was settled for the amount of 462 thousand dollars. Resident Bill Siers talked about the Kane county Forest Preserve meeting that was held here at the township hall on Monday November 14, 2011. The County is back to wanting to kill additional deer here in Rutland Township. Discussion continued.

SUPERVISORS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Supervisor Sanders talked about the dinner that was held at the Lincoln Inn for the Officials of Kane County. She also had the article from the newspaper about the wages for the Supervisors in the Kane county and the surrounding area.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

The financial reports for the sixth month ending September 30, 2011 for the Town were distributed in the Trustee notebooks last month for their consideration at this time. **A motion was made by Trustee Schultz and seconded by Trustee Payson to accept the financial reports for the town as presented for the November 8, 2011 board meeting. Vote: Roll call vote.**
2011-11-02

Schultz **yes**
Payson **yes**
Swanson **yes**
Sanders **yes**
Schuldt **yes** **Motion carried.**

The financial reports for the sixth month ending September 30, 2011 for the Road District were also distributed in the Trustee notebooks last month, for their consideration at this time. **A motion was made by Trustee Payson and seconded by Trustee Schuldt to accept the financial reports for the Road District as presented for the November 8, 2011 board meeting. Vote: Roll call vote.**

2011-11-03

Payson **yes**
Schuldt **yes**
Schultz **yes**
Sanders **yes**
Swanson **yes** **Motion carried.**

The financial reports for the seventh month ending October 31, 2011 for both the Town and the Road District were given to the Trustees in their notebooks for their consideration at next month's meeting.

BILLS AND SALARIES

Discussion began with Supervisor Sanders going over the total bills for the town for the month of October 2011. Salaries for the town are in the amount of \$10,597.32 and invoices are in the amount of \$5,546.90 for a total of \$16,144.22. Assessor Siers came over to explain to the Board that she has hired Mark to help her with the assessments because she was down an employee due to an accident. Also the bill was high because he had not sent a bill since August. The phone bill was also a bit higher due a service call and repair. With no further discussion a **motion was made by Trustee Payson and seconded by Trustee Schultz to approve payment on the Town bills in the amount of \$16,144.22 as presented for the November 8, 2011 board meeting. Vote: Roll call vote.**

2011-11-04

Payson **yes**
Schultz **yes**
Swanson **yes**
Schuldt **yes**
Sanders **yes** **Motion carried.**

Discussion for the Road District began with Supervisor Sanders going over the totals. The salaries are in the amount of \$11,741.62 and invoices in the amount of \$5,780.41 for total bills of \$17,522.03. A question was about the second tire bill, and the Midland Standard Engineering and Testing bill which is the testing company hired through the County to the new asphalt on the newly paved roads. **With no further discussion on Road District bills a motion was made**

by Trustee Schuldt and seconded by Swanson to approve payments on the Road district bills in the amount of \$17,522.03 as presented for the November 8, 2011 board meeting. Vote:

Roll call vote.

2011-11-05

Schuldt	yes	
Swanson	yes	
Payson	yes	
Sanders	yes	
Schultz	yes	Motion carried.

PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION ON PROPERTY TAX RATES FOR TOWN, ROAD AND SOLID WASTE DISTRICT LEVYS

This is a preliminary discussion on determining if we should stay within the cap that is set by Kane County for our tax levy. This cap is set at 1.05 %. At this time it is hard to levy due to the fact that we will not be getting all that is levied due to the foreclosures going on in the township. Even if we stay the same for our levy, the other taxing municipalities will most likely go up. Discussion continued about the three to nine months of reserves required to operate the township and to possibly start to uses that to keep the levy down. Discussion continued with the Road Commissioner talking about budget for diesel fuel, salt and labor for the snow removal which is the largest payout at this time of year. At this time the Township and the Road District will stay in the cap set by the County to keep the taxing levies close to the same or the same as last year.

OTHER BUSINESS MATTER

Questions were asked of the Road Commissioner about as new product called Slury, which is a road treatment to use to save on paving. Also about the bridge on Big Timber Road that is being worked on where they have diverted the creek, at this time we only know that the project will start in March to finish with the bridge.

DOCUMENT SIGNING

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business a motion was made by Trustee Schuldt and seconded by Trustee Swanson to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 p.m. Voice vote: all ayes

2011-11-06

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Debra Schultz, Township Clerk

John Payson, Trustee

Steve Schuldt, Trustee

Katherine Schultz, Trustee

Beulah Swanson, Trustee

Margaret Sanders, Supervisor