

**RUTLAND TOWNSHIP ANNUAL MEETING
APRIL 14, 2009**

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The Rutland Township Annual Meeting was held on April 14, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Hall. The meeting was called to order by the Township Clerk Charleen Carlsen and was followed by the Pledge to the Flag. She noted that this would be the last Annual Meeting that she would preside over and thanked everyone for their patience over the past 4 years. **A motion was then made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Assessor Siers to approve the Annual Meeting Agenda for 2009.** Vote: Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

The Clerk then called for a motion to nominate a moderator for tonight's meeting and **a motion was made by Assessor Siers and seconded by Supervisor Bulmahn to nominate Glenn Morganroth as moderator.** Vote: Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried. Clerk Carlsen then administered the oath of office to Mr. Morganroth and he assumed the role of moderator.

Roll call showed the following members present: Supervisor Bulmahn, Clerk Carlsen, Trustees Brown, Schuldt, and Stelford. Trustee Tessendorf was absent. Assessor Siers and Highway Commissioner Schultz were also present. The newly elected officials were then congratulated and introduced. Those present were: Supervisor Sanders, Clerk Schultz, Trustees Schuldt, Whalen, Schultz and Swanson along with Highway Commissioner Schultz and Assessor Siers. Moderator Morganroth then thanked all those who stepped up to be involved in their community by running for office and wished them well in their endeavors.

There were no additions or corrections to the Annual Meeting Minutes from 2008 so, **a motion was made by resident Bob Stuehler and seconded by Trustee Schuldt to approve the minutes of the 2008 Annual Meeting.** Vote: Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

The Moderator then called for a motion to adopt the date and time for the 2010 Annual Meeting. **A motion was made by Trustee Schuldt and seconded by Assessor Siers to adopt April 13, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. as the date and time for the 2010 Annual Meeting.** Vote: Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Bulmahn then read the annual financial statements for both the Town and Road from April 1, 2008 to March 31, 2009. Hard copies have been distributed to everyone attending tonight's meeting and are required by state statute to be presented annually. He noted that the general financial condition of the township is healthy, we have no long-term debt, and we haven't borrowed any money in 8 years. He then proceeded to read the reports and stated that the Board has been very frugal in their spending and had made a conscious effort to draw down the cash balances. **A motion was then made by Trustee Schuldt and seconded by Bob Stuehler to approve the Treasurer's Report for the Town and Road for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2009.** Vote: Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Highway Commissioner Jay Schultz then gave his report. He thanked everyone for coming and noted some of the accomplishments over the past year. He listed all the roads that had been paved, the crack filling completed, extensive tree trimming and chipping that was done, and the recently finished project with the County, Plato Township, Elgin Township and Rutland Township for a flooding problem off Coombs Road. Water had backed up and affected the Wildwood West Subdivision. These four governing bodies were able to get together and helped alleviate that existing water problem. Commissioner Schultz then encouraged everyone to look at the newly constructed Rutland Township sign his department has built in front of the building, as he's very proud of it. A new floor has also been poured in the far east end of the building, as well as heating installed, thereby making it a space for keeping equipment warm and ready for use in cold weather. Paving of our 1/2-mile portion of Binnie Road is being planned for 2009. More crack filling is also scheduled and we've ordered a new plow salt truck. Having started the moving permits program 3 years ago, which requires construction companies to get a permit when moving any heavy equipment on the Township roads, the Road District has taken in over \$23,000 in revenue, which goes into the road fund. **A motion was then made by Supervisor Bulmahn and seconded by Trustee Brown to approve the report by the Highway Commissioner.** Vote: Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Bulmahn then commented on the newly acquired maps from Kane County. They are color coded, easily read, and updated from the old ones. There are also new precinct

maps, which are very helpful. A brief discussion followed on voting problems during the last election. A levy history was also distributed to everyone tonight for the years 2000-2009 to show the Board's frugality over the past 8 years. Trustee Schuldt commented on the fine job the Supervisor has done over the years, with Trustee Brown concurring and congratulating the new Supervisor Margaret Sanders.

Assessor Jan Siers then reported that last year there were 11,058 parcels, this year we gained quite a few and there are 11,681. Our EAV last year was 645,912,351 and this year it's 734,511,309. Rutland Township is one of the few townships in Kane County that did see some growth. She then thanked the Board for listening to her opinions over the past 4 years. They didn't always agree but they did listen. **A motion was then made by Bob Stuehler and seconded by Pat Whalen to approve the Assessor's report.** Vote: Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Some discussion followed with resident Ed Kapelak on a new road in Eva Estates, which is apparently causing some water problems. The Moderator suggested that he contact the Water Resource Department and Phil Bus at Kane County.

A motion was then made by Trustee Schuldt and seconded by resident Bill Siers to adjourn the 2009 Rutland Township Annual Meeting at 7:50 p.m. Vote: Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charleen Carlsen
Rutland Township Clerk