RUTLAND TOWNSHIP ANNUAL MEETING
APRIL 8, 2008

The Rutland Township Annual Meeting was held on April 8, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Hall. The Township Clerk Charleen Carlsen welcomed everyone to the meeting and then asked for a moment to remember a former Township Trustee who had recently passed away, Charles Swanson. He was not only a Township Trustee but also Chairman of the Gilberts Zoning Board. The Clerk stated that he was honest, hardworking and dedicated to the community and that he will be missed. A moment of silence was then observed in his honor and was followed by the Pledge to the Flag. **A motion was made by Trustee Schuldt and seconded by Trustee Brown to approve the Annual Meeting Agenda for 2008.** Vote: Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

The Clerk then called for a motion to nominate a moderator and **a motion was made by Assessor Siers and seconded by Trustee Schuldt 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 as Moderator.

Roll call showed the following members present: Supervisor Fred Bulmahn, Clerk Charleen Carlsen, Trustees Ron Tessendorf, Robin Brown, Steven Schuldt, and Roscoe Stelford. Also present were Assessor Jan Siers and Highway Commissioner Howard Schultz.

Moderator Morganroth then accepted **a motion made by Supervisor Bulmahn and seconded by Assessor Siers to approve the minutes of the Annual Meeting of April 10, 2007.** Vote: Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

The Moderator then asked for a motion to adopt the date of April 14, 2009 and the time of 7:00p.m.for next years annual meeting. **The motion was made by resident Beulah Swanson and seconded by Trustee Brown to adopt the date of April 14, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. for next years Annual Town Meeting.** Vote: Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Bulmahn then gave the Treasurer's Report for fiscal 2008-2009. He reported on the fiscal well being of both the Town and Road and noted that copies of these reports are available here tonight. He stated that the Township has changed auditors this year. The new firm is

Tighe, Kress and Orr CPA's in Elgin and come highly recommended by other Townships. He further stated that the Township is in excellent financial condition with no long-term debt. The Township Board and the Department Heads receive regular monthly financial reports during the year so that they can see the previous year's actual budget and to also compare the progress of the current year. A couple of the highlights of the current fiscal year is that we switched our checking and savings money market accounts in the town fund to what is called the Illinois Funds. It is a pool of Illinois government agencies that pool their money for more buying power and as a result we get a little higher interest rates. By doing this we were able to pick up about $4,000 in interest income. We've also purchased a new truck, bought computers for both the Town and Road, and were still able to stay within the collar county cap and still provide the necessary services for the township. The rates that appear on your tax bill for the Rutland Township portion have continued to go down over the past seven years, which pleases all of us. We started the year with combined cash balances of $563,975.00, collected property taxes $638,340.00, income from other smaller sources giving us total revenue for both Town and Road of $702,475.00. We spent $106,000.00 for officials and administrative salaries, $125,954.00 was spent for the road crew expense, $95,000.00 in vendor expenses, insurance costs of $17,374.00, capitol equipment purchases totaled $91,400.00 The Assessor's office expenses were $114,051.00 for a combined grand total in township expenses of $643,709.00 and ending with a cash balance of $613,138.00. One of the fiscal highlights for the year was our budgeting of deficits in order to reduce our cash reserves. We are fortunate in that we're fiscally sound. There being no questions, **a motion was made by Trustee Tessendorf and seconded by Trustee Schuldt to accept the Treasurer's report.** Vote: Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Highway Commissioner Schultz thanked everyone for coming and then reported that roads have been blacktopped, an entire subdivision has been repaved, patching has been completed on I90 and Powers Rd., and the Township parking lot was also seal coated. Rewiring and new fixtures have been completed in the newer addition of the Township garage. A new 2008 International Plow Truck, with a V box, salt spreader and plow, have also been purchased. We've had extra income from permits totaling $6,000.00 as well as an additional $7,000.00 from Pingree Grove for grading and

plowing of their roads. This $13,000.00 was above our regular budget. Looking forward to 2008 our paving projects are going to be: Powers Rd from I90 to Big Timber Rd, finish the Landings Subdivision, we'll pave the Settlers Hill Subdivision as well as Little Acres including Mary Lane and Mary Ct. All this paving will cost over $200,000.00. Since the winter weather has been so hard on the roads we've decided to put the money we would have used for new equipment into resurfacing the roads. In September we're going to be doing crack filling which may give another 5 to 7 years of life to the asphalt roads. The Commissioner stated that he was anxious to begin work on the roads and hoped that winter was over. He then presented his report to the Clerk and **a motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Supervisor Bulmahn to accept the report as presented.** Vote: Voice vote, all aye, motion carried.

The Supervisor had nothing further to report. Trustee Brown had no report but expressed his pleasure to work with Supervisor Bulmahn and Clerk Carlsen. Trustee Schuldt commended the Highway Commissioner for doing a good job and there were no other Trustee reports.

Assessor Jan Siers reported that last year she had projected we would have 2,300 new parcels in Rutland but we actually had 2,219 so she wasn't too far off. We're now up to 11,058 parcels in Rutland. When she first took office in 1993 we had approximately 1,100 parcels. Our assessed value for 2007 is $646,952,032 and the number of sales in 2007 was 14,086. We have over $8,000,000 in new construction and we now have parts of Algonquin, Carpentersville, Elgin, Gilberts, Hampshire, Huntley, and Pingree Grove within the boundaries of Rutland Township. The Assessors budget in 1993 was just under $11,000 and we're now at $130,000. The Township is growing with some declines in sales but not in the assessed valuation. There may be some in 2008 but not at this time.

Lieutenant Kevin Williams from the Kane County Sheriffs Office was present and presented his stats for Rutland Township for the past month and thanked the Highway Commissioner for his good work on plowing over the winter. He also reported on the National Night Out event to commemorate the opening of the new Court House. It will be held on Aug. 5, 2008. He also suggested that if anyone didn't already have a Neighborhood Watch in his or her

community they could call him at (630) 208-2042 and he would help them start one.

Resident Ken Kozey from Sun City Huntley thanked everyone on the Board for all their good work on the budget. He asked that we use the excess in the budget to address the transportation issues for seniors, and the handicapped by utilizing the "Dial a Ride" service. Supervisor Bulmahn responded that the cost is prohibitive in that we'd have to provide transportation for all of Rutland, not just Sun City, and therefore not feasible.

There being no further business **a motion was made by Trustee Schuldt and seconded by resident Bill Siers to adjourn the 2008 Rutland Township Annual Meeting at 7:35 p.m.** Vote: Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charleen Carlsen
Rutland Township Clerk