The Rutland Township Board held its regular monthly meeting in the town hall. Supervisor Bulmahn called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and then led us in the Pledge to the Flag. Roll call showed the following members present: Supervisor Bulmahn, Clerk Carlsen, Trustees Tessendorf, Stelford, Brown and Schuldt. Assessor Siers and Road Commissioner Schultz were also present.

SUPERVISOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Supervisor then went briefly through the Agenda and asked that one of the two items tabled at last months meeting, the employees health insurance benefit plan, be tabled till the June meeting. He's not prepared to make a recommendation at this time and needs the time to look over additional insurance proposals. He is however prepared to make a recommendation on the sign. We also have a housekeeping issue on the budget, The Consent Resolution, which the Board is being asked to sign so that we can file our Budget with the County Clerk. The only thing remaining was the detail in the Assessor's Budget and after working with the Assessor this month it is now ready for the Board's consent. Also, regarding the agenda, "Other Business" was inadvertently omitted from it and the Supervisor asks that it be inserted following the Consent Resolution. **A motion was then made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Schuldt to amend the agenda as requested.** Vote: Voice vote, all ayes.

2008-05-01 Motion carried.

Supervisor Bulmahn continued his announcements noting the two articles in the Courier News, which showed that Rutland Township has the lowest real estate taxes in Kane County. It also noted that most residents in Rutland should have a lower tax bill from last years.

The salaries for the next newly elected officials i.e. the Supervisor, Clerk, Assessor and the Road Commissioner are to be set by the November meeting. Township Officials of Illinois is conducting surveys on these salaries statewide and they should be completed shortly for our information. These salary determinations are required by state statute so Trustees Brown and Tessendorf volunteered to look at the data and bring their recommendations back to the Board.

Following notification that the Prevailing Wage Ordinances will be presented at next months meeting, the Supervisor

gave a lengthy dissertation on his recent meetings with Kane County regarding the proposed splitting of various precincts. He also stated that the audit is underway and that the Auditors were here at the office doing the fieldwork.

MINUTES

There being no questions or comments on the minutes of the April 8th meeting, **a motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Stelford to accept the minutes of the April 8, 2008 Regular Board Meeting as presented.** Vote: Voice vote, all ayes.
2008-05-02 Motion carried.

FINANCIALS

The financial statements for the month ending April 30, 2008 are in the Board members binders this month and are for their consideration at next months meeting. A brief discussion followed. The financials for the month ending March 31, 2008 were in last months binders for the Board to consider and there were no questions on them so, **a motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Tessendorf to approve the financial reports for the Town and the Road for the month ending March 31, 2008.** Vote: Roll call vote.

2008-05-03	Brown	yes	
	Tessendorf	yes	
	Stelford	yes	
	Schuldt	yes	
	Bulmahn	yes	Motion carried.

BILLS AND SALARIES

The Town bills for the month of April were then discussed. Salaries were $11,611.58, unpaid bills of $12,420.13 with total claims for the month of $24,031.71. Following the discussion **a motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Schuldt to approve the Town bills for the month of April 20008 totaling $24,031.71 as presented.** Vote: Roll call vote.

2008-05-04	Brown	yes	
	Schuldt	yes	
	Bulmahn	yes	
	Tessendorf	yes	
	Stelford	yes	Motion carried.

Assessor Siers has submitted a request for a new canopy on her trailer. At a cost of $894.00 the Supervisor asked that we include this in next years budget.

The Road bills for the month of April were next to be discussed with a supplemental bill of $10,700.00, the Roads

portion of the Toirma Insurance, with salaries of $16,416.50, unpaid bills of $17,094.58 and total claims of $33,511.08. Following some discussion, **a motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Tessendorf to approve the Road District bills for the month of April 2008 totaling $33,511.08 plus the supplemental bill of $10,700.00.** Vote: Roll call vote.

2008-05-05	Brown	yes	
	Tessendorf	yes	
	Stelford	yes	
	Bulmahn	yes	
	Schuldt	yes	Motion carried.

ACTIONS TABLED FROM APRIL MEETING

Discussion ensued on the proposal from Insignia Signs for the projected township sign with an estimated cost of $2,265.00. This would be a non-illuminated sign with a complete cost, including masonry and graphics at the top, of approximately $3,000 to $3,500. To get the project started a 50% deposit is needed. Trustee Tessendorf suggested that since we had originally allocated $5,000 for the sign that we take the balance left and use it for the new canopy on the Assessor's office. Trustee Brown concurred and Trustee Tessendorf asked that the Board consider this option. Following additional discussion **a motion was made by Trustee Stelford and seconded by Trustee Brown to approve the payment of the sign as presented from Insignia Signs for a total of $2,265.00.** Vote: Roll call vote.

2008-05-06	Stelford	yes	
	Brown	yes	
	Schuldt	yes	
	Bulmahn	yes	
	Tessendorf	yes	Motion carried.

The second item that was tabled from last month was the Health Benefit for employee's proposal. The Supervisor submitted some new proposals from Attorney Ron Roeser, which is the coverage the Fire Dept. uses. There is also a second option from Holley Insurance Co., which is used by other Townships, so the Board can look over and consider them for next months meeting. There could possibly be four employees to cover in Town and Road with $11,000 allocated for the Road District and $3,000 for the Assessor. Supervisor Bulmahn will do further research for next months meeting.

CONSENT RESOLUTION-TOWN & ROAD FUND BUDGET (ASSESOR LINE ITEM DETAILS)

This Resolution contains the line item details not yet completely finalized at the March 11,2008 Budget Hearings. They have now been resolved so, **a motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Stelford to approve the Consent Resolution for the finalized Town and Road Budgets for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2009.** Vote: Roll call vote,

2008-05-07	Brown	yes	
	Stelford	yes	
	Tessendorf	yes	
	Schuldt	yes	
	Bulmahn	yes	Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Supervisor then noted that the Town Fund and the Road Fund are now operating under two federal identification numbers. As a result we need separate Fidelity Retirement Plans for both entities. Since the Road already has one we need a separate one for the Town as well. **A motion was then made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Schuldt to authorize the Supervisor to work with Fidelity Investments to form an IRA Benefit Plan for the Town Fund identical to the Road Fund under our federal identification number.** Vote: Roll call vote.

2008-05-08	Brown	yes	
	Schuldt	yes	
	Bulmahn	yes	
	Tessendorf	yes	
	Stelford	yes	Motion carried.

REPORTS BY OFFICIALS

Road Commissioner Schultz reported that Plote was the lowest bidder for the road paving to be done this year. Also the cost for gravel to do our shoulder work has doubled since Vulcan bought out Elmer Larson. The gravel needs to be replaced due to the long hard winter. Assessor Siers had no report.

Clerk Carlsen Reported that our General Assistance man had gotten a job and is no longer with us. She also noted that new recycling pamphlets from Kane County have been received and are available on the table for anyone who’s interested.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, **a motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Tessendorf to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m.** Vote: Voice vote, all ayes, 2008-05-09 Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Charleen Carlsen, Rutland Township Clerk

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Fred Bulmahn, Supervisor Steve Schuldt, Trustee

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Ron Tessendorf, Trustee Robin Brown, Trustee

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Roscoe Stelford, Trustee