RUTLAND TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 9, 2008

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 asked Trustee Schuldt to lead us in the Pledge to the Flag. Roll call showed the following members present: Supervisor Bulmahn, Clerk Carlsen, Trustees Tessendorf, Stelford, Schuldt and Brown. Also present was Assessor Siers with Road Commissioner Schultz arriving at 8:00 p.m.

SUPERVISOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Supervisor noted that he and Clerk Carlsen had attended the Kane County Zoning Board of Appeals meeting on August 28th to try and get a variance for the proposed new sign. The request was unanimously granted so we can start the masonry and should receive the frame in 2-3 weeks. We've also received our annual notice of extension limitation for collar county caps for tax levy purposes for 2008. The Consumer Price Index or CPI is 4.1%. This is up a little from last year and we'll be getting into this in a few months when we do our levy.

MINUTES

There were no additions or corrections to the August minutes so, **a motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Stelford to approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of August 12,2008 as presented.** Vote: Voice vote, all ayes.
2008-09-01 Motion carried.

FINANCIALS

The financial reports for the 4 months ending July 31, 2008 were submitted in last month's binders so the Trustees have had time to look them over. Therefore, there were no questions, **a motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Tessendorf to approve the financial reports for the 4 months ending July 31, 2008 as presented.** Vote: Roll call vote.
2008-09-02

Brown	yes	
Tessendorf	yes	
Stelford	yes	
Schuldt	yes	
Bulmahn	yes	Motion carried unanimously.

The financial reports for the 5 months ending August 31, 2008 are being submitted to Board members in this month's notebooks. They will then have time to look them over for consideration at the October meeting. A brief discussion followed with the Supervisor going over some of the various accounts for both the town and the road.

BILLS ANS SALARIES
The bills for the town for August were the next item on the agenda with salaries of $13,652.48, unpaid bills of $8,376.98 and total claims of $22,029.46. Following some discussion, **a motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Schuldt to approve the town bills for the month of August 2008 in the amount of $22,029.46 as presented.** Vote: Roll call vote.
2008-09-03

Brown	yes
Schuldt	yes
Bulmahn	yes
Tessendorf	yes
Stelford	yes Motion carried unanimously.

The August bills for the road were then presented with salaries of $9,447.50, medical reimbursements of $1,776.84,unpaid bills of $3,704.59, total invoices of $5,481.43 and total claims of $14,928.93. There being no questions, **a motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Stelford to approve the bills for the month of August 2008 in the amount of $14,928.93 as presented.** Vote: Roll call vote.
2008-09-04

Brown	yes
Stelford	yes
Tessendorf	yes
Schuldt	yes
Bulmahn	yes Motion carried unanimously.

PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION-SALARY REVIEW COMMITTEE
The salary discussion began with the Supervisor noting that the salary determinations for the elected officials are for June 2009 thru May 2013 and the Assessors salary for January 2010 thru December 2013. They will need to be determined by November 19th. He also asked that the committee report the methods used and the basis for its recommendations. If more time is needed to make their determinations we can table this till the October meeting. Trustee Brown, one of the committee members, then gave

their recommendations. They are: The Supervisor, Clerk, Trustees and Road Commissioner's salary would remain the same for the next 4 years. Their annual salaries would be the Supervisor at $21,000, the Clerk at $10,000, Trustees at $100 per meeting and $30,000 for the Road Commissioner. The Assessor's annual salary would be set at $34,500. All of these, except the Trustees, would get a cost of living increase annually determined by the County. The committee has reached a consensus on this and these are their recommendations. Trustee Tessendorf, the other salary committee member, then explained the reasons and methods used for the recommendations. The committee determined that the highway department and the assessor's office are both part time positions with hired staff and as such are primarily administrative. These determinations are not final as the committee is hoping to receive more feedback from the Road Commissioner and the Assessor's office. They, however, do not see the workloads increasing in either of these offices. Further discussion ensued with both the Assessor and the Road Commissioner giving their input on the salary recommendations. The Salary Committee urged the Road Commissioner and the Assessor to submit additional data should they disagree with the committees recommendations. The Board agreed to continue the discussion at the October meeting. **A motion was then made by Trustee Schuldt and seconded by Trustee Stelford to table the salary discussions till the October 14th meeting.** 2008-09-05

REPORTS BY OFFICIALS

Clerk Carlsen noted that early voting information is available on the front table and will begin October 13th at the County offices. Other sites beginning on the 14th are listed there as well. The last day to early vote is October 30th. The Clerk also invited everyone to attend the Rutland Township Historical Society's program at St. Peters Lutheran Church in Pingree Grove on September 26th at 7:30 p.m. It is presented in cooperation with the Stelford family and will provide much information on the history of Rutland Township.

Road Commissioner Schultz submitted his man-hours report and said that his department has been busy with maintenance and crack filling throughout the Township.

ADJOURN

There being no further business **a motion was made by Trustee Schuldt and seconded by Trustee Brown to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m.** Vote: All ayes, motion carried. 2008-09-06

Respectfully Submitted,

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Charleen Carlsen, Rutland Township Clerk

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Fred Bulmahn, Supervisor Ron Tessendorf, Trustee

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Steve Schuldt, Trustee Robin Brown, Trustee

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Roscoe Stelford, Trustee