RUTLAND TOWNSHIP
BUDGET HEARING FOR ROAD DISTRICT FUND
JUNE 11, 2013

The Rutland Township Board held its Budget Hearing for the Road District Fund, at the town hall, on Tuesday, June 11, 2013, at 7:00 p.m. Supervisor Sanders led everyone in the Pledge to the Flag and then called the meeting to order. Roll call showed the following members present: Supervisor Sanders, Clerk Iverson, Trustees Schuldt, Payson, Bulmahn and Carlsen. Also present were Assessor Siers and Highway Commissioner Schultz.

A motion was made by Trustee Carlsen and seconded by Trustee Payson to open the Budget Hearing Meeting for the Road District Fund. Vote: Voice vote, all yes.

Trustee Carlsen asked Highway Commissioner Schultz about the applied for Grant, and he said he doesn't think he will get it. Other Trustees asked about the Grant and the road boundaries. Highway Commissioner Schultz said the Grant has to be changed because it was written wrong.

A question was asked about drug/alcohol testing by Trustee Carlsen. The Highway Commissioner said he could not give us that information. It was stated that the previous Clerk had stated that there had been no testing while she was in office. Supervisor Sanders said none had been done since she has been Supervisor. An Agenda item is being created for the next meeting to find out why there has been no drug/alcohol testing, in, at least, the last four years.

Trustees discussed and asked questions regarding various line items in the Budget, and surrounding towns for which we do work, and why they don't pay us. Highway Commissioner Schultz said they haven't paid us because they do things for us and we do things for them. He stated we trade favors. Trustee Schuldt mentioned that we will lose a few thousand dollars. The Trustee questioned why we have an Intergovernmenal agreement with them but don't get paid?

Trustee Bulmahn questioned the payroll, and why the payroll tax totals increased 60%. and what the vehicle amounts were for. A public comment was made requesting a copy of the Budget so they could see what was being discussed, and had questions about the raise in payroll. The Supervisor made copies so the public could see what was being discussed and questioned. There was discussion from the Highway Commissioner and his Attorney that the Trustees didn't have the right to reduce line items, but that they could possibly remove a line item.

A motion was made to approve the Road District Budget as presented, by Trustee Payson and seconded by Supervisor Sanders. **Roll Call Vote:**
2013-06-01 Payson yes, Sanders yes, Schuldt no, Carlsen yes, Bulmahn no. Motion carried.

With no further discussion on the Road District Budget a motion was made to close the Road District Budget Hearing at 7:56 p.m. **Vote: voice vote. All yes.**

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Linda K. Iverson, Clerk

Margaret Sanders, Supervisor

Fred Bulmahn, Trustee

Charleen Carlsen, Trustee

John Payson, Trustee

Steve Schuldt, Trustee