Rutland Township
16N491 Powers Road, Gilberts, IL 60136
Board Meeting Minutes, August 12, 2014

The Rutland Township Board held its monthly meeting at the town hall on Tuesday, August 12, 2014. Trustee Schuldt opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisor Sanders called the meeting to order and a roll call showed the following members present: Supervisor Sanders, Clerk Iverson, Trustees Schuldt, Payson, Bulmahn and Carlsen. Also, present was Assessor Siers and Road Commissioner Schultz.

A motion was made to **Approve the Agenda** by Trustee Carlsen and seconded by Trustee Bulmahn. Roll Call Vote: Trustees Carlsen, Bulmahn, Schuldt, Payson and Supervisor Sanders – ALL YES. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Payson and seconded by Trustee Carlsen to **Approve the Minutes** of the last meeting. Supervisor Sanders wanted the minutes amended to change a statement made by Trustee Bulmahn. Since the statement was made and recorded at the meeting, the minutes will not be amended. Roll Call Vote: Trustees Payson, Carlsen, Schuldt, Bulmahn – YES, Supervisor Sanders – NO. Motion Carried.

There was no **Public Comment.**

The Supervisor announced that the auditor came in and did the corrections on the computer, but that we don't have the completed Audit, at this time. She also gave copies of the Treasurer's Report to the Board members. The Supervisor said she had a Security/Surveillance System bid and would be getting a further bid from the current security company.

The Board **Approved the Township and Road District Financial Reports** for the 3-months ending June 30, 2014. Trustees Payson made a motion and seconded by Trustee Carlsen to approve the Town. Roll Call Vote: Trustees Payson, Carlsen, Schuldt, Bulmahn and Supervisor Sanders – ALL YES. Motion Carried. Trustees Bulmahn and Payson made a motion and seconded to approve the Road. Roll Call Vote: Trustees Bulmahn, Payson, Schuldt, Payson and Supervisor Sanders – ALL YES. Motion Carried. The Board was Presented with the Township and Road District Financial Reports for the 4-months ending July 31, 2014. **The July salaries and bills were presented for review**. The Board discussed the Ancel, Glink bills being presented again, and determined that these bills not be paid as advised by our Township Attorney. This Trustee also pointed out that the Salaries for the Assessor's office were running far ahead of schedule. The Assessor said the Township would have to pay for them since she wasn't given what she had budgeted for, in salaries, to run her office. The Trustees reminder her that they allowed all she requested for salaries, and further said they had been told, that the part-time hours would be reduced since a new full-time person was hired. The Trustee said he was just letting her know how far ahead of schedule her office was running. Trustee Bulmahn made a motion to accept the Town bills for payment, after removing the 4,875.92 bills from Ancel, Glink, with a second by Trustee Schuldt. The motion was made to pay the bills in the amount of 4,033.34, and salaries in the amount of 15,861.98, with automatic payments of 1,076.73, for a total of 20,972.05. Roll Call Vote: Trustees Bulmahn, Schuldt, Payson, Carlsen – YES. Supervisor Sanders – NO. Motion Carried. Trustee Bulmahn made a motion to accept the Road District bills and salaries for payment, with a second by Trustee Payson. Bills in the amount of 1,886.41, salaries in the amount of 10,468.00 and automatic payments of 3,538.18, for a total of 15,892.59. Roll Call Vote: Trustees

Bulmahn, Payson, Schuldt, Carlsen, and Supervior Sanders – ALL YES. Motion Carried. Trustee Bulmahn remarked that all revenue should be posted to the Revenue Account.

New Business regarding the Surveillance System was discussed. The Trustees feel that it is a needed expense.

Other Business Matters – Trustee Bulmahn presented a comprehensive report regarding alternatives to the investments we already have. In explaining the reasoning to try to earn more money the Trustee said they were elected to be efficient stewards of our funds. The Supervisor added and to provide services to the residents of Rutland Township. The Board discussed how much more they could earn to aid the residents. The Trustees expressed gratitude for the extensive report. The Motor Fuel Tax was discussed by the Board and the Road Commissioner.

Reports by Officials – The Clerk pointed out a discrepancy regarding what was said in two meetings by our Township Attorney, and what was said in this meeting about the use of another attorney. The Township Attorney advised us to refrain from paying the Ancel, Glink bills, and was quite clear that no one had come to him regarding this issue, and that if they had we wouldn't be in this position. The Trustees also agreed with what the Township Attorney said in the meetings. The Clerk also pointed out that people viewing and listening to the meeting were allowed to speak out and ask questions, but that she was told she is out of order if she comments about anything. This occurs even when someone, in the audience, swears or makes untoward comments. A few Trustees agreed that this, indeed, does happen. Multiple residents have pointed this out. This can be heard on the recorded minutes, but the Supervisor says she does not hear the remarks even though the voice recorder is on the table in front of her and the Clerk. During this report, the Clerk was interrupted by the Supervisor with the Supervisor saying, "Let me speak!" A Trustee had to ask the Supervisor to let the Clerk continue, since it was her turn to speak. The Supervisor said she didn't hear a swearing remark that was made, and the person who made the remark said it was a lie. However, it is on the recording.

Document Signing

For the September Agenda the Trustees wanted the Surveillance/Security System and the Alternative Investments.

Adjournment – At 8:38 P.M. Trustee Carlsen made a motion to adjourn with a second by Trustee Schuldt. Voice Vote: ALL YES. Motion Carried.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Linda K. Iverson, Clerk

Margaret Sanders, Supervisor

Fred Bulmahn, Trustee

Charleen Carlsen, Trustee

John Payson, Trustee

Steve Schuldt, Trustee