

RUTLAND TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING

June 14, 2022

Face masks were provided by the Township.

The Rutland Township Board held its Regular monthly Board Meeting in the Town Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7 pm by Township Supervisor Raúl Lemus.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call indicated the following Board Members present: Supervisor Lemus, Trustees J. Siers, and J. Alesi. Quorum established. Trustees D. Kenik and B. Siers absent. Also in attendance Commissioner Schultz, Assessor Fritz and Clerk Rendl.

Supervisor Lemus asked for any questions or changes to the June 14th Board Meeting Agenda; there being none, **motion** to approve the June 14th, 2022 Regular Board Meeting agenda made by Trustee J. Siers; second by Trustee J. Alesi.

Vote: Voice Vote. All Ayes.

D. Kenik absent. B. Siers absent

Motion carried. 2022-06-01.

Motion to approve the May 10, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes made by Trustee J. Alesi; second by Trustee J. Siers.

Vote: Voice Vote. All Ayes.

B. Siers absent D. Kenik absent

Motion carried. 2022-06-02.

Motion to approve the May 10, 2022 Town Fund Budget Hearing Minutes made by Trustee J. Siers; second by Trustee J. Alesi.

Vote: Voice Vote. All Ayes.

B. Siers absent D. Kenik absent

Motion carried. 2022-06-03.

Motion to approve the May 10, 2022 Road District Fund Budget Hearing Minutes made by Trustee J. Alesi; second by Trustee J. Siers.

Vote: Voice Vote. All Ayes.

B. Siers absent D. Kenik absent

Motion carried. 2022-06-04.

SUPERVISOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None. No Township residents in attendance.

REVIEW OF TOWNSHIP MAY 2022 Profit & Loss Budget vs Actual financial report.

Supervisor Lemus opened the discussion with a request for any questions or concerns regarding this report. Brief discussion. No concerns.

REVIEW OF TOWNSHIP MAY 2022 EMPLOYEE EARNINGS SUMMARY

No questions or concerns.

REVIEW OF ROAD DISTRICT MAY 2022 Profit & Loss Budget vs Actual financial report.

Supervisor Lemus asked for questions, concerns regarding this report. No questions or concerns.

REVIEW OF ROAD DISTRICT MAY 2022 EMPLOYEE EARNINGS SUMMARY

No questions or concerns.

MAY 2022 BILLS TOWNSHIP

Supervisor Lemus asked for any questions on the May Township bills as presented, in the amount of \$30,215.78. Trustee J. Siers asked for clarification on the legal expense of \$1,113.00 for Mark Schuster (Bazos, Freeman, Schuster & Pope). Supervisor Lemus stated that the expense had been incurred resultant of his (Supervisor Lemus') request for legal clarification and research regarding the Rutland Township Solid Waste District. Trustee Siers stated that the request and contact should have been reviewed and agreed upon by the Board before proceeding. Agreed to by Supervisor Lemus. Also questioned was the expense for KKC Imaging. Answered by Assessor Fritz. No other questions. **Motion** to approve payment of the May 2022 Township bills as presented, in the total amount of \$30,215.78 made by Trustee J. Siers; second by Trustee J. Alesi.

Vote: Roll call vote.

J. Siers	yes	J. Alesi	yes
R. Lemus	yes	B. Siers	absent
D. Kenik	absent		

Motion carried. 2022-06-05.

ROAD DISTRICT

Supervisor Lemus asked for questions or concerns regarding the May Road District bills as presented, in the amount of \$26,867.34. **Motion** made by Trustee J. Alesi to approve payment of the May 2022 Road District bills as presented, in the total amount of \$26,867.34; second by Trustee J. Siers. Vote: Roll call vote.

J. Alesi	yes	J. Siers	yes
R. Lemus	yes	B. Siers	absent
D. Kenik	absent		

Motion carried. 2022-06-06.

OLD BUSINESS

Trustee J. Siers asked about the purchase of the air purifier (approved last meeting). Supervisor Lemus stated that he was waiting for the credit card expense to be paid in full (July) after which the purchase would be made.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

No Executive Session called for or convened.

REPORTS BY OFFICIALS

Commissioner Schultz discussed the traffic analysis report provided in the Public Hearing held just previous to this meeting and the reality of the speeding and traffic issues on Powers and Freeman roads and the issues regarding the semi-trucks on these roads and the destruction taking place, i.e., the necessity for reducing the weight limit on those roads. He also discussed the paving contract changes this year (J.A. Johnson) and the current asphalt plant strike that is affecting the paving scheduled for the Township. He stated that Mark Schuster's help in the weight limit reduction process was invaluable. Discussion also took place regarding the County's decision-making on the weight-limit reduction. It is not the Township residents causing the speeding/traffic problems on these roads but the non-resident business and truck traffic.

Assessor Fritz stated that the industrial is "booming" in Rutland Township and reviewed the current and projected construction taking place in the Township. He discussed the increases in purchase prices of housing in the Township and how those sales are increasing the valuations in Rutland Township resulting in increased taxes. He also stated that his office will be issuing reductions for the residential properties associated with Freeman and Powers roads resultant of the commercial traffic issues.

Trustee J. Siers requested permission to continue cleaning tombstones in the cemetery on Square Barn Road. Permission granted.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Trustee J. Siers; second by Trustee J. Alesi.

Vote: Voice vote. All Ayes

B. Siers absent D. Kenik absent

Motion carried. 2022-06-07.

Meeting adjourned 7:35 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Kathleen J. Rendl

Kathleen J. Rendl, Township Clerk