

**RUTLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
MINUTES OF
APRIL 12, 2016**

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The Rutland Township Board held its regular monthly meeting at the Town Hall. Supervisor Sanders called the meeting to order at 5:45 pm which was followed by the Pledge to the Flag. Roll call showed the following members present: Supervisor Sanders, Clerk Carlsen, Trustees Schuldt, & Bulmahn, Trustee Payson was absent and Trustee Eaton arrived at 6:00pm. Also present were Assessor Siers & Road Commissioner Schultz.

MOTION TO APPROVE OR AMEND THE AGENDA

A motion was made by Trustee Schuldt and seconded by Trustee Bulmahn to approve the agenda as presented. Vote: Voice vote, all ayes. 2016-04-01 Motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 9, 2016 AND MARCH 8, 2016

Following a brief discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Bulmahn and seconded by Trustee Schuldt to approve the minutes of February 9, 2015. Vote: Voice vote, all ayes. 2016-04-02 Motion carried.

A motion was then made by Trustee Schuldt and seconded by Trustee Bulmahn to accept the minutes of March 9, 2016 as presented. Vote: Voice vote, all ayes. 2016-04-03 Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF TOWNSHIP AND ROAD DISTRICT FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE 11 MONTHS ENDING FEBRUARY 29, 2016

Discussion followed, once again, on separating the \$25,000 for General Assistance from the \$7,500 for building and grounds. Trustee Bulmahn asked, since it was voted on and approved at the March meeting, why this hadn't been done? The Supervisor stated that the bank won't allow us to have an account with less than \$25,000 but she will check into putting the \$7,500 in a savings account. A motion was made by Trustee Schuldt and seconded by Trustee Bulmahn to approve the Financial reports for the Town for the 11 months ending February 29, 2016 providing that the account changes are made. Vote: Roll call vote. Schuldt yes, Bulmahn yes, Sanders yes, Eaton yes. 2016-04-04 Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Bulmahn and seconded by Trustee Schuldt to approve the Road District Financial report for the 11 months ending February 29, 2016. Vote: Roll call vote. Bulmahn yes, Schuldt yes, Sanders yes, Eaton yes. 2016-04-05 Motion carried.

PRESENTATION OF THE TOWNSHIP AND ROAD DISTRICT FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDING MARCH 31, 2016

There were no questions regarding these reports.

REVIEW AND AUTHORIZATION OF MARCH BILLS FOR THE TOWNSHIP

A brief discussion followed with a motion made by Trustee Bulmahn and seconded by Trustee Schuldt to approve payment of the Town bills for the month of March, 2016 in the amounts of \$22,478.24

for salaries, invoices of \$3,016.54, Auto payments of \$4,056.85, QuickBooks of \$134.85, employee insurance \$1,500 employee tax \$459.00 a Torma dividend income of \$2,756.00 for a total of \$28,889.48. Vote: Roll call vote, Bulmahn yes, Schuldt yes, Sanders yes, Eaton yes. All ayes, 2016-04-06 motion carried.

Trustee Bulmahn questioned a bill being paid last month and again this month. Supervisor Sanders explained that the bill had originally been paid by credit card but got paid with a check when the bill was turned in. The check has since been returned and now voided. A motion was then made by Trustee Eaton and seconded by Supervisor Sanders to approve the March, 2106 Road District bills in the amounts of \$22,426.61 for salaries, invoices of \$8,152.83, Auto payments of \$2,980.43 QuickBooks charges of \$103.95 and Replacement tax income of -\$358.75 for total expenses of \$33,305.07. Vote: Roll call vote, Eaton yes, Sanders yes, Bulmahn yes, Schuldt yes. All ayes, 2016-04-07 motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS – APPROVAL OF RAY AND DAVE’S LANDSCAPING CONTRACT FOR SQUARE BARN ROAD CEMETERY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP GROUNDS AT 16N491 POWERS ROAD

Discussion followed on the costs which for the first time in some years had gone up. It was agreed that two fertilizing’s should be removed keeping only the spring and fall applications thereby saving \$190.00 on the total of the contracts. A motion was then made by Trustee Bulmahn and seconded by Trustee Schuldt to approve the contracts from Ray and Dave’s Landscaping for both the Square Barn Road Cemetery and the Township at 16N491 Powers Road with the exception of eliminating two fertilizer applications totaling \$190.00 being deducted from the total of the contracts. Vote: Roll call vote, Bulmahn yes, Schuldt yes, Sanders yes, Eaton yes. All ayes, 2016-04-08 motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS MATTERS

The Supervisor noted that the auditors will be coming in to do the Audit Review on the 27th. The clerk also apologized for being late to the meeting.

A motion was then made by Trustee Eaton and seconded by Supervisor Sanders to approve payment of his bills for his trip to the TOI seminar in Springfield. Vote: Roll call vote, Eaton yes, Sanders yes, Bulmahn yes, Schuldt no. 2016-04-09 motion carried.

REPORTS FROM OFFICIALS

Trustee Schuldt asked the Road Commissioner if his crew punches in on the time clock for each other? Road Commissioner Schultz said that yes they do, and he does it also. Trustee Schuldt asked that they each do only their own punching in from now on. Assessor Siers stated that she’d attended a TOI educational event in Lyle. She had found it to be very informative regarding Townships and encouraged everyone to attend the TOI seminar in Rockford in May.

ADJOURNMENT

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A motion was made by Trustee Schuldt and seconded by Supervisor Sanders to adjourn the meeting at 6:35pm. Vote: Voice vote, all ayes 2016-04-10 motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charleen Carlsen, Rutland Township Clerk

Margaret Sanders, Township Supervisor Steve Schuldt, Trustee

John Payson, Trustee Fred Bulmahn, Trustee

Ray Eaton, Trustee