

**RUTLAND TOWNSHIP
TOWN FUND BUDGET HEARING
MAY 10, 2016**

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The Rutland Township Board held the Town Fund Budget Hearing at 7:02pm in the Township Hall for the purpose of discussing and voting on the proposed Town Budget. Board members present were: Supervisor Sanders, Clerk Carlsen, Trustees Schuldt, Bulmahn, Payson, & Eaton. Also present were Assessor Siers and Road Commissioner Schultz.

The Supervisor opened the meeting and discussion on the Town Fund Budget Appropriation Ordinance # RU2016-01 began. Trustee Bulmahn noted that since many of the accounts were not totally spent he would like to see us totally flat line our total expenditures on the new budget. The Supervisor stated that money is needed in the equipment and building repairs accounts in case something needs repair or replacing. Lengthy discussion continued on potential adjustments to the payroll accounts, auditing expenses, workmen's comp expenses, building maintenance, quick books expenses, legal expense, housekeeping, phone expenses, lawn maintenance, travel expenses, training classes, switching to paperless, equipment expense, general assistance etc. All this was followed by discussion on the Assessors Budget. Trustee Bulmahn asked why there was such a large increase in her budget over last year? She stated that there is a big increase in new construction throughout the Township and therefore additional money is needed. Trustee Bulmahn suggested \$154,600 and further discussion followed. Trustees Bulmahn and Schuldt then agreed that a total of \$155,000 for her budget should be sufficient. **A motion was then made by Trustee Schuldt and seconded by Trustee Payson to appropriate \$155,000 for the Assessors total budget for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2017.**

Vote: Roll call vote. 2016-05-02 Schuldt yes, Payson yes, Sanders no, Bulmahn yes, Eaton yes. Motion carried. **A motion was made by Trustee Bulmahn and seconded by Trustee Payson to adopt the Rutland Township Budget Appropriation Ordinance #RU2016-01 for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2017 for a total appropriation of \$309,522.00.** Vote: Roll call vote. 2016-05-02 Bulmahn yes, Payson yes, Sanders yes, Schuldt yes, Eaton yes. All ayes, motion carried.

There being no further business, **a motion was made by Trustee Bulmahn and seconded by Trustee Schuldt to adjourn the Town Fund Budget Hearing for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2017 at 8:35pm.** Vote: Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charleen Carlsen, Rutland Township Clerk

Margaret Sanders, Supervisor

Steve Schuldt, Trustee

Fred Bulmahn, Trustee

John Payson, Trustee

Ray Eaton, Trustee