

RUTLAND TOWNSHIP ANNUAL MEETING
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The Rutland Township Annual meeting was held on April 13, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Hall. The meeting was called to order by the Township Clerk Debra Schultz and was followed by the Pledge to the Flag.

The Clerk than called for a motion to nominate a moderator for tonight's meeting and a motion was made by resident Charleen Carlson and seconded by Highway Commissioner Howard J Schultz to nominate Fred Bulmahn as moderator. Vote: voice vote, all ayes. Motion Carried. Clerk Schultz then administered the oath of office to Fred Bulmahn and he then assumed the role of moderator.

Roll call showed the following members present: Supervisor Sanders, Clerk Schultz, Trustees Schuldt, Schultz, Swanson, and Whalen. Assessor Siers and Highway Commissioner Schultz were also present. Also present tonight is our Township Lawyer Ron Rosser.

There were just a few minor corrections to the Annual minutes of April 14, 2009. With no further corrections a motion was made by Fred Bulmahn and seconded by assessor Jan Siers to approve the minutes of last year's Annual meeting of April 14, 2009. **Vote: voice vote, all ayes. Motion Carried.**

The date for next year's Annual Meeting is set for the second Tuesday in April which is Tuesday April 12, 2011. The moderator then called for a motion to adopt the date and time for the 2011 Annual Meeting. **A motion was made by Trustee Whalen and seconded by Highway Commissioner Schultz to accept April 12, 2011 @ 7:00 p.m. as the set date for next year's Annual Meeting. Vote: voice vote, all ayes. Motion Carried.**

Clerk Schultz then read the annual financial statements for both the Town and Road from April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010. The summary of the Rutland Township and the Rutland Township Road District is as follows: Cash balances for both the Town and Road District are \$541,718.00, with total revenue from Property taxes and misc. income in the amount of; 704,416.00, total expenses for both Town and Road District of \$550,289.00, Total expenses for the Assessor of; \$114.352.00, Total expenses for cemetery, building, general assistance: \$11,594.00, for a grand total of expenses of \$676.235.00 and excess revenue over expenses of \$28.181.00. End of year total of \$585,016.00. The moderator then asked if there were any questions. With no questions the moderator asked for a motion to approve the Supervisors Annual Financial Report. **A motion was then made by Trustee Whalen and seconded by Highway Commissioner Schultz to accept the Supervisors Annual financial statement ending March 31, 2010 as presented and read and as signed by Supervisor Sanders for both the Town and Road District Fund. Vote: voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.**

The moderator than complimented the Clerk Schultz on a nice reading and Supervisor Sanders for a nice presentation which was precise and comprehensive. Complements also went to the Officials for a frugal handling of finances.

Highway Commissioner Jay Schultz then gave his report. He thanked everyone for coming out tonight and noted some of the accomplishments over the past year. He listed all the roads that have been paved, shouldered and crack filled, tree trimming and a broken tile on Coombs Road has been repaired that has previously caused flooding. The back part of the garage has now been insulated which has helped with the heating costs this past winter 2009-2010. The floor drains in the shop have been properly cleaned by Safety Clean and the waste was properly disposed of. The wash bay area now has water resistant siding. We have rebuilt the old 1989 snow/salt truck. And have added a garage door to one of the salt bins to help keep the weather out. We have sold our oldest truck, the 1986, last fall with a bid of \$2,600.00. Looking ahead, our paving bid went out to Geske and Sons who won the bid for the paving this year. The roads to be paved are Square Barn Rd (our part of) and the rest of Bid Timber Estates. Crack filling in the fall. Tree trimming and clean up and one more salt bin door to order.

The Moderator than thanked the Highway commissioner for his detailed report.

Assessor Jan Siers then gave her assessors report. We have been hit by the housing market decline but not as hard as other areas of the county. In 2008 we have 11,673 parcels and in 2009 we have 11,763 parcels. Cambridge Lakes have 3266 parcels. For about the last 5 years we have had the most new construction. The final assessment for 2009 was 794,863,259.00. We are still the lowest in Kane County. She mentioned that the tax bills will be coming out shortly and you should look at your tax bill and make sure you are getting exemptions you are entitled too and also check out the programs that are available through the County. Questions on foreclosures came up and a small discussion continued.

The moderator then thanked Jan for her report.

Supervisor Sanders then thanked everyone for coming tonight. She then gave her report. She stated that the eleven months in office have gone by very quickly. She has used the expertise of many, as well as attending training seminars. The Officials have worked hard to address concerns of the residents and to keep the Township running smoothly. The assessor's trailer was repaired and painted this past year as well as new window replacements in the Township Hall. The reports on the annual financials for the Town and Road District came in under budget. It was well planned and in place by the pervious Officials before we took office. The Assessors and Highway Commissioners' budgets also came in under budget. The Clerk Debra Schultz has done a great job in preparing the minutes, posting notices, keeping up with deadlines for the County and has been a great assistant to me. We have had only one General Assistance claim and several others that were not under the General Assistance Program and were sent in the direction that would meet their needs. She thanked everyone on behalf of Rutland Township.

Our Moderator, Fred Bulmahn, than thanked Margaret for her report. He than asked if any of the Trustees wanted to say anything.

Trustee Schuldt said that this is his second term as a Trustee for Rutland Township. It was a smooth transition from one Board to the next. Rutland Township is working together to keep thing moving in the Township.

Open discussion: the moderator than stated it was open discussion and asked if anyone had anything to say. A resident from Dell Web came and stated that he was surprised that so many people came to the meeting. He was here to ask about Rutland Township newsletter. The discussion continued about the cost by mailing and by website cost and weather it is effective a t this time. A small discussion continued. The resident was than thanked for his comments.

With no other comments or further discussion a motion was made by Assessor Jan Siers and seconded by Trustee Patrick Whalen to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. All in favor: All ayes.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

DEBRA SCHULTZ, TOWNSHIP CLERK

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