

**RUTLAND TOWNSHIP  
TOWN FUND BUDGET HEARING  
MARCH 10, 2009**

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The Rutland Township Board held its Town Fund Budget Hearing at 7:30 p.m. in the Township Hall. The purpose of the hearing was to discuss and vote on the proposed Town Fund budget. Those present were: Supervisor Bulmahn, Clerk Carlsen, Trustees Tessendorf, Stelford, Brown and Schuldt. Also present were Assessor Siers and Highway Commissioner Shultz.

**A motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Schuldt to open the Town Fund Budget Hearing for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010. Vote: Roll call vote.**

2009-03-07	Brown	yes	
	Schuldt	yes	
	Tessendorf	yes	
	Stelford	yes	
	Bulmahn	yes	Motion carried.

Discussion on the Town Fund Budget Appropriation Ordinance # RU2009-01 then began with the Supervisor going over the financial reports in detail for the Board's edification. The Total Appropriations being proposed for the upcoming budget for the Town Fund is \$281,790.00. This includes \$8,200 for the General Assistance Fund, and \$273,590.00 for the General Town Funds. We anticipate \$4,400.00 in revenue for the General Assistance fund so that would leave an excess of appropriations in excess of revenue of \$3,800.00 in the General Assistance Fund and, in the General Town Fund for administrative and assessor matters, we're appropriating \$273,590.00 versus revenue of \$257,100.00 leaving a difference of appropriations exceeding revenue of \$16,490.00. In total, revenue projected of \$261,500.00 and total expenses of \$281,790.00 for a grand total for the Town Fund overall an excess of expense over revenue of \$20,290.00. Trustee Schuldt expressed his concern whether we'd budgeted enough money in the General Assistance account. Supervisor Bulmahn explained that it's very difficult to budget for this in that we don't cover emergency assistance, which are most of our requests to date, and the insurance will kick in if or when we have a claim in excess of \$25,000.00. We also have a reserve fund which is a restricted fund containing money reserved for this purpose. The budget comparison from this year to last year was then discussed and it was noted there would be roughly a 5% increase in expenses from last year.

The Assessor's proposed budget of \$128,890.00 is down from last years \$130,000.00. Going over her budget it was noted that \$5,000.00 has been budgeted in capitol equipment for the purchase of new computers but most of her other expenses are consistent with last years budget. **A motion was then made by Trustee Schuldt and seconded by Trustee Stelford to adopt the Rutland Township Town Funds Budget and Appropriation Ordinance #RU2009-01 for fiscal year beginning April 1, 2009 and ending March 31, 2010 for the General Town Fund the amount of \$273,590.00 and for the General Assistance Fund \$8,200.00 for a grand total Appropriations of \$281,790.00.** Vote: Roll call vote.

2009-03-08	Schuldt	yes	
	Stelford	yes	
	Tessendorf	yes	
	Brown	yes	
	Bulmahn	yes	Motion carried.

There being no further business, **a motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Schuldt to adjourn the Town Fund Budget Hearing for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010 at 8:00 p.m. and to then resume the Regular Board Meeting.** Vote: Roll call vote.

2009-03-09	Brown	yes	
	Schuldt	yes	
	Bulmahn	yes	
	Tessendorf	yes	
	Stelford	yes	Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Charleen Carlsen, Rutland Township Clerk

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Fred Bulmahn, Supervisor                      Ron Tessendorf, Trustee

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Steve Schuldt, Trustee                      Robin Brown, Trustee

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Roscoe Stelford