

**RUTLAND TOWNSHIP
TOWN FUND BUDGET HEARING
MARCH 10, 2020**

The Rutland Township Board held the Town Fund Budget Hearing at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall for the purpose of discussion and approval of the proposed Town Fund Budget for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2020 and ending March 31, 2021.

The meeting was opened by Supervisor Sanders at 7:00 pm, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call was taken. Present: Supervisor Sanders, Clerk Rendl, Trustees Eaton, Hoffman Keegan and Siers. Also present were Assessor Fritz and Road Commissioner Schultz.

One township resident in attendance.

Motion to approve the March 10, 2020 Town Fund Budget Hearing Agenda made by Trustee Eaton; second by Trustee Hoffman. Voice vote. All Ayes.

Motion carried. 2020-03-01 TFBH

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Trustee Siers opened discussion of the Town Fund Budget with a proposal for reallocating the proposed increase of the Assessor's budget back into the Town Fund. Discussion took place.

Trustee Keegan questioned Assessor Fritz on the balance remaining in his 2020 budget. Additional discussion took place.

Discussion took place regarding the copier purchase for the Township office, the necessity of the purchase, the contract amount, capabilities and maintenance agreement and any potential future equipment purchases.

Additional discussion took place on the subject of reallocating the Assessor's increase back into the Town Fund Budget.

Discussion took place regarding the procedure for appropriating funds from budget line items for shortfalls in other line items.

Motion to reallocate the amount of the Assessor’s increase made by Trustee Eaton; discussion.
Motion retracted.

Motion made by Supervisor Sanders to accept the proposed FYE 2021 Town Fund Budget in the amount of \$381,239.00 as presented, including the Assessor’s budget of \$175,350. Trustee Keegan questioned if any reallocation would take place. Discussion took place as to how the amount for the Assessor’s budget had been determined. Vote: Roll call vote.

Sanders	yes	Eaton	yes
Keegan	no	Siers	no
Hoffman	no		

Motion failed.

Motion made by Trustee Siers to table the approval of the proposed FYE 2021 Town Fund Budget for additional discussion; second by Trustee Keegan. Discussion. Vote: Voice vote.

Siers	yes	Keegan	yes
Eaton	yes	Sanders	no
Hoffman	yes		

Motion carried. **2020-03-02 TFBH.**

Motion made by Trustee Hoffman; second by Trustee Eaton to adjourn the Town Fund Budget Hearing for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2021.

Vote: voice vote. All Ayes.

Motion carried. 2020-03-03 TFBH.

Meeting adjourned 7:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen J. Rendl

Kathleen J. Rendl, Township Clerk