

**RUTLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING  
JULY 14, 2015**

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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 7:00 pm and then led us in the Pledge to the Flag. Roll call showed the following members present: Supervisor Sanders, Clerk Carlsen, Trustees Schuldt, Bulmahn, Payson and Eaton. Assessor Siers and Road Commissioner Schultz were also present.

**MOTION TO APPROVE OR AMEND THE AGENDA**

**A motion was made by Trustee Payson and seconded by Trustee Bulmahn to amend the agenda asking that any questions for the auditors be held till the August meeting. Voice vote: all ayes. 2015-07-01 Motion carried.**

**MINUTES**

There were several corrections made to the June minutes and then **a motion was made by Trustee Schuldt and seconded by Trustee Bulmahn to approve minutes of June 9, 2015 as amended. Vote: Roll call vote. 2015-07-02** Schuldt yes, Bulmahn yes, Sanders yes, Payson yes, Eaton yes motion carried.

**SUPERVISOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Supervisor Sanders noted that Mr. Wade Arthur, the Auditor, would be attending our August Board meeting.

**MOTION TO APPOINT CHIEF INVESTMENT ADVISOR**

**A motion was then made by Trustee Schuldt and seconded by Trustee Payton to appoint Trustee Bulmahn as the Chief Investment Advisor for the Town. Vote: Roll call vote. 2015-07-03 Schuldt yes, Payson yes, Bulmahn abstain, Sanders no, Eaton yes motion carried.**

**APPROVAL OF TOWN AND ROAD FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR 2 MONTHS ENDING MAY 31, 2015**

There being no discussion, **a motion was made by Trustee Bulmahn and seconded by Trustee Payson to approve the Financial reports for the Town for the 2 months ending May 31, 2015. Vote: Roll call vote. 2015-07-04 Bulmahn yes, Payson yes, Schuldt no, Sanders yes, Eaton yes motion carried.**

**A motion was then made by Trustee Payson and seconded by Trustee Bulmahn to approve the Financial reports for the Road District for the two months ending May 31, 2015. Vote:**

Roll call vote. 2015-07-05 Payson yes, Bulmahn yes, Schuldt no, Sanders yes, Eaton yes motion carried.

**PRESENTATION OF THE TOWNSHIP AND ROAD DISTRICT FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE 3 MONTHS ENDING JUNE 30, 2015**

Trustee Bulmahn expressed his concern on the balances left in some of the Assessors accounts. Discussion then followed on these accounts with the Assessor noting that since it's her budget she is aware of these amounts. The Trustees also reminded her that the "legal" line item, number 62230, had not been approved by the Board for her budget.

Further discussion followed on the Town and Road investments and Trustee Bulmahn asked that a detailed report on earnings on the investments etc. for the town and road be submitted to the Board for next months meeting. The reports to include detail on accounts 10650 & 10801.

**REVIEW OF JUNE BILLS FOR THE TOWN AND ROAD**

The June bills for the Town are salaries of \$15,694.95, with invoices in the amount of \$1,967.72, employee insurance benefits of \$1,500.00, auto payments of \$1,399.28, quickbook charges of \$120.10, and general assistance of \$980.00 for a total of \$21,662.06. **A motion was then made by Trustee Payson and seconded by Supervisor Sanders to approve the June Town Fund bills in the total amount of \$21,662.06.** Vote: Roll call vote. 2015-07-06 Payson yes, Sanders yes, Schuldt yes, Bulmahn yes, Eaton yes motion carried. Discussion followed on having a locked mailbox put up for the township and Supervisor Sanders is to check with the post office to see if that would be allowed.

The June bills for the Road district are \$11,157.24 for salaries, \$507.26 for invoices, \$607.98 for auto payments, of \$84.70 for QuickBooks charges, for a total of \$12,357.38.

**A motion was then made by Trustee Schuldt and seconded by Trustee Payson to approve the June Road District bills in the amount of \$12,357.38.** Vote: Roll call vote. 2015-07-07 Schuldt yes, Payson yes, Bulmahn yes, Sanders yes, Eaton yes motion carried.

The Trustees are to send any questions to the auditors prior the August meeting.

**MFT FUNDS REPORT**

Trustee Bulmahn questioned the \$40,000 expense in the MFT report but the Road Commissioner explained that was an estimate and was returned and not used.

**REPORTS BY OFFICIALS**

Trustee Eaton had a suggestion that the Township might want to consider a partnership with the farmers coop and hold a farmers market here at the township. The Supervisor will check with our insurance company on liability ins. etc.

The Road Commissioner gave his report and discussed upcoming and current roadwork. A bid notice has been published for a new truck and bids are to be submitted by 6:00 pm July 16, 2015.

Trustee Eaton thanked the Supervisor for welcoming him and offering to give him any necessary help.

Trustee Schuldt asked that the Supervisor read the deficiencies sited by the auditors and again asked why we're not doing any of them. The Supervisor said that she's following the manual and the attorney's advise.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business a motion was made by Trustee Eaton and seconded by Supervisor Sanders to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 pm. Vote: Voice vote, all ayes, 2015-07-08.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Charleen Carlsen, Rutland Township Clerk

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Margaret Sanders, Supervisor

Steve Schuldt, Trustee

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John Payson, Trustee

Fred Bulmahn, Trustee

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Ray Eaton, Trustee