

## 2021 RUTLAND TOWNSHIP ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

April 13, 2021

Rutland Township held its 2021 Annual Town Meeting April 13, 2021 in the Town Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by the Rutland Township Clerk Kathleen Rendl, who introduced herself and explained to the audience the purpose and procedure of the Annual Town meeting.

Covid-19 Gubernatorial directives were followed in respect to mandatory face coverings and the physical six-foot social distancing protocol.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE****WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF OFFICIALS****ROLL CALL**

Roll call was taken with the following Board members present: Supervisor Sanders, Clerk Rendl, Trustees Flesburg, Hoffman, Keegan and Siers; also present, Assessor Fritz, Commissioner Schultz.

**MOTION BY ELECTORS TO NOMINATE AND ELECT MODERATOR**

Motion to nominate Janet Siers, 17N765 Powers Road, Gilberts, as Moderator, made by Nicholas Hoffman, 254 Rockville Lane Gilberts; second by Jay Schultz, 15N605 McCornack Road Gilberts.

Vote: Voice vote. All ayes.

**Motion carried. 2021-04-01 ATM**

**ADMINISTRATION OF OATH TO MODERATOR**

Clerk Rendl administered the Moderator's Oath to Janet Siers.

**APPROVAL OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING AGENDA**

Motion to approve the April 13, 2021 Annual Town Meeting agenda made by Jay Schultz; second by Francis Steuhler, 40W721 Big Timber Road, Gilberts.

Vote: Voice Vote. All Ayes.

**Motion carried. 2021-04-02 ATM.**

**ADOPTION OF DATE, APRIL 12, 2022**

Motion to approve the date of April 12, 2022, time of 7 pm, for the 2022 Annual Town Meeting made by Kathleen Rendl, 18N460 Powers Road, Huntley; second by Margaret Sanders, 12714 Saddle Court, Huntley.

Vote: Voice Vote. All Ayes.

**Motion carried. 2021-04-03 ATM.**

**APPROVAL OF MARCH 9, 2021 (Rescheduled 2020) ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES**

Motion to approve the minutes of the March 9, 2021 (Rescheduled 2020) Annual Town Meeting made by Gary Daugherty, 17N855 Mary Circle, Gilberts; second by Dave Kenik, 17N919 Mary Circle, Gilberts.

Vote: Voice vote. All Ayes.

**Motion carried. 2021-04-04 ATM.**

**TREASURER'S REPORT FYE 2020-2021 (TOWN AND ROAD DISTRICT FUNDS)**

Recitation and explanation of the FYE 2020-2021 Treasurer's Report given by Supervisor Sanders.

### **REPORT BY HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER**

Commissioner Schultz introduced himself and thanked the audience for attending. He summarized the past year's Road District activities - resurfacing township roads (paving, shouldering, striping) and the criteria and decision-making involved. He also spoke on the tree trimming done in 2021. He then spoke on the constant garbage clean-up and the nature of the garbage dumped on Township roads (tires, tv's, furniture, fast-food garbage). He spoke about doing in-house maintenance of equipment and how much money is saved by doing so. Snow-removal is all done by employees of the Road District. He spoke about the damage this year's snowfall will have done to the roads and how the increased road traffic from Weber and now Amazon will damage Township roads without any compensation from the developers/businesses/annexation approval. He also spoke on how Rutland Township continues to change with increased population and road use from residents and business traffic but that the budget does not increase correspondingly.

Charleen Carlson, Tollview Terrace, Gilberts, questioned Commissioner Schultz about Motor Fuel Tax income for the Township. Explanation given by Commissioner Schultz.

Ronda Goldman, Huntley, spoke about Kane County's Transportation Plan and how the Township officials need to speak to the County Representative for representation in County decision-making. She then spoke about the "Adopt-A-Road" plan and how that might help Rutland Township in keeping the roads clean.

Assessor Fritz questioned Commissioner Schultz if the Road District employees have enough work during the 6-months they are not plowing snow. Answer from Commissioner Schultz was that there was more than enough work keeping them busy during those months; they are mowing and maintaining township roads, maintaining equipment and other necessary duties.

Adeline Lewis, Gregory, Gilberts, discussed pre-planned road-closing scheduling to clean roads.

### **REPORT BY ASSESSOR**

Assessor Fritz introduced himself, thanked the audience for attending and reported on the changes in the Township. He then reported on the residential and commercial sales in Rutland Township; Rutland Township has 13,299 parcels and a fair cash value of 3.2 billion (dollars). The factor for Rutland Township in 2020 was 4.1% and this year the factor will be 2.6%. He spoke on being recognized by the Kane County Supervisor of Assessments for his accomplishments in the office. He then spoke about School District 168 pressuring the office to increase assessments for increased revenue for the school district.

### **REPORTS BY SUPERVISOR AND OR TRUSTEES**

Supervisor Sanders thanked the audience for attending and asked for any questions on the report she gave earlier. No questions.

### **OPEN DISCUSSION/COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

Ronda Goldman had a few questions for the Board. Meeting notice publication – response by Clerk Rendl; meetings are posted on the website, in the signboard outside the township offices, and the annual meeting and budget hearings are publicized by newspaper and posted in three public places throughout the Township. Mrs. Goldman asked that the Board consider publishing meeting information in the Sun Day newspaper.

Discussion regarding General Assistance fund dispersal.

Discussion regarding the amount of Township money kept in savings (Reserves) - all account balances are shown on the Treasurer's Report (given to the audience).

Discussion regarding electronic devices provided for the Trustees.

Discussion regarding Trustee vacancies following the Consolidated Election and the two write-in candidates.

Terry Levine, Timber Creek Drive, Huntley and an unidentified Sun City resident complained that residents of Sun City are unaware of Rutland Township meetings. The question was asked (and answered) regarding how the Trustee vacancies will be filled.

Moderator Siers thanked everyone for attending the meeting and asked for a motion to adjourn.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn made by Jay Schultz; second by Bill Siers, 17N765 Powers Road, Gilberts.

Vote: Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried. **2021-04-05 ATM.**

**Meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.**

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

*Kathleen J. Rendl*

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Kathleen J. Rendl, Township Clerk

**ACCEPTED:**

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Janet A. Siers, Moderator

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