

**RUTLAND TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MARCH 11, 2008**

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The Rutland Township Board held its regular monthly meeting in the town hall. Supervisor Bulmahn called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and then asked Trustee Schuldt to lead us in the Pledge to the Flag. Roll call showed the following members present: Supervisor Bulmahn, Clerk Carlsen, Trustees Tessendorf, Schuldt, Stelford, and Brown. Also present were Assessor Siers and Road Commissioner Schultz.

SUPERVISOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Supervisor hopes to keep the agenda moving tonight due to the large amount of business scheduled. We have both the town and road budget hearings in addition to the regular meeting so we need to keep things moving. That being said he asked Officer Grimes, from the Kane County Sheriffs Dept., for his report. Officer Grimes then submitted the monthly Township crime and accident reports and also brought gunlocks to be distributed for anyone interested. The Board thanked the Officer for coming and also for the locks. Supervisor Bulmahn reminded everyone that next months Board meeting will begin at 5:45 p.m. and asked the Clerk to remind the Trustees a day or two ahead of the meeting.

MINUTES

There were no additions or corrections to the February minutes so, **a motion was made by Trustee Tessendorf and seconded by Trustee Brown to approve the minutes of February 12, 2008.** Vote: Voice vote, all ayes.
2008-03-01 Motion carried.

FINANCIALS

The financial reports for the 10 months ending January 31st were distributed last month for the Boards consideration this month therefore, **a motion was made by Trustee Tessendorf and seconded by Trustee Stelford to approve the financial reports for the ten months ending January 31, 2008.** Vote: Roll call vote.

2008-03-02	Tessendorf	yes	
	Stelford	yes	
	Brown	yes	
	Schuldt	yes	
	Bulmahn	yes	Motion carried.

The financial reports for the 11 months ending February 29, 2008 have been distributed in the Trustees binders this month and are to be discussed and considered next month.

The Supervisor then asked for an amendment to tonight's agenda by moving the employee health benefit discussion up before the bills and salaries. **A motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Tessendorf to amend the agenda as previously stated.** Vote: Voice vote, all ayes.
2008-03-03 Motion carried.

EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFIT ALTERNATIVES

Supervisor Bulmahn has received a flyer from Larry Holly, an insurance agent in Aurora, who also serves Campton and St. Charles Townships. He's spoken with him regarding the various alternatives and coverage's available for full time employees. Mr. Holly needs names, ages, and the type of coverage needed in order to give us a quote. The Supervisor has a couple of other leads but this one seems to be the most encouraging. Since the department heads have allocated line items in their upcoming fiscal year budgets the costs will have to be determined by those amounts. The goal is to have a couple of insurance proposals prior to next months meeting and to also have the Department Heads meet and come to the Board with a proposal at next months meeting.

A motion was then made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Tessendorf to suspend the Regular Board meeting at 7:15 p.m. in order to open the Budget Hearing for the Road District. Vote: Voice vote, all ayes.
2008-03-04 Motion carried.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:00 p.m. and began with a discussion on the sign proposal from Insignia Sign. This is for the sign being considered for the front of the township that's been discussed at previous Board meetings. It was suggested by resident Bill Siers that we check with the County Forest Preserve to see if they could make the sign as they make their own signs for the Forest Preserves. Supervisor Bulmahn will call them to see if they will and what the cost would be.

BILLS AND SALARIES

The Town bills were the next item on the agenda with salaries of \$11,586.58, prepaid bills of \$1,798.00, and unpaid bills of \$1,675.19 for total claims of \$15,059.77. There being no questions on the bills, **a motion was made by**

Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Schuldt to approve the Town bills for the month of February 2008 in the amount of \$15,059.77 as presented. Vote: Roll call vote.

2008-03-05

Brown	yes	
Schuldt	yes	
Tessendorf	yes	
Stelford	yes	
Bulmahn	yes	Motion carried

The Road District bills were then discussed with salaries of \$17,335.50, unpaid bills of \$14,671.07 and total claims of \$32,006.57. A fair amount of electrical work was needed on the garage due to inadequate wiring and the Road Commissioner hopes to do additional upgrading in the near future. Trustee Brown questioned the bill from the Kane County Division of Transportation and Commissioner Schultz explained those costs were for bridge inspections which are done every three to five years. There being no further questions, **a motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Tessendorf to approve the Road District bills for the month of February 2008 in the amount of \$32,006,57 as presented. Vote: Roll call vote.**

2008-03-06

Brown	yes	
Tessendorf	yes	
Stelford	yes	
Schuldt	yes	
Bulmahn	yes	Motion carried

The Supervisor then asked the Board if they would authorize the prepayment in full of \$950.25 for the last two months of John Deere tractor lease. We'll be getting a small credit by paying it off early and then be done with it. **A motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Schuldt to authorize the Supervisor and the Clerk to payoff the balance of the John Deere tractor lease in the amount of \$950.25. Vote: Roll call vote.**

2008-03-07

Brown	yes	
Schuldt	yes	
Bulmahn	yes	
Stelford	yes	
Tessendorf	yes	Motion carried

OTHER BUSINESS MATTERS

The Supervisor reminded everyone that next month's Regular Board Meeting starts at 5:45 p.m. with the Annual meeting following at 7:00 p.m. We've tried unsuccessfully to reach Bill Morse to act as the Annual meeting moderator so the

Clerk will ask Glenn Morganroth if he's available on that night. The Board concurred that she should do so. We will also need to get the appropriations transfer done next month so we'll need all the bills in as soon as possible for that.

REPORTS BY OFFICIALS

Road Commissioner Schultz submitted his man-hours report and thanked the Board for passing his budget.

Assessor Siers had no report.

Clerk Carlsen reported that the March 5th election had a very light turnout and that the three precincts at the Eagles Club were put into a smaller room for this election. The Supervisor noted that he is still persisting in trying to get some precincts split. The Clerk along with Trustee Brown will be attending the Ride in Kane meeting on March 19th and will report results to the Board at next months meeting.

ADJOURN

There being no further business a motion was made by Trustee Schuldt and seconded by Trustee Stelford to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. Vote: Voice vote, all ayes.

2008-03-08 Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charleen Carlsen, Rutland Township Clerk

Fred Bulmahn, Supervisor

Ron Tessendorf, Trustee

Roscoe Stelford, Trustee

Steve Schuldt, Trustee

Robin Brown, Trustee