

# RUTLAND TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING

## September 14, 2021

The Rutland Township Board held its regular monthly meeting in the Town Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Deputy Supervisor Janet Siers. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call showed the following Board Members present: Deputy Supervisor Siers, Trustees Kenik, and B. Siers; Clerk Rendl, Road Commissioner Schultz and Assessor Fritz. Township Attorney Mark Schuster was also present.

As per recent CDC and Illinois guidelines, face coverings were requested. Masks were provided by the Township.

### AGENDA

**Motion** to approve the September 14, 2021 agenda made by Trustee Kenik; second by Trustee B. Siers.

Vote: Voice vote. All Ayes.

**Motion carried. 2021-09-01.**

### MINUTES

Motion to approve the August 10, 2021 minutes as presented, made by Trustee Kenik; second by Trustee B. Siers.

Vote: Roll call vote.

Kenik	yes	B. Siers	yes
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J. Siers	yes		
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**Motion carried. 2021-09-02.**

### SUPERVISOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deputy Supervisor announced that the Township has received the final disbursements from the County.

She also addressed the audience regarding social media postings and the disinformation that is being posted; with counsel to visit the Township website for information pertaining to Rutland Township.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

Adeline Lewis addressed the audience regarding her perspective on the appointments made, as well as stating she would be filing a petition with the Clerk to hold a special electors meeting. Cathy Flesburg addressed the Board on her opinion of the appointment process.

### REVIEW OF AUGUST BILLS

#### TOWNSHIP

Deputy Supervisor Siers asked for any questions regarding the Township Bills to be paid for the month of August. Brief discussion. Trustee B. Siers made a motion to pay the Township bills for the month of August as presented, in the amount of \$35,961.50; second by Trustee Kenik.

Vote: Roll call vote:

B. Siers	yes	Kenik	yes
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J. Siers	yes		
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**Motion carried. 2021-09-03.**

**ROAD DISTRICT**

Deputy Supervisor Siers asked for any questions regarding the August bills for the Road District. Trustee B. Siers asked Commissioner Schultz about the paving invoice from Plote. Invoice has not been received yet. **Motion** made by Trustee B. Siers to approve payment of the Road District bills for the month of August in the amount of \$30,720.39; second by Deputy Supervisor Siers.

Vote: Roll call vote.

B. Siers	yes	J. Siers	yes
Kenik	yes		

**Motion carried. 2021-09-04.**

**OLD BUSINESS****1. Reconsideration of compensation for Temporary Deputy Supervisor**

Deputy Supervisor Siers stated that the reconsideration was on the agenda because she voted at the last meeting to set compensation. To avoid any appearance of impropriety, a reconsideration of the vote was being done at this meeting. Trustee B. Siers made the motion to reconsider the motion for compensation. Second by Trustee Kenik. Vote: Roll call vote.

B. Siers	yes	Kenik	yes
J. Siers	abstain		

**Motion carried. 2021-09-05.**

**2. Motion to set compensation at \$24,000.00 per annum, prorated, for the Temporary Deputy**

Supervisor made by Trustee Kenik; second by Trustee B. Siers. Vote: Roll call vote.

Kenik	yes	B. Siers	yes
J. Siers	abstain		

**Motion carried. 2021-09-06.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

Motion made by Trustee B. Siers to accept Trustee Hoffman's resignation; second by Deputy Supervisor Siers.

Vote: Roll call vote.

B. Siers	yes	J. Siers	yes
Kenik	yes		

**Motion carried. 2021-09-07.**

**Motion made** by Deputy Supervisor Siers to approve the 2021 Audit report by GRA; second by Trustee B. Siers. Vote: Roll call vote.

J. Siers	yes	B. Siers	yes
Kenik	yes		

**Motion carried. 2021-09-08.**

**REPORTS BY OFFICIALS**

### **Road Commissioner**

Commissioner Schultz apprised the Board regarding the paving, striping and shouldering of the Township roads specified to be paved. He also informed the Board and audience of the tremendous number of trees that came down during the last storm that are currently being cleaned up.

### **Assessor**

Assessor Fritz informed the Board and audience that the assessments have been turned in, and the number of appeals have gone down.

### **Trustees**

Trustee Siers welcomed the new faces in the audience and spoke regarding the current interest in the Township. He asked that given the current criticisms and accusations being made, everyone remember that no one ran for Trustee in the election or as a write-in candidate except for two board members.

### **DOCUMENT SIGNING**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion** to adjourn the meeting made by Trustee Kenik; second by Trustee B. Siers.

Vote: Voice vote. All Ayes.

**Motion carried. 2021-09-09.**

**Meeting adjourned 7:29 p.m.**

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

*Kathleen J. Rendl*

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Kathleen J. Rendl, Township Clerk