

**RUTLAND TOWNSHIP  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
MAY 9, 2017**

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The Supervisor opened the May, 2017 Board meeting following the Town and Road District Budget Hearings at 8:14pm.

**APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 11, 2017**

Trustee Bulmahn asked that the word expense be added regarding the General Assistance information. **A motion was then made by Trustee Payson and seconded by Trustee Eaton to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2017 Board Meeting as amended.** Vote: Roll call vote Payson yes, Eaton yes, Sanders yes, Bulmahn yes, Schuldt yes, 2017-05-01, motion carried.

**APPROVAL-TOWNSHIP AND ROAD DISTRICT FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR 12 MONTHS ENDING MARCH 31, 2017**

Discussion on the Town financials began with Trustee Bulmahn noting that the March cash reports needed to be reclassified as year ending March 31, 2017 not month ending March 31, 2107. **A motion was then made by Trustee Payson and seconded by Trustee Bulmahn to approve the Township financial reports for the month ending March 31, 2017.** Vote: Roll call vote, Payson yes, Bulmahn yes, Sanders yes, Schuldt yes, Eaton yes, 2017-05-02, motion carried.

There were no questions on the Road District financials so, **a motion was made by Trustee Payson and seconded by Supervisor Sanders to approve the Road District financial reports for the month ending March 31, 2017.** Vote: Roll call vote, Payson yes, Sanders yes, Bulmahn yes, Schuldt yes, Eaton yes, 2017-05-03, motion carried.

**PRESENTATION OF TOWN AND ROAD FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTH ENDING APRIL 30, 2017.**

There were no questions or comments on either the Town or Road District reports.

**REVIEW AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF TOWNSHIP BILLS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2017**

Following a brief discussion on the pest control bill, **a motion was made by Trustee Bulmahn and seconded by Trustee Payson to approve the Town bills for the month ending April 31, 2017 with gross salaries of \$11,557.61, invoices of \$7,565.60, auto payments of \$307.67, and quick books charges of \$127.50 for a total amount of \$19,558.38.** Vote: Roll call vote, Bulmahn yes,

Payson yes, Eaton yes, Sanders yes, Schuldt yes, 2017-05-04, motion carried.

Trustee Payson had questions regarding the order of and missing checks on the check register. The Supervisor explained that a check

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was written in March so it doesn't appear since this was an April report. Trustee Bulmahn noted that the P & L report shows a different payroll amount from the expense report and the Supervisor said that was due to the Road Commissioners salary going into the following month. **A motion was then made by Trustee Payson and seconded by Trustee Eaton to approve the Road District bills for the month of April 31, 2017 with gross salaries of \$14,264.46, invoices of \$14,465.48, quick books charges of \$98.50 employee insurance reimbursements of \$3,000.00, with income of \$1,818.00 for a total of \$31,828.44.**

Vote: Roll call vote, Payson yes, Eaton yes, Sanders yes, Bulmahn yes, Schuldt yes, 2017-05-04, motion carried.

#### **REPORTS BY OFFICIALS**

The Clerk thanked the Board for having the confidence to appointment her as Clerk, said that is was a pleasure to have worked with them, and that she wished them luck in the future. Trustee Schuldt noted his 12 years serving on the Board and encouraged the new Trustees to read their manual for any needed information as opposed to going to Springfield for any educational seminars. He also said that he felt the Board had accomplished their goals and that they can be proud of their efforts. Trustee Bulmahn echoed Trustee Schuldt and said that as promised the Board had held the line on expenses and that they'd done what they set out to do. He encouraged the new Board to continue fiscal responsibility. Trustee Payson reminded the new Board about the Prevailing Wage law regarding regarding the hiring of independent contractors, that this is not a right to work state, and that the fines are great if we don't follow this law. He also wished them good luck. Trustee Eaton said that it was a pleasure working with this Board and he looks forward to working with the new Board. The Road Commissioner then commented on his budget and its use for the benefit of the taxpayers.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further discussion, **a motion was made by Trustee Schuldt and seconded by Trustee Bulmahn to adjourn the Board Meeting of May 9, 2017 at 8:34pm.** Vote: Voice vote, all ayes, 2017-05-05, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Charleen Carlsen, Township Clerk

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Margaret Sanders, Supervisor

Charleen Carlsen, Trustee

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Thomas Ray Eaton, Trustee

Victor Keegan, Trustee

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Nicholas Hoffman, Trustee