

Aurora Township

Board of Trustees Meeting

Main Offices, 80 North Broadway

Aurora, IL.

Date: Thursday, September 8, 2016

Time: 4:00 P.M.

Minutes

- I. **Call To Order**
Pledge of Allegiance
Invocation
Roll Call and Establish Quorum

A meeting of the Aurora Township Board of Trustees was held at the Aurora Township office, 80 North Broadway, Aurora, IL, at 4 p.m. on Thursday, September 8, 2016. Notice was sent to all members of the Board as required by statute.

Aurora Township Supervisor Bill Catching called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Supervisor Catching led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustee Hicks gave the invocation.

Aurora Township Clerk Jason Owens called the roll with the following Board of Trustees members present: Bill Catching – Supervisor; Trustees: Dolores Hicks, David Moore, Juan Reyna, Juanita Wells.

Clerk Jason Owens – Present.

Assessor Davis Offutt – Present.

Highway Commissioner John Shoemaker – Present.

Staff and Public present – see attached.

- II. Motion to approve the minutes of the regular Board meeting held on August 25, 2016 made by Supervisor Catching, seconded by Trustee Reyna. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

III. Approval and/or Audit of Township and Road District Bills.

- a. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Hicks to approve the Town Fund bills in the amount of **\$80,340.43**. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- b. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore to approve the Road & Bridge Fund bills in the amount of **\$13,998.49**. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- c. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Wells to approve the General Assistance Fund bills in the amount of **\$5,736.02**. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- d. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Reyna to approve the Mental Health Fund bills in the amount of **\$366,080.79**. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- e. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Hicks to approve the Equipment & Building Fund bills in the amount of **\$1,605.00**. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- f. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore to approve the combined IMRF and Road & Bridge IMRF Funds bills in the amount of **\$11,437.06**. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- g. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Wells to approve the combined Social Security and Road & Bridge Social Security bills in the amount of **\$5,426.79**. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

IV. Reports

- a. **Assessor's Report** – Report attached. Summary: Assessor Offutt reported that 75 Board of Review filings were made, but he expects more to follow as the County hasn't processed most of the requests yet.
- b. **Highway Commissioner's Report** – John Shoemaker. Summary: Commissioner Shoemaker reported that work began on the Sartor Avenue drainage project which will move the water away from the homes on the west side of Sartor to the east side where no homes exist. Shoemaker mentioned an issue with one of the lawn service residents that was serious enough to bring to the Board's attention. Clerk Owens explained that the resident was taking videos of the lawn crew (after being asked to stop) and had made several remarks that were insensitive to the crew members. Shoemaker mentioned that the Board creates the list, so he can't remove anyone. The trustees were all in agreement that the resident should be removed immediately from the list. Supervisor Catching said he would send out a letter to the resident informing him of the Board's decision.
- c. **Supervisor's Report** – Bill Catching. Summary: Supervisor Catching reported that he is working on gathering quotes for tree removal on the 200 block of Ohio. Catching also reported that Critical Key submitted a CDAP loan application. He will set up a CDAP

loan committee meeting for next week. Catching said he knows several of the parties involved on both sides of the transaction, so he will likely recuse himself from serving on the review committee. Catching reported that Vanessa Aguirre, a commercial lender from Old Second National Bank, has reviewed the application and is prepared to make a recommendation to the review committee.

- d. **Ride in Kane Manager's Report** – Melissa Wilmot. Report attached. Summary: Ms. Wilmot reported that August was a slow month. Ms. Wilmot also reported that there were a couple of incidents of verbal abuse of the drivers by riders. The RIK office is sending out letters to these residents to inform them of the consequences of continued misconduct. Ms. Wilmot also reported that there were several instances of PACE re-assigning Aurora Township rides to non-AT service providers after daily routes had been planned. Wilmot and Semmler have contact PACE about this practice. Finally, Ms. Wilmot reported that driver phones would need to be upgraded soon due to a Verizon Wireless update to its Push-to-Talk network. Supervisor Catching reported that he attended the quarterly meeting for the RIK stakeholders and AID staff will send on monthly reports of activity at the start of each month. PACE typically provides these reports about three months later.
- e. **Youth Services Director's Report** – Scot Thurman. Report attached. Summary: Mr. Thurman reported that the United Way Cardboard Boat Race event went well and, while the boat didn't sink, it didn't move very far either. Mr. Thurman said he and the staff are getting ready for the beginning of fall after-school programs. He also reported that the soccer tournament held over Labor Day weekend was a success. Trustee Wells asked how the summer meal program fared. Mr. Thurman said that he thought it went well, with very few issues with the food or deliveries. Mr. Thurman anticipates having most of the remaining summer lunch reimbursement requests submitted to the State of IL by the next Board of Trustees meeting.

V. Unfinished Business

None.

VI. New Business

- a. **Resolution 2016-24 Aurora Township Parking Restriction Bangs Street.**

Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Reyna to pass Resolution 2016-24 Aurora Township Parking Restriction Bangs Street.

Discussion: Commissioner Shoemaker said that this ordinance was required to allow the Kane County Department of Transportation to approve a No Parking sign to be posted which then allows the Kane County Sheriff's department to enforce the state statute that prohibits parking within 30 feet of a stop sign.

Clerk Owens called the roll with the following Board of Trustees members voting "Yes": Supervisor Bill Catching, Trustee Delores Hicks, Trustee David Moore, Trustee Juan Reyna and Trustee Juanita Wells. Ordinance passed.

b. Resolution 2016-25 Aurora Township Parking Restriction Melrose Avenue

Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Reyna to pass Resolution 2016-25 Aurora Township Parking Restriction Melrose Avenue.

Discussion: Commissioner Shoemaker said that this ordinance was required to allow the Kane County Department of Transportation to approve a No Parking sign to be posted which then allows the Kane County Sheriff's department to enforce the state statute that prohibits parking within 30 feet of a stop sign.

Clerk Owens called the roll with the following Board of Trustees members voting "Yes": Supervisor Bill Catching, Trustee Delores Hicks, Trustee David Moore, Trustee Juan Reyna and Trustee Juanita Wells. Ordinance passed.

VII. Board Member Comments

None.

VIII. Public Comments

None.

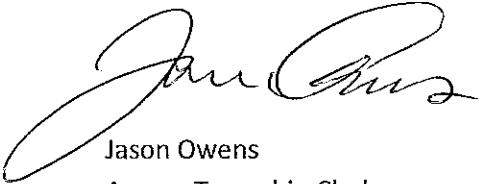
IX. Announcements

- a. Aurora Hispanic Heritage Advisory Board's Fiestas Patrias celebration takes place in downtown Aurora on September 10th and 11th. The celebration includes a concert at RiverEdge Park on Saturday and a parade and festival on Sunday.
- b. Pioneer's Breakfast will be held on September 15. Guest speaker is Judge Rene Cruz, recently appointed Circuit Judge of the 16th Judicial Circuit, 1st SubCircuit.
- c. Fox Valley Christian Ministerial Alliance will host its annual Scholarship Banquet at Gaslite Manor at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, October 21.
- d. Aurora Actionaires will host its 41st Annual Benefit Dinner at Gaslite Manor on Saturday, November 12 at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are available for \$60/person or \$550/table of ten.

- X. **Adjournment** – Motion for adjournment made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Hicks. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote at 4:26 p.m.

Next regular Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 22, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. at Aurora Township Office, 80 N. Broadway, Aurora, IL.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jason Owens", written in a cursive style.

Jason Owens
Aurora Township Clerk

**AURORA TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES' MEETING
ATTENDANCE - SIGN-IN**

DATE: September 8, 2016

Name	Organization	Address	Phone or E-mail address
Peggy Hicks			
Elizabeth Wilmet			
Patty Richardson			