

AURORA TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
MAIN OFFICES: 80 N. BROADWAY
AURORA, ILLINOIS

Date: OCTOBER 25, 2012

Time: 4:00 p.m.

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGENCE

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, and Illinois at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 25, 2012. Notice was sent to all members of the Board as required by statute.

Aurora Township Supervisor Christina Campos called the meeting to order. Supervisor Campos led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Aurora Township Clerk Herbert Hill called the roll with the following Board of Trustees members present: Bill Catching, Delores Hicks, Christina Campos, David Moore, and Mark Semmler also Commissioner John Shoemaker and Staff present: Vickie Marques.

Public Present: Please see attached.

**II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF
October 11, 2012.**

A motion to approve the Minutes of the **regular meeting** held on Thursday **October 11, 2012** was made by Christina Campos and seconded by David Moore. Motion carried. (Voice Vote)

III. APPROVAL AND/OR AUDIT OF TOWNSHIP AND ROAD DISTRICT BILLS

A motion to approve **the Town Bills** in the amount of \$69,917.31 was made by Christina Campos with a second by David Moore. Motion carried. (Voice Vote)

A motion to approve the **Road and Bridge Bills** in the amount of \$7,622.87 was made by Christina Campos with a second by Delores Hicks. Motion carried. (Voice Vote)

A motion to approve the **General Assistance Bills** in the amount of \$9,632.89 was made by Christina Campos with a second by David Moore. Motion carried. (Voice Vote)

A motion to approve the **Mental Health Fund Bills** in the amount of \$152,813.53 was made by Christina Campos, and seconded by Delores Hicks. Motion carried. (Voice vote)

A motion to approve **the COMBINED IMRF BILL** and the **R&B IMRF Bill** in the amount of \$10,166.36 was made by Christina Campos and seconded by Delores Hicks. Motion carried. (Voice Vote)

A motion to approve **the COMBINED SOCIAL SECURITY BILL** and the **ROAD & BRIDGE SOCIAL SECURITY Bill** in the amount of \$6,033.82 was made by Christina Campos and seconded by David Moore. Motion carried. (Voice Vote)

A motion to approve the **JOINT BRIDGE BILLS** in the amount of \$162.28 was made by Christina Campos with a second by Delores Hicks. Motion carried. (Voice Vote)

IV. REPORTS

1. Assessor's Report

Mr. Offutt submitted a written report consisting of two (2) pages. Please see attachment.

2. Highway Commissioner's Report

John Shoemaker reported that his department is finished brush pick up.

Mr. Shoemaker also reported that there were a few late pick-ups because of rain delays.

Mr. Shoemaker further reported that his dept. was looking into making changes for beat juice process at a lower price. The decision should be made in the next few weeks

3. Code Enforcement Officer's Report

See attached two (2) pages written report by Mr. Hector Benavides.

4. Supervisor's Report

Supervisor Campos presented written "Ride-in Kane" and September 2012 general assistance information.

Ms. Campos also reported that the electricity aggregation meetings were well appreciated. Ms. Campos also acknowledged that the Township received thank you notes from Constitution House, and the Funding Consortium grants.

5. Committee Reports: Seniors

Delores Hicks reported that on November 16, 2012 at 6:00 pm. Senior Services Annual Pie Auction will be held at the Prisco Center.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Roof Repairs at Youth & Community Center, Guest Speaker Mr. Kevin Reams from Ream Hauser Architects

Atty. Edwin Trinta advised that he had received packets for bidding and he is in the process of determining compliance.

Mr. Kevin Ream stated that he made contact with the manufacturers for construction, and that plans were about 98% complete. Upon compliance determination from Atty. Trinta they will be ready to go to bid next week.

Trustee Hicks asked after bids were done when will work start?

Mr. Ream stated that a bidding period of 10 days was required and thereafter construction would start in mid December.

Atty. Trinta stated that bids must be out for at least 30 days.

Christina Campos stated that once it's reviewed by Kevin (Reams) and Edwin (Atty. Trinta) it will be presented to the board.

Trustee Catching suggested that a "Special Board Meeting" to consider the bid package would be advisable.

The bid process was explained by Atty. Trinta and Kevin Reams. Mr. Reams further stated that the process could be compressed into two (2) weeks instead of 30 days as the process goes.

B. Resolution 2012-06 Compensation for Aurora Township Elected Officials

“There should be no changes in salary”, was the recommendation by Trustees David Moore and Mark Semmler.

Mr. Semmler suggested that the resolution setting compensation for elected officials for the four (4) year term beginning May 20, 2012 should be amended to reflect a change for the Roar District Treasurer from \$1,000 to \$100. The motion was seconded by David Moore and was approved by the board. Roll Call Vote. All Trustees voting YES. Motion carried.

C. Community Center Rental Agreement

The proposed “Facility Rental Policy and Procedures” agreement submitted for board consideration was explained by Christina Campos noting that the items highlighted in red were up for consideration.

Trustee David Moore stated that he believed that more time was needed to review the proposal.

Trustee Hicks stated that she was not in favor of the changes.

Mr. Moore questioned how item # 13 would be enforced, and further expressed apprehension about moving forward on the proposal without further review.

Christina Campos stated that she sent e-mails to the Trustees regarding the changes and received no response. Supervisor Campos further stated that TOIRMA needed a resolution on the proposal.

Trustee Hicks offered that she had questions on items # 14 and 15.

Supervisor Campos stated that the liability issues were necessary for everyone and should be resolved.

Mr. Moore reiterated his questions about groups were treated in the past relative to the treatment suggested in the proposal. He would like to see if insurance was previously provided and whether it should be compelled in requiring one (1) million in coverage.

Mr. Moore moved to table the proposal for further consideration.

Supervisor Campos asked for the Trustees to reduce their concerns to writing.

The question presented concerned whether groups participating in the use of the center in the past – did they have 1 mil in insurance and should they now be compelled to obtain it?

Considering the present economy and the fact that the groups are not for profit should they be compelled to provide this coverage?

Bill Catching offered that this requirement did not come from TOIRMA, it came from the Supervisor's office three and a half (3 1/2) years into term.

Mr. Catching further stated that this situation came about recently by someone seeking to use the facility that felt this requirement was discriminatory.

Mr. Catching would also move to table consideration of the proposal, seconded by David Moore for the next board meeting. Motion carried. (Voice vote)

Delores Hicks also questioned the urgency of this measure when it wasn't urgent in the past.

Mr. Semmler asked how many organizations are using the facility and who are they that would be impacted by the 1-mil requirement?

NEW BUSINESS

A. Kane County Development & Resource Management Department, Christy Sabdo

Ms. Sabdo explained that the County has received a \$40 K grant to implement the "2040 Plan". The "Walkability Plans" relate to the Townships of Aurora, Dundee, and St. Charles, and is designed to provide community health with land use and transportation issues.

Ms. Sabdo presented a brochure in explanation of the plan and a over view map of the subject areas in Aurora Township that are targeted, including; Crane St., the Johnson School area, Liberty St./ Canal St, Eastern Ave., the intersection of Farnsworth and New York, Oakhurst Garden Plots and 5th Ave/McCoy, among others. See brochure and maps.

The overhead area map displayed Crane St. where children are walking to school without sidewalks, and gave explanation of the proposed improvements.

Ms. Sabdo explained that she had previously met with Supervisor Campos and John Shoemaker to discuss areas of interest involving need for improved sidewalks. After the study is completed additional grant money can be applied for.

Mr. Al; Talip made observation of the area of need along Crane St.

Christina Campos explained that the needs from the Township walkability plan must be done by Dec. Recommendations should be made and Supervisor Campos suggested that we should start at Johnson School

PUBLIC COMMENTS

NONE

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. Electrical Aggregation Information Meetings: October 30th, 2012 at 6 pm at Aurora Township Offices.
- B. Election Day: Tuesday, Nov. 6, 2012
- C. Deferred Action Workshop, Saturday, October 27, 2012 from 1-4 pm. At Aurora Township Youth Center. Event sponsored by Linda Chapa-LaVia, World Relief and Aurora Township.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - MOTION by Christina Campos seconded by Bill Catching to move into executive session, 5:00 pm. Roll Call. All Trustees voting YES. Motion carried.

Motion to Reconvene to Open Session by Christina Campos seconded by Bill Catching, 5:10 pm. Roll Call. All Trustees voting YES. Motion Carried

Motion To Adjourn by Bill Catching seconded by Delores Hicks, 5:10 pm. Motion carried.
(Voice vote)

VII. NEXT MEETING THURSDAY, November 8, 2012 at 4:00 p.m., at the Aurora Township Offices.

Respectfully Submitted,


Herbert Hill

Aurora Township Clerk