

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF KANE) SS
TOWN OF AURORA)

MINUTES OF MARCH 25, 2010

I. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

A meeting of the Aurora Township Board of Trustees was held at the Aurora Township office, 80 North Broadway, Aurora, Illinois at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 25, 2010. 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, Archie Needam submitted his resignation February 25, 2010. A motion was made by Christina Campos and seconded by Monica Silva that Suely Ann Cabral be appointed clerk pro-tem.
The motion carried. (voice vote)

Suely Cabral did the roll call with the following members present: Bill Catching, Dolores Hicks, Christina Campos, Monica Silva, David Moore, and Highway Commissioner, John Shoemaker.

Public Present: please see attachment.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING OF March 11, 2010

A motion to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting held on Thursday March 11, 2010, was made by David Moore with a second by Dolores Hicks provided that the following correction is made under the Clerk category: Dolores Hicks said that the deadline was not met before we closed the clerk's position.

Motion carried. (voice vote)

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

A motion to approve the Town Bills in the amount of \$38,914.40 was made by Dolores Hicks with a second by Monica Silva.
Motion carried. (voice vote)

A motion to audit the Road and Bridge bills in the amount of \$18, 172 .38 was made by Monica Silva and seconded by Dolores Hicks.
Motion carried. (voice vote)

A motion to audit the General Assistance bills in the amount of \$4,505.67 was made by Monica Silva and seconded by David Moore.
Motion carried. (voice vote)

A combined motion to approve the IMRF bill in the amount of \$6,031.86 and the R&B IMRF bill in the amount of \$1,312.67 was made by Monica Silva and seconded by Dolores Hicks.

Motion carried. (voice vote)

A combined motion to approve the Social Security bill in the amount of \$4,616.06 and the Road & Bridge Social Security bill in the amount of \$897.62 was made by David Moore and seconded by Dolores Hicks.

Motion carried. (voice vote)

A motion to audit the Equipment and Building bills in the amount of 92,036.50 was made by Bill Catching and seconded by Dolores Hicks.

Motion carried. (voice vote)

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

V. REPORTS

1. **Assessor Report: Davis Offutt**

Mr. Offutt submitted a written report. Please see attachments.

2. Highway Commissioner, John Shoemaker

- Highway Commissioner Shoemaker presented the board with a check in the amount of \$60,000.00. He said that former Highway Comm. Fred Burgess had begun the application process through the assistance of State Representative Linda Chapa LaVia. These funds will be used to patch up roads.
- He said that they will take delivery of the last of the Salt that was ordered. This fulfills 120% of the contract to save on next falls need. He said that the salt shed will be full.
- Highway Commissioner Shoemaker said that he is working on his annual report and will deliver it to the board within the next 10 days.
- He said that a mailer regarding brush pick –up will go out to the residents and if it is not returned back their brush will not be picked up. When the permit is filled out they will come out to issue a 20 foot area on which to stack their brush.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

Town Fund

Request to transfer funds: A motion was made by Supervisor Campos and seconded by Monica Silva to discuss and vote on the transfer of town funds in the amount of 75, 200.00. The motion was done by roll call – voice vote in the following order.

Bill Catching yes Dolores Hicks yes Christina Campos yes

Monica Silva yes David Moore yes

The motion carried by unanimous vote.

General Assistance Fund

Request to transfer General Assistance funds: A motion was made by Bill Catching and seconded by David Moore to discuss and vote on the transfer of General Assistance funds in the amount of 17, 010.00. The motion was done by roll call – voice vote in the following order.

Bill Catching yes Dolores Hicks yes Christina Campos yes
Monica Silva yes David Moore yes

The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Road & Bridge Fund

Request to transfer Road & Bridge funds: A motion was made by Monica Silva and seconded by David Moore to discuss and vote on the transfer of Road & Bridge funds in the amount of 1962.83. The motion was done by roll call – voice vote in the following order.

Bill Catching yes Dolores Hicks yes Christina Campos yes
Monica Silva yes David Moore yes

The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Aurora Township Clerk

Supervisor Campos said that the role of the clerk is a very important role. She thanked all of the candidates for their interest in the position of the Town Clerk. Supervisor Campos set a 3 minute guideline for each of the candidates to address the board.

The following applicants: Norma De Leon, Angie Greviskes and Kinny Tyson, and Jerrie Donelson were not able to be present but submitted their resumes.

Theresa E. Barreiro:

Born / raised in Aurora; has worked for Kane County Clerk's office for 6 yrs; has worked for the City of Aurora, is familiar with Minutes and Agenda's was involved in historic planning and the River-walk. Then got to stay at home and has been a volunteer and a Home & School board member. She likes public service and has always enjoyed working in the public sector.

Mavis Bates:

Ms. Bates said that she is well known in the community. The board has had her resume. She has raised 2 daughters. She said that she would like to be more involved in community service especially with the seniors, the youth and the economically distressed.

The Youth program is great and it provides many services. Senior citizens programs are critically important. The adult programs are vitally important. She appreciates that the township takes compassion in helping the community and would like to applaud the township in helping the economically distressed.

Donna R. Dacko:

Ms. Dacko said that she was a Legal Administrative Assistant for 15 years. More recently she has become involved in politics with Alderman Stephanie Kifowit. She said that her background covered working with lawyers, judges and clerks. She served as a precinct committee man in Batavia. She said that she has experience in working with legal documents and would like to be more involved with the community and has good customer skills.

Daniel A. Gorman:

Mr. Gorman said that he could come up with 4 reasons why he is the best candidate; 1.) He has lived in this area for 32 years. He was born and raised in Chicago. He has been retired for 4 years. 2.) In the 30 years that he has lived in Chicago he was in the Army. He is a registered Democrat. 3.) He is already doing what the Clerk does at the VFW Post on Indian Trail in Aurora. He takes the minutes and goes home and records them in Microsoft Word. He is also the Quarter Master Elect – writing checks and paying bills. He wants the position and to be part of the Township team. 4.) He said that he is very service oriented and would like to continue it through service in government.

Trina Hathorne:

Ms. Hathorne is an accountant (10yrs). She does accounting for small businesses. At one time she had a longer project in Chicago through the Attorney General's office; and participated in a surprise audit for the Chicago Public Schools. She also fills in as a substitute teacher. She is currently enrolled in Spanish classes. She has 3 children, is divorced, is 40 years old and has been in business for 15 years. She said that she is always looking for an opportunity to serve. She is a liaison for the Illinois CPA Society.

Angela Moore:

Ms. Moore said that she is 26 years old. She was born and raised in Aurora, Illinois. She has a Bachelors degree. She is a people person, very driven and dependable. Her goal for the future is to return to school for her Masters Degree, get married and have children. She said that she would like the opportunity to make a positive contribution to this organization.

Herbert Hill:

Mr. Hill said that he has been an attorney for 41 years. In 1964 he served as a teacher at Mc Cleary School. As a teacher he went to law school at night. From 1964 – 1974 he worked for the City of Aurora. He has taught business law. He feels that he could also function on an Advisory capacity to the trustees. He said that he has the ability to take notes and to make sure that everything is taken care of. He said that his position as Trial lawyer would not be a barrier in fulfilling this position.

Brian Pollock:

Mr. Pollock thanked the board for the opportunity to address them and thanked Mr. Needam for his service. He said that as an attorney he brings many things to the table; his knowledge in levy's FOIA's etc. He said that he has been to very township meeting for the last 5 years.

Because the Clerk is a non-voting member he sees the Clerk as the glue in this organization. He is tech savvy and can get the minutes done on a timely basis. He will help publicize the events that the township is involved in. He was involved in the Fashion Show, and will help out with the Senior Health Fair.

Mr. Pollock recalled a previous meeting when the township entered into a contract with PACE to lend a bus to AID. The contract, as originally written, did not have a clause that protected the Township if AID was responsible for an accident. As the Board prepared to authorize Supervisor Murphy to enter into the contract, Mr. Pollock asked if the contract had an indemnification clause to protect the Township. It did not, and the contract was sent back to have it added.

James C. Renzetti:

Mr. Renzetti said that his degree is in Political Science with a concentration in urban politics. Previously he was the president for the Political Society at UIC. He is the Co-Director of a dance group. He has turned the business into a not-for-profit. He is in charge of the marketing, booking locations and national exposure. They have opened their own dance studio and employ 20 people. He said that he has great communication skills and feels that he would make a great candidate.

Alan Schuler

Mr. Schuler said that he is a life long Democrat and resident of the City of Aurora. He received his degree in Accounting at Aurora University. He is a member of the Juvenile Protective Association. He is a co-founder of the Aurora Catholic Association. He has been a member of the Police Foundation for 15 years. He has been a member of the Aurora Housing Authority for 12 years. He has been a Committeeman in the 1st Ward for 10 years. He has been involved in Bill Foster, Linda Holmes, Linda Chapa-LaVia, Jim Murphy, and Jerry Jones political campaigns. He said that he understands the job of the township clerk.

Johnnie Schultz (Jack)

Mr. Schultz is a Riverfront Play house member. He has lived in Aurora for 34 – 35 years. He is always looking to stay busy. He retired at 55 years and feels that he has a lot of spare time to fulfill the duties of Clerk. He and his wife are in charge of the Riverfront Playhouse. He is looking into taking on his own business but first would like the opportunity to work in the public sector. He said that he has a very strong background in political science.

Phyllis Wells:

Ms Wells said that she has been a resident of Aurora for the last 7 years. She said that between herself and her husband they have 5 children. She was born and raised on a farm. Previously, she has worked for the FBI for 5 years. She has worked in criminal investigation for the Illinois State Police. She is a member of the Moose, VFW and the Turner Club; ladies auxiliary. She has worked for Attorney, Michael Funkey. She said that she is very organized and dependable.

A motion to go into Executive Session to discuss the appointment of Township Clerk was made at 4:45 p.m. by David Moore with a second by Dolores Hicks.

Clerk Pro – Tem Cabral did a roll call for the motion as follows:

Bill Catching <u>yes</u>	Dolores Hicks <u>yes</u>	Christina Campos <u>yes</u>
Monica Silva <u>yes</u>	David Moore <u>yes</u>	
Motion carried	(voice vote)	

The board returned to regular session at 5:32 p.m. Monica Silva made a motion to return to regular session with a second by David Moore.

Motion carried. (voice vote)

Supervisor Campos thanked everyone for their patience and for taking the time to come out. Bill Catching also thanked everyone and said that they were back there for quite a while. Dolores Hicks asked everyone about volunteering and extended all an invitation to volunteer at the Youth Center. David Moore thanked everyone and said that it was a difficult decision, that everyone had outstanding resumes. He

was sorry that they could not select all of them. Dolores Hicks said that all resumes were so good and to please come back to the meetings.

A motion to appoint Herbert Hill as the Aurora Township Clerk was made by Bill Catching with a second by David Moore. Pro – Tem Clerk, Cabral did a roll call in the following order:

Bill Catching yes Dolores Hicks yes Christina Campos abstain
Monica Silva abstain David Moore yes
The motion carried. (voice vote)

Mr. Hill was sworn in and given the oath of office by Pro – Tem Clerk and Public Notary Suely Ann Cabral.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Supervisor Campos said that CIS will oversee the Youth program.
April 10th Kiwanis is hosting a clean up day and needs volunteers.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn this meeting was made by David Moore with a second by Monica Silva. The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.
Motion carried. (voice vote)

Respectfully submitted.
Suely Ann Cabral

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Clerk Pro-Tem