

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

AURORA, ILLINOIS

Date: JUNE 14, 2012

Time: 4:00 p.m.

AMENDED 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 Tuesday, June 14, 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 present was Aurora Township Highway Commissioner John Shoemaker. Staff present: Justine Kopytov and Vickie Marques.

Public Present: Please see attached.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF May 24, 2012.

A motion to approve the Minutes of the **regular meeting** held on Thursday **May 24, 2012** was made by Christina Campos and seconded by David Moore. Motion carried, subject to amendment.

(Voice Vote)

A motion to advance the report of Dan Taylor under New Business regarding the Gymnasium flooring at the Youth Center was made by Christina Campos and seconded by David Moore. Motion carried.

(Voice vote)

Mr. Taylor discussed flooring for the Youth Center, and presented flooring samples together with underlay underneath the flooring. He presented a rolodex of color samples, and expressed his preference for ground sand and blue base.

Opening the discussion for questions, Mr. Moore questioned the coloration for safety purposes. Mr. Taylor stated that this concern was accommodated by the sand and blue base scheme.

Delores Hicks expressed her joy for something new at the Youth Center, stating that the color scheme would add to the overall consideration of the Center.

Bill Catching asked for the cost of the flooring and Mr. Taylor stated that it would be \$25,000.00 with a 12-13 year warranty. Further stating that the pieces making up the flooring were easily removable.

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

A motion to approve **the Town Bills** in the amount of \$111,233.70 was made by Delores Hicks with a second by Bill Catching. Motion carried. (Voice Vote)

A motion to approve the **Road and Bridge Bills** in the amount of \$14,705.13 was made by Christina Campos with a second by Bill Catching. Motion carried. (Voice Vote)

A motion to approve the **General Assistance Bills** in the amount of \$8,009.18 was made by Christina Campos with a second 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 \$9,810.92 was made by Christina Campos and seconded by David Moore. Motion carried. (Voice Vote)

A motion to approve **the COMBINED SOCIAL SECURITY BILL** and the **ROAD & BRIDGE SOCIAL SECURITY Bill** in the amount of \$5,712.47 was made by Christina Campos and seconded by Delores Hicks. Motion carried. (Voice Vote)

A motion to approve the **JOINT BRIDGE Fund** in the amount of \$56.35 was made by Christina Campos with a second by David Moore. Motion carried. (Voice Vote)

IV. REPORTS

1. Assessor's Report

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

2. Highway Commissioner's Report

Mr. Shoemaker reported that his department was busy, busy, busy. The bridge project was approved and was 30% completed.

Resurfacing was approved by the county board on last Tuesday (June 5, 2012), provided the department with the opportunity to finish the culvert work. Resurfacing will follow. Everything else seems to be in line, and if the weather holds the department should be finished by the 1st of July.

3. Youth Services Director's Report

Justine Kopytov, director of Youth Services, also submitted a written report.
(See attached).

Mrs. Kopytov also explained that twelve (12) people were hired for the summer lunch program.

Vickie Marques discussed the operation of the summer lunch program, and also explained that the breakfast program must be adjusted.

Christina Campos asked for the total cites. Ms. Marques explained that the total was down to 19 from a high of 21 cites.

Delores Hicks asked if the Center was in the process of adding cites. Ms. Marques explained that additional cites can be added up to August 1, 2012.

4. Committee Reports: Youth Services and Inc Board

Youth Services: Mr. Semmler announced that Youth Services will present a fundraiser on June 25, 2012, featuring Fay's Pork Chop Bar-B-Que. See attached brochure.

Mr. David Moore reported that the Inc Board was alive and well. See attached letter of 6/11/12.

Christina Campos added that she talked to Mr. Murphy regarding adding two (2) people for reappointment on the next agenda.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

A. Presentation by Dan Taylor – advanced above.

B. Ordinance 2012-02 Prevailing Wage Act.

A motion was made by Christina Campos and seconded by David Moore to approve Ordinance 2012-2: Prevailing Wage Act. Motion carried.
(Voice vote)

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Al Talip addressed the issue of roads and sidewalks. 1714 Indian Ave. Mr. Talip spoke on repairing the sidewalk at this location, and wants to know who and how this work is going to be completed. He's getting no assistance from the Trustees.

Mr. Talip also wants the street to be repaired, and has been provided no answers on these issues by the Trustees.

Mr. David Moore asked how much of the sidewalk is to be done.

Mr. John Shoemaker advised that he spoke to the City regarding the sidewalk since apart of the sidewalk work is under the City's jurisdiction.

An agreement was reached to partner in the resurfacing on one side from Indian Ave.

Mr. Shoemaker advised that although meetings were scheduled with the City, the City has cancelled the meetings and nothing has been rescheduled and no action was taken.

Mr. Shoemaker explained that Indian Ave is a problem because of the needs around that area. Edges and potholes, etc.

Mr. shoemaker further explained that his department has expended 1.5 mil on roads covering 15 years of work in a three (3) year period. Most of the completed work involved roads in greater need.

Mrs. Rachel Renteria commented that the roadway problem involved directional travel. That the roadway should be open and accessible to ease turning at Oakview and New York St.

Mr. Talip continued to express his issue on the sidewalk at Liberty St. he has spoken to Alderwoman Hart, Jerry Jones (formerly of the County), and the City and has received no answers.

Mr. Rutilio Talip spoke on the issue of streetlights at Indian Ave.

Mr. Shoemaker responded to all complaints.

Mr. Renteria raised the issue of the 274 Oakview Drainage problem. Mr. Shoemaker responded that he was aware of it and was trying to accommodate the issue to resolve the problem.

Mr. David Moore asked Mr. Talip if there was a paper trail to list the problems raised by Mr. Talip's concerns. Was there a written complaint to the Supervisor?

Delores Hicks explained that the Trustees were unaware of these issues, since no complaint was made to the Trustees.

Mr. Moore continued to state that the issues raised should have been communicated to the Trustees / Supervisor in writing so that the Trustees could determine the responsibilities between the City, County or the Township to act. Both Mr. Moore and Ms. Hicks were unaware of the problems raised by Mr. Talip's concerns.

Mr. Moore reiterated that a paper trail of the issues was necessary to consider budgetary questions and the various problems existing in the neighborhoods as they affected the safety issues involving the kids in the area.

Supervisor Campos suggested that a committee with Mr. Talip, other residents, and certain Trustees be established to meet with the City to try and resolve the issues.

Mrs. Renteria further complained that cars parking in the area creates a problem causing the kids to walk in the street.

Supervisor together with Mr. Shoemaker expressed that the problem with parking has been resolved as of today.

Supervisor Campos explained that she was going to establish a committee to discuss the issues and attempt to resolve the problems. The dialog would be continued.

Mr. Moore requested that when the committee meets, please let the board know what's happening so that the Trustees can determine what actions are needed. Keep us informed in writing.

Mr. Moore expressed that his concern was to accommodate the needs of all of the citizens of the Township and that as a public servant for the Township, we cannot accomplish this goal if the board is not advised of the issues causing concern.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Community Outreach: Farmer's Market Shopping Workshop, June 21st from 7-8 pm at the Youth Center.

B. The Foundation for Aurora Township Senior and Youth Services Fay's Bar-B-Que Fundraising dinner, Monday June 25, 2012 from 4:30 to 7:00 pm at the Youth Center.

C. Aurora Township Budget and Highway Budget Hearings, June 28, 2012 at 3:30 pm/

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Christina Campos and seconded by Delores Hicks. Motion carried (Voice vote), and the Meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

VII. NEXT MEETING THURSDAY, June 28, 2012 at 4:00 p.m., at the Aurora Township Offices.

Respectfully Submitted,


Herbert Hill

Aurora Township Clerk