

**AURORA TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
80 NORTH BROADWAY
AURORA, IL 60505**

**MINUTES OF THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2007 BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING**

- I. Supervisor Jim Murphy called the meeting to order at 4:00pm. He then led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance. The following Board of Trustees members were present: Annie Craig, Christina Campos, and John Shoemaker, Dr. Monica Silva. Also present: Highway Commissioner Fred Burgess. **Staff Present:** Frank Paull, Clarence Robinson, Vicki Marques, and Ismael Espiricueta. **Also present:** Kevin Stutz from the Kane County Sheriff's Office.

- II. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSEES MEETING ON AUGUST 23, 2007.**
 1. There was a motion by Trustee Craig and seconded by Trustee Shoemaker to approve the Board of Trustee regular meeting minutes as amended from August 23, 2007. Motion carried by voice vote.

- III. **APPROVAL AND/OR AUDIT OF TOWNSHIP AND ROAD DISTRICT BILLS**
 1. There was a motion by Trustee Shoemaker and seconded by Trustee Campos to approve Town bills in the amount of **\$67,762.80**. After a discussion for clarification of certain line items, motion carried by voice vote.
 2. There was a motion by Trustee Campos and seconded by Trustee Craig to audit Road & Bridge bills of **\$7,251.66**. Motion carried by voice vote.
 3. There was a motion by Trustee Shoemaker and seconded by Trustee Craig to audit General Assistance bills of **\$7,122.84**. Motion carried by voice vote.
 4. There was a motion by Trustee Shoemaker and seconded by Trustee Craig to audit and approve Township Payroll bills. These bills include **IMRF: \$4,557.22; SOCIAL SECURITY \$3,993.55; R & B SOCIAL SECURITY \$690.40; R & B IMRF \$897.08**. Motion carried by voice vote.

5. There was a motion by Trustee Campos and seconded by Trustee Shoemaker to approve Mental Health bills of **\$67,313.85**. Motion carried by voice vote.
6. There was a motion by Trustee Campos and seconded by Trustee Shoemaker to audit Equipment & Building bills of **\$16,600**. Motion carried by voice vote.

IV. REPORTS

1. Lt. Kevin Stutz from the Kane County Sheriff's office informed the Board that he would attempt to attend one Township meeting per month. He is located at the Kane County Sheriff's substation on Farnsworth Ave. He distributed to the Board a report detailing the number of incidents during the month of August in Aurora Township. These incidents included citations and parking violations.
2. The Youth Department submitted a written report and Vicki Marques and Ismael Espiricueta highlighted several sections of their report. Mr. Espiricueta was introduced as the new Youth Department Director and gave a general overview of his vision for the Department. He is currently conducting interviews to fill certain staffing needs within the Department.
3. Highway Commissioner Burgess reported that certain culverts had collapsed in the Township; he recently put in a new sewer; he treated the catch basin for mosquitoes; he also updated the Board on the stoplight work being completed on Farnsworth & 5th Ave. Commissioner Burgess also has placed 10-day notices on houses where residents have not removed their brush. The Township was reimbursed \$6,000.00 for the work completed on Cohen & Mitchell Road. The Township and the City of Aurora are in negotiations regarding snow plowing. He also informed the Board that he had recently completed Reasonable Suspicion Training.
4. Assessor Davis Offutt submitted a written report.

V. OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor Murphy led the Board in a discussion of a 708 Inc. allocation. He distributed to the Board a history of the tax levies in Aurora Township. He also passed out a balance sheet of Township income and expenses dating back to 2004. He showed how the Township's reverse fund has fluctuated over the past few years and that has impacted the Township's ability to allocate additional resources to local agencies. Supervisor Murphy agreed to communicate the Board's discussion to the Jerry Murphy the Executive Director of 708 Inc.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

After a brief discussion regarding the Youth Protection Policy, the Board agreed to table the approval of the policy in order for all Trustees to review the current draft.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Trustee Campos mentioned she recently road on Dial-A-Ride and encouraged other Board members to do the same.

Clerk Thomas announced that the Board should be prepared to do its 6-month review of closed executive session meeting minutes at the first regular Board of Trustees meeting in October.

The Hispanic Pioneers Breakfast will be held Friday, September 14th in Aurora from 7:00am-9:00am.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

IX. ADJOURMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Craig and seconded by Trustee Silva. The motion carried by voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 5:35pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 27, 2007 at 4:00pm in the Township office.

Respectfully submitted,

Juan R.Thomas
Aurora Township Clerk

