

AURORA TOWNSHIP

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

MAIN OFFICES, 80 NORTH BROADWAY, AURORA, IL

Thursday, January 8, 2015

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, Illinois, at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 8, 2015. Notice was sent to all members of the Board as required by statute.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor William Catching at 4:00 P.M. Supervisor Catching led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustee Dolores Hicks gave the Invocation.

Aurora Township Clerk Ken Christy called the roll with the following board members present: William Catching – Supervisor, Trustees: Dolores Hicks, Juanita Wells, David Moore, and Juan Reyna. Assessor Davis Offutt and Highway Commissioner John Shoemaker were also present. Staff and Public present – as attached.

II. Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on December 23, 2014 was made by Supervisor Catching, seconded by David Moore. The motion passed 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 Wells to approve the Town Bills in the amount of \$10,147.61. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- B. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Hicks to approve Road District bills in the amount of \$ 17,919.49. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- C. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Reyna to approve General Assistance bills in the amount of \$ 2,327.75. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- D. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Hicks to approve Building and Equipment Fund bills in the amount of \$ 5,112.76. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- E. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore to pay IMRF and R&B IMRF bills in the amount of \$11,556.49. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

- F. Combined motion by Supervisor Catching to approve Social Security and R&B Social Security bills in the amount of \$ 5,408.62. Seconded by Trustee Wells. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

IV. REPORTS

- A. **Assessor's Report** - by Davis Offutt – Report Attached – Summary: The last Kane County Board of Review hearing will be on January 20, 2015. The need for a new printer that can print on the heavy stock paper used for property records was discussed. The present printer is almost 11 years old and on its last legs. A new HP printer would cost \$1,499.00, plus maintenance agreement of \$200.00. He has asked the board to approve the invoice when it arrives.
- B. **Highway Commissioner's Report** - John Shoemaker explained to the board on how the Township roads are treated during ice and snow, depending on the temperature. He thanked Chief of Staff Patricia Richardson for her help in straightening out the confusion about IDOT funding.
- C. **Supervisor Report** – Supervisor Catching announced an event that will occur at the Youth center on January 13th from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. to learn more about the Affordable Care Act and sign up for the Get Covered Illinois plan. He explained the outcomes from our grant to Rebuilding Aurora Together and passed out a sheet detailing their projects. Through donated materials and labor, the project's worth far exceeded the \$5,000 that the Township contributed. Catching said he will recommend that the township give a grant in the next fiscal year. A Daily Herald newspaper article was shared with the Board in regards to our new agreement with Sugar Grove Township to provide rides for senior citizens there. Supervisor Catching announced that Jimi Allen of the Gravity building has applied for a loan from our CDAP revolving loan program. This is to be used to help grow jobs and businesses in our area. He will keep us updated on the progress of the loan request.
- D. **Ride in Kane Manager's Report** - Melissa Wilmot explained the decline in ridership over the recent Holidays, but stated that was normal and she has said ridership will pick up and she has had many new requests for rides in our program. We have had contact from other ride services. They are much higher priced than our program. Work continues on getting our old fleet up to par, so we can return them to Pace. A Ride-in-Kane bus was displayed to potential riders in Sugar Grove. Response was good.
- E. **Youth Services Report** –Scot Thurman reviewed his report with the Board in regards to our Basketball program, our Soccer program, and all updates to the Youth center such as a new TV, camera system and laptop computers – mostly purchased through grants that Mr. Thurman and his staff sought. There will also be computer classes for seniors and youth at the Youth center.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - NONE

VI. NEW BUSINESS - NONE

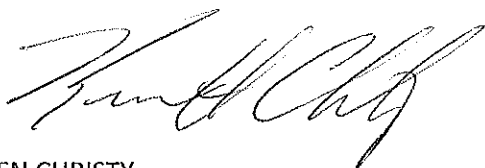
VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS - NONE

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS – NONE

IX. ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn made by Supervisor Catching, seconded by Trustee Moore at 4:25 p.m. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

The next board meeting will be held on Thursday, January 22, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. at 80 N. Broadway, Aurora, IL.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ken Christy". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "K" and "C".

KEN CHRISTY
Aurora Township Clerk