

AURORA TOWNSHIP

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

MAIN OFFICES, 80 NORTH BROADWAY, AURORA, ILLINOIS

4 p.m. May 14, 2015

- 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, May 14, 2015. Notice was sent to all members of the Board as required by statute.

Aurora Township Supervisor Bill Catching called the meeting to order 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 of Trustees members present: Supervisor Bill Catching and Trustees: David Moore, Dolores Hicks, Juan Reyna and Juanita Wells

Assessor Davis Offutt – Excused Absence

Highway Commissioner John Shoemaker - Present

Staff & Public present – as attached.

II. Supervisor Catching made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on April 30, 2015, seconded by Trustee Reyna. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

III. Approval and/or Audit of Township and Road District Bills

A. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore to approve the Town Fund Bills in the amount of \$ 43,285.79. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

B. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Wells to approve Road & Bridge Fund bills in the amount of \$ 41,437.04. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

C. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Hicks to approve General Assistance Fund bills in the amount of \$ 4,848.85. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

D. Combined motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Wells to approve IMRF Fund and Road & Bridge IMRF Fund bills in the amount of \$ 14,085.28. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

E. Combined motion by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Reyna to approve SOCIAL SECURITY Fund and R&B SOCIAL SECURITY Fund bills in the amount of \$ 6,670.43. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

IV. REPORTS

- A. Assessor's Report - Report Attached – Summary: The Deputy Assessors have revalued almost all of the Aurora Township residential parcels. As of May 12, 2015, we have revalued 35,165 parcels. All properties will receive the equalization notices for 2015. The other three years, only properties that were revalued by the local Assessor received these notices and published in the local paper.
- B. Highway Commissioner's Report - Highway Commissioner John Shoemaker reported Connie Court was re-paved and while waiting for inspection, the road was driven on by a large truck causing damage. Geneva Construction will fix the damage and bill the company that did the damage. Mowing program is ongoing. The list was refined to check on people who are not qualified. The Road District is in the process of purchasing a new trailer that will accommodate more equipment. This will save man-hours when performing work.
- C. Supervisor Report –Supervisor Catching reported that the roof at the Township building had repairs done because of leaks. Also the Township anticipates additional repairs to the roof over the next year or so, and other large expenditures for replacement of vehicles and major renovations. Supervisor Catching reviewed the Ride in Kane Program with the Board. -- Report Attached – Summary: A new driver, Walter Douglas has been hired. The old fleet that was to be returned has not yet passed inspection. Vehicles are being stored at Road District.

The TRIAD event had some negative comments. The people who were supposed to be there to shred documents and dispose of unused prescriptions left early. This will be followed up to prevent this from happening in the future. Catching said he has already made arrangements for Fox Metro, who will dispose of prescriptions, to attend the TRIAD picnic on August 11 at Phillips Park.

Catching also announced the Gibran Rodriguez has been hired as our Soccer Program Coordinator. An East Aurora High School graduate, Rodriguez played soccer professionally in Mexico, is the former soccer coach at East High and currently the Assistant Coach for men's soccer at Waubensee Community College. Rodriguez is also a veteran, having served in the U.S. Marines.

- D. Youth Services Director's Report – Attached - Director Scot Thurman reviewed his written report with the Board on the following areas: Soccer program, Basketball program, After School program, Community Service, Aerobics and Senior activities. The summer camp program will run from June 8 thru August 14. Scot also reported on various events he attended and also hosted at the Youth center.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Review and Award 2015 Summer Food Service Program Vendor Contract to EAT Enterprises – D.B.A. Lunch At Hand. Motion to approve contract by Supervisor Bill Catching and seconded by Trustee Reyna. The cost per meal is as follows: Breakfast \$1.65, Lunch - \$2.95 per meal. At least 24 sites will be in participation of this program. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Ordinance 2015-17 Approval of the Aurora Township Budget and Appropriations Ordinance - Supervisor Catching made a motion to approve the ordinance and was seconded by Trustee Reyna. Motion was approved on a roll call vote: Catching – Yes, Hicks- Yes, Moore- Yes, Reyna – Yes, Wells – Yes. Motion passed.
- B. Ordinance 2015-18 Approval of Aurora Township Road District Budget and Appropriations Ordinance – Supervisor Catching made a motion to approve the ordinance and was seconded by Trustee Moore. Motion was approved on a roll call vote: Catching-Yes, Hicks-Yes, Moore-Yes, Reyna- Yes, Wells-Yes. Motion passed.
- C. Resolution 2015-19 Appointing Members of Aurora Township Community Mental Health 708 Board Members: Supervisor Catching made a motion to approve a resolution, seconded by Trustee Wells, that would appoint Joel Gramirez, 215 S. Lincoln Avenue, Aurora, to the 708 board. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
- D. Resolution 2015-20 Declaration of Surplus Road District Equipment. Motion to approve by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Hicks. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Trustee Moore reported on a meeting he attended with the Northeast Neighbors Group. The group had high praise for the Township and especially for the great work by the Road District under the leadership of John Shoemaker.

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Trustee Hicks stated there would be a Youth Summer program to be held at River Valley Church at 888 Edgelawn, Unit 1731, in Aurora from 6 – 9 p.m. on Friday May 22 and from 9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. on Saturday May 23. The event is free and lunch will be provided.
- B. On May 21 at 9:00 a.m. at the Senior and Youth Center, 313 Gale Street, Aurora, there will be a senior community forum to help provide training for future employment for Seniors 55 and older, low income and unemployed.
- C. There will be a senior services advisory meeting at 9 a.m. Friday May 22 at Sunnymere.

Motion to adjourn by Supervisor Catching at 4:46 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Reyna. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,



Ken Christy
Aurora Township Clerk

