

Aurora Township

Board of Trustees Meeting

Main Offices, 80 North Broadway, Aurora, Ill.

4 p.m. Thursday, August 11, 2016

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, IL, at 4 p.m. on Thursday, August 11, 2016. Notice was sent to all board members as required by Illinois law.

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 Hicks gave the invocation.

Aurora Township Clerk Jason Owens called the roll with the following Board of Trustees members present: Bill Catching – Supervisor; Trustees: Dolores Hicks, David Moore, Juan Reyna, Juanita Wells.

Clerk Jason Owens – Present.

Assessor Davis Offutt – Present.

Highway Commissioner John Shoemaker – Present.

Staff and Public present – see attached.

- II. Motion to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting held on July 28, 2016 made by Supervisor Catching, seconded by Trustee Reyna. Motion carried 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 Hicks to approve the Town Fund bills in the amount of **\$109,577.03**. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

- b. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore to approve the Road & Bridge Fund bills in the amount of **\$20,454.93**. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- c. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Wells to approve the General Assistance Fund bills in the amount of **\$3,023.19**. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- d. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Reyna to approve the Mental Health Fund bills in the amount of **\$17,691.35**. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- e. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Hicks to approve the Equipment & Building Fund bills in the amount of **\$1,327.76**. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- f. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore to approve the combined IMRF and Road & Bridge IMRF Funds bills in the amount of **\$11,601.66**. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- g. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Wells to approve the combined Social Security and Road & Bridge Social Security bills in the amount of **\$6,210.55**. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

IV. Reports

- a. **Assessor's Report** – Summary: Assessor Offutt discussed the increased communication experienced by his office due to the equalization factor being published. The deadline for Board of Review appeals is August 31, 2016.
- b. **Highway Commissioner's Report** – John Shoemaker. Summary: Commissioner Shoemaker reported that work continues on the Sheffer Road drainage project. Shoemaker thanked Marlene and the rest of the ATHD for their efforts while he was out of the office due to a death in the family.
- c. **Supervisor's Report** – Bill Catching. Summary: Supervisor Catching reported that concrete repairs were made in front of the office. He said he is working on gathering quotes for tree removal at a Township-owned vacant lot 1141 Gates. A large tree branch fell on a vehicle, and we reimbursed the owner for the branch's removal and the \$500 vehicle insurance deductible. Catching reported that our auditors will attend the next meeting to discuss the report handed out. Catching also congratulated Youth Director Scot Thurman on his recent wedding. Catching thanked the Aurora Township Fire Department for their efforts to keep the kids cool at the National Night Out event at the Youth and Senior Center. Catching said the event went well, but that attendance was down again this year due to an increase in City of Aurora events.
- d. **Ride in Kane Manager's Report** – Melissa Wilmot. Summary: Ms. Wilmot reported that RIK is in its summer lull and ridership is off from its peak. Ms. Wilmot also said they are have been able to "loan" drivers to the Youth and Senior Center for activities requiring transportation.

- e. **Youth Services Director's Report** – Scot Thurman. Summary: Mr. Thurman reported that summer camps are coming to an end on August 12 and that he is looking forward to the senior programs restarting. Mr. Thurman anticipates having all summer lunch reimbursement requests submitted by the next Board of Trustees meeting. Mr. Thurman said he is researching possibly continuing an off-site snack program with Simply Destinee. Thurman said that National Night Out was a success and thanked the Highway Department for the use of two tents. Thurman also mentioned that the Aurora Public Library is partnering with the Youth Center on a Great Stories Book Club, which started this month.

V. Unfinished Business

None.

VI. New Business

- a. **Resolution 2016-22 Appointment of Bill Harding to Aurora Township Community Mental Health 708 Board.**

Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Reyna to pass Resolution 2016-22 Appointment of Bill Harding to Aurora Township Community Mental Health 708 Board. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

VII. Board Member Comments

- a. Trustee Wells said she rode around with the Aurora Township Fire Department during National Night Out and had a good time.
- b. Trustee Hicks said that August 26 will be Chicken Day at the Senior Center on Lake Street.

VIII. Public Comments

- a. Patty Richardson said she will be coordinating for the Board the logistics for the TOI Conference in November.

IX. Announcements

- a. Supervisor Catching also congratulated Trustee Reyna on his recent birthday.
- b. Aurora Sundowners annual banquet will be held at the Prisco Center (150 W. Illinois) on Sunday, August 14th from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- c. Scot Thurman announced that a soccer tournament will be held on August 27.

- X. **Adjournment to Executive Closed Session** – Motion to adjourn to executive closed session to discuss personnel was made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Hicks. Clerk Owens called the roll with the following Board of Trustees members voting “Yes”:
Supervisor Bill Catching, Trustee Dolores Hicks, Trustee David Moore, Trustee Juan Reyna and Trustee Juanita Wells. Board adjourned to Executive Session at 4:30 p.m.
- XI. **Reconvene to Open Session** – Motion to reconvene to open session made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote at 4:43 p.m.
- XII. **Roll Call and Establish Quorum** – Clerk Owens called the roll with the following Board of Trustees members present: Bill Catching – Supervisor; Trustees: Dolores Hicks, David Moore, Juan Reyna and Juanita Wells.
- XIII. **Action Resulting from Executive Closed Session for personnel**
- a. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Hicks to approve pay rate increase for full- and part-time employees of 3% for 2016. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- XIV. **Adjournment** – Motion for adjournment made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Wells. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote at 4:45 p.m.

Next regular Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 25, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. at Aurora Township Office, 80 N. Broadway, Aurora, IL.

Respectfully submitted,



Jason Owens
Aurora Township Clerk

**AURORA TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES' MEETING
ATTENDANCE - SIGN-IN**

DATE: August 11, 2016

Name	Organization	Address	Phone or E-mail address
Patty Richardson	AT-Staff		
Melissa Wilnot	AT-RIK Mgr.		
Scott Thurman	Youth Ctr.		