

Aurora Township

Annual Town Meeting

Youth and Community Center, 313 Gale Street

Aurora, IL.

Date: Tuesday, April 12, 2016

Time: 6:00 P.M.

Minutes

- I. **Call To Order**
Pledge of Allegiance
Invocation
Welcome and Introduction of Elected Officials

An annual town meeting of the Aurora Township was held at the Aurora Township Youth and Community Center, 313 Gale Street, Aurora, IL, at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, April 12, 2016. Notice was made to members of the Board and community as required by statute.

Aurora Township Deputy Clerk Jason Owens called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. Deputy Clerk Owens led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustee David Moore gave the invocation. Deputy Clerk Owens led a moment of silence to honor former Township Clerk Ken Christy's passing.

Aurora Township Deputy Clerk Jason Owens welcomed the assembly and introduced the elected officials in the audience: Bill Catching – Supervisor; David Moore and Juanita Wells - Township Board of Trustees; Davis Offutt – Township Assessor; John Shoemaker – Township Highway Commissioner. Public present – see attached.

- II. Deputy Clerk Owens asked for a motion to adopt Robert's Rules of Order. Motion was made by Bill Catching and seconded by Juanita Wells. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
- III. Deputy Clerk Owens appointed Bill Catching as the parliamentarian.
- IV. Deputy Clerk Owens asked for a motion for payment of moderator in the amount of \$75. Motion made by Bill Catching and seconded by David Moore. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

V. Deputy Clerk Owens asked for nominations for moderator. Bill Catching nominated Mark Semmler, which was seconded by David Moore. No other nominations were presented. A motion to close nominations was made by Deputy Clerk Owens and seconded by Bill Catching. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote. Deputy Clerk Owens asked for a motion to name Mark Semmler for moderator. Motion made by Bill Catching and seconded by David Moore. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

VI. Deputy Clerk Owens swore in Mark Semmler as moderator.

VII. **Approval of Minutes from April 14, 2015 Annual Town Meeting**

Moderator Semmler asked for a motion that the reading of the Minutes of the April 14, 2015 Annual Town Meeting be dispensed with and that the Minutes be approved as written by the Town Clerk and be made available for inspection. Motion made by Bill Catching and seconded by David Moore. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

VIII. **Presentation of Supervisor's Annual Financial Report**

Moderator Semmler asked for a motion that the reading of the Supervisor's Report as of March 31, 2016 be dispensed with and that the report be accepted and placed on file subject to audit. Motion made by Bill Catching and seconded by Juanita Wells. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

IX. **Presentation of Highway Commissioner's Report**

Moderator Semmler asked for a motion that the reading of the Highway Commissioner's Report as of March 31, 2016 be dispensed with and that the report be accepted and placed on file subject to audit. Motion made by Bill Catching and seconded by Juanita Wells. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

X. **Additional Business**

a. **Resolution 2016-09 Transfer of Surplus of Town Funds to the IMRF Fund in the Amount of \$80,000.** Moderator Semmler asked for a motion to approve Resolution 2016-09 to transfer of surplus of Town Funds to the IMRF Fund in the amount of \$80,000. Motion made by Bill Catching and seconded by John Shoemaker. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

b. **Resolution 2016-10 Transfer of Surplus Road and Bridge Funds to the Road and Bridge IMRF Fund in the Amount of \$65,950.** Moderator Semmler asked for a motion to approve Resolution 2016-10 to transfer surplus Road and Bridge Funds to the Road and Bridge IMRF Fund in the amount of \$65,950. Motion made by David Moore and seconded by Juanita Wells. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

c. **Resolution 2016-11 Transfer of Surplus Road and Bridge Liability Funds to the Road and Bridge Fund in the Amount of \$14,994.** Moderator Semmler asked for a motion to approve Resolution 2016-11 to transfer surplus Road and Bridge Liability Funds to the

Road and Bridge Fund in the amount of \$14,994. Motion made by Juanita Wells and seconded by Bill Catching. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

- d. **Resolution 2016-12 Transfer of Surplus Road and Bridge Equipment and Building Funds to the Road and Bridge Fund in the Amount of \$49,915.** Moderator Semmler asked for a motion to approve Resolution 2016-12 to transfer surplus Road and Bridge Equipment and Building Funds to the Road and Bridge Fund in the amount of \$49,915. Motion made by Bill Catching and seconded by Juanita Wells. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
- e. **Resolution 2016-13 Transfer of Surplus Road and Bridge Joint Construction Funds to the Road and Bridge Fund in the Amount of \$77,288.** Moderator Semmler asked for a motion to approve Resolution 2016-13 to transfer surplus Road and Bridge Joint Construction Funds to the Road and Bridge Fund in the amount of \$77,288. Motion made by Juanita Wells and seconded by David Moore. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

XI. **Public Comments**

Bill Catching, 19 S. Evanslawn, Aurora, pointed out that three years ago, the Board of Trustees had reserve balances of approximately -\$45,000 and needed to call a special meeting at the end of the fiscal year to borrow money from the Highway Department to meet payroll and other obligations. Catching noted that the Supervisor's Annual Financial Report showed a little more than \$1 million in reserves at the end of the most recent fiscal year. Catching thanked his colleagues on the Board, Chief of Staff Patricia Richardson, Assessor Offutt and the rest of the staff for their hard work toward this accomplishment.

No other public comments were offered.

XII. **Adjournment**

Moderator Semmler asked for a motion to adjourn the Annual Town Meeting. Motion made by David Moore and seconded by Juanita Wells. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote at 6:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jason Owens

Aurora Township Deputy Clerk

