

**AURORA TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
MAIN OFFICES: 80 N. BROADWAY  
AURORA, ILLINOIS**

**Date: May 27, 2010**

**Time: 4:00 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Motion to elect David Moore as Supervisor Pro-Tem was made by Bill Catching and seconded by Delores Hicks. Motion carried. (Voice vote)

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**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 27, 2010. Notice was sent to all members of the Board as required by statute.

Aurora Township Supervisor Pro Tem David Moore called the meeting to order.

Supervisor Pro Tem Moore led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Aurora Township Clerk Herbert Hill did the roll call with the following members present: Bill Catching, Delores Hicks, David Moore, and Highway Commissioner, John Shoemaker.

**Public Present:** Please see attached.

## II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF May 13, 2010

A motion to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting held on Thursday May 13, 2010 was made by Bill Catching and seconded by Delores Hicks. Motion carried. (Voice Vote)

## III. APPROVAL AND/OR AUDIT OF TOWNSHIP AND ROAD DISTRICT BILLS

A motion to approve **the Town Bills** in the amount of \$75,903.74 was made by Delores Hicks with a second by Bill Catching. Motion carried. (Voice Vote)

A motion to audit the **Road and Bridge Bills** in the amount of \$6,236.88 was made by Delores Hicks with a second by Bill Catching. Motion carried. (Voice Vote)

A motion to audit the **General Assistance Bills** in the amount of \$5,896.29 was made by Delores Hicks with a second by Bill Catching. Motion carried. (Voice Vote)

A motion to approve the combined **IMRF BILL** and the **R&B IMRF Bill** in the amount of \$7,169.12 was made by Bill Catching and seconded by Delores Hicks. Motion carried. (Voice Vote)

A motion to approve the combined **SOCIAL SECURITY BILL** and the **ROAD & BRIDGE SOCIAL SECURITY Bill** in the amount of \$5,587.33 was made by David Moore and seconded by Delores Hicks. Motion carried. (Voice Vote)

A motion to audit the **JOINT BRIDGE Bills** in the amount of \$25,874.43 was made by Bill Catching with a second by Delores Hicks. Motion carried. (Voice Vote)

#### **IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No Public Comments

#### **V. REPORTS**

##### **1. Assessor's Reports**

Mr. Offutt submitted a written report. Please see attachments.

##### **2. Highway Commissioner, John Shoemaker**

Mr. Shoemaker reported the purchase of a new trailer with an explanation therefore.

Mr. Shoemaker reported that the initiation of the mowing program should start on May, 28, 2010 and should take approximately two weeks to complete with the assistance of a new mower.

Mr. Shoemaker stated that concrete pouring was to take place on June 16, June 17, 2010.

Mr. Shoemaker also reported that a \$50,000.00 contract for one garden storm contract was executed from the State and place on hold. September 2010 was projected as the start date.

Mr. Shoemaker reported that treatment for mosquitoes was on target and probably ahead of schedule.

##### **3. Sheriff's Report**

Sgt Dave Wolf stated that he was taking over for Lt. Stutz, and announced that 2 remaining personal were on duty.

Sgt Wolf stated the new implementation of block captains meetings to begin every other month for neighborhood watchers.

Sgt Wolf also stated that a joint effort warrant sweep by the Park District, Aurora and No. Aurora PD's for gang members sought on outstanding warrants was going okay. There was one arrest coming from the Mocherville area

## **VI. OLD BUSINESS**

None

## **VII. NEW BUSINESS**

Presentation by Jerry Murphy, Executive Director, Mental Health and Mental Retardation Services.

Mr. Murphy provided brochures outlining funded agencies providing assistance for mental health, developmental disability and substance abuse needs. Mr. Murphy stated that the Mental Health Board (and tax levy) was established approximately 40 years ago by referendum and provided a partnership for services involving 7 townships including Aurora.

Mr. Murphy stated that the "708" board representation should be by terms and be composed of Trustee Members as well.

Mr. Murphy stated that the 7 Township boards set up services as a not-for-profit corporation to administer services for those in need. The INC. board meets 6 times per year. Notices with agendas will be sent in advance of the meetings.

Mr. Murphy explained the funding of the agencies and the funds usage. (See attached Aurora Township Mental Health Levy and Service Statistics).

Mr. Murphy also explained that the Board had ownership of approximately 12-13 acres with building rental space available to agencies delivering services at approximately .30 on the dollar.

The Board is not concerned with making a profit as much as is providing affordable services. Building up keep and maintenance was also explained. Mr. Murphy explained the operating budget at 12 percent and presented statistics on services delivered covering a period of 9 years from 1990 -2009. See attached statistics.

Trustee Hicks acknowledged the need for services as provided by the Mental Health Board as she previously worked as a nurse at Mercyville and was familiar with that need through her past experiences, as well as her knowledge that past facilities have closed.

Supervisor Pro Tem Moore Thanked Mr. Murphy for his report and also acknowledged that the mission of the Mental Health Board was a noble one and appreciated their existence since 1970

## **VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. Aurora Township hosting Aurora Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Breakfast meeting, June 2, 2010 at the Youth Center from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.
2. Lisa Madigan, Illinois Attorney General, presenting Seminar on Foreclosures at a location different from Aurora Township Office as originally thought. Announcements will be published. It appears that Ms. Madigan will be at several locations on the same day. She is scheduled for an appearance on Lake St. for seniors to address Mortgages and credit card fraud issues. Announcements will be published at the Youth Center.

3. Supervisor Pro Tem David Moore announced a tentative Public Hearing on the 2010-2011 Budget June 24, 2010 at 3:30 p.m.

Mr. Moore also announced that Supervisor Christina Campos' absence was due to the proud graduation ceremonies of her twin daughters.

#### **IX. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion to adjourn was made by Bill Catching and seconded by Delores Hicks. Motion carried. (Voice Vote)

**Meeting adjourned at 4:47 p.m.**

#### **X. NEXT MEETING**

THURSDAY, June 10, 2010 at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Herbert Hill

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Aurora Township Clerk