#### **AURORA TOWNSHIP**

### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

## MAIN OFFICES, 80 N. BROADWAY, AURORA, IL

Tuesday, December 23, 2014

# **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 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 23, 2014. Notice was sent to all members of the Board as required by state statute.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor William Catching at 4 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, and David Moore. Trustee Juan Reyna – Excused absence. 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 11, 2014 was made by Supervisor Catching, seconded by Trustee 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 Hicks to approve the Town Bills in the amount of \$ 56,694.70. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- B. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Wells to approve Road District bills in the amount of \$27,603.80. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- C. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Hicks, to approve General Assistance bills in the amount of \$4,314.49. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- D. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Wells to approve Equipment and Building Fund bills in the amount of \$1,228.86. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- E. Combined motion made by Supervisor Catching to approve IMRF and ROAD AND BRIDGE IMRF bills in the amount of \$10,885.45. Seconded by Trustee Moore. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

F. Combined motion by Supervisor Catching to approve SOCIAL SECURITY and ROAD AND BRIDGE SOCIAL SECURITY bills in the amount of \$5,094.17. Seconded by Trustee Hicks. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

### **IV. REPORTS**

- A. Assessor's Report by Davis Offutt Report Attached In summary, the last Board of Review will be held on January 20, 2015.
- B. Highway Commissioner's Report John Shoemaker reported the following that the road district is ready for winter. The new LED streetlights that they have installed are working well so far. Once all LED lights are installed, Shoemaker stated that they will pay for themselves in 3 years.
- C. Supervisor Report Supervisor Catching stated that the real estate closing has occurred on the former substation at 313 S. Farnsworth Avenue. The code enforcement report is attached. The transportation consultants from the Ride in Kane program will be here in mid-January to observe the way we administer our program. We have received a cost estimate for the sidewalk project on Indian Avenue from the new VNA building on Farnsworth Avenue to Crane Avenue. The cost estimate was \$150,000.00, but that assumes that there is no need for correcting storm water drainage. We are working with Kane County and District 131 to fund this project as well as seeking grants. Suely Ann Cabal's husband Nick passed away this week. Please keep her in your prayers.
- D. Youth Services Report –Scot Thurman reported that a new camera system is being installed at the Youth center as well as a new television. They will be completed with grants from the Carson Foundation and the Rotary Club of Aurora. The new computers are working well at the Youth center. Senior programming at the center will be expanded next year and include computer classes with the new computers.
- E. Financial Report for November by Patricia Richardson She reviewed the financials with the Board. Ms. Richardson stated that things were looking good for Township finances.
- V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS NONE
- VI. NEW BUSINESS Merry Christmas to all was expressed by the Board.
- VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS NONE
- VIII. EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION Motion to move to closed session by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote at 4:18 p.m.
- IX. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote
- X. Roll Call by Clerk Christy at 4:26 p.m. Present Trustees: David Moore, Juanita Wells, Dolores Hicks; Supervisor William Catching. Absent Trustee Juan Reyna. Excused
- XI. ACTION RESULTING FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION Supervisor Catching made a motion to change the employment status of Youth Administrator April Lopez from part time to full time at the same

rate of pay effective January 1. Trustee Moore seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous voice vote.

XII. MOTION TO ADJOURN – by Supervisor Catching, seconded by Trustee Hicks at 4:28 p.m. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

The next board meeting will be held on Thursday, January 8, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. at 80 N. Broadway, Aurora, IL.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ken Christy

Aurora Township Clerk