

**AURORA TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
MAIN OFFICES, 80 NORTH BROADWAY
AURORA, IL
NOVEMBER 12, 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, IL, at 4:00 p.m. on November 12, 2015. Notice was sent to all members of the Board as required by statute. Supervisor Bill Catching called the meeting to order at 4:00 P.M. Trustee Juan Reyna led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and Trustee Dolores Hicks gave the Invocation.

II. Aurora Township Clerk Ken Christy called the roll with the following Board of Trustees members present: Supervisor Bill Catching, Trustees David Moore, Dolores Hicks, Juanita Wells, and Juan Reyna, Assessor Davis Offutt, Highway Commissioner John Shoemaker.
Staff & Public present – as attached.

III. Approval of the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of October 22, 2015 made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Reyna. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

IV. Approval and/ or Audit of Township and Road District bills

A. Motion to approve Town Fund Bills in the amount of \$ 85,105.28 made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Hicks. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

B. Motion to approve Road & Bridge Fund bills in the amount of \$31,685.66, made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

C. Motion to approve General Assistance Fund bills in the amount of \$2,955.54 made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Wells. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

D. Motion to approve Mental Health Fund Bills in the amount of \$7,696.95 made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Reyna. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

E. Motion to approve Equipment and Building Fund Bills in the amount of \$15,994.50 made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Hicks. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

F. Motion to approve Joint Bridge Fund bills in the amount of \$3,750.00 made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

G. Combined motion to approve IMRF and Road and Bridge IMRF Fund bills in the amount of \$10,585.48, made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Wells. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

H. Combined motion to approve Social Security and Road and Bridge Social Security Fund bills in the amount of \$ 5,413.06 made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Reyna. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

V. REPORTS

A. Assessor's Report - by Davis Offutt – Report Attached - Summary: The last Kane County Board of Review hearings are on November 24th. The bills presented for approval represent the typical expenses incurred during the general operation of the Assessor's Office.

B. Highway Commissioner's Report - by John Shoemaker - A fifth Teamster member was hired earlier this year. This has increased the efficiency of the Road District. Winter preparations continue. There are 2 open orders for work that will be delayed until weather permits in the spring. The annual brush pick-up went well. The Road District had an unannounced OSHA inspection, which it passed with no major violations. The roads near Farnsworth Avenue and Montgomery Road will be closed for lining sewers by Fox Metro.

C. Supervisor's Report - by Supervisor Bill Catching - Supervisor Catching and Highway Commissioner Shoemaker attended the Lee subdivision meeting. The awnings at the Township are being replaced. Supervisor Catching attended the local TIF meetings. There was a discussion with "On Light Aurora" to look at the possibility of upgrading our Internet and phone service at the Township office. Two used 15-passenger busses have been purchased. Also the International Bus and one van will be declared as surplus later in the meeting.

D. Ride In Kane Manager's Report – by Mellissa Wilmot - Ridership report attached – The last of the old fleet of Pace buses has been returned to Pace. Pace will be updating the computers (mobile data terminals) on our current fleet. Uniforms will be purchased for all bus drivers.

E. Youth Services Director's Report – by Scot Thurman attached – Summary: Mr. Thurman reviewed his report highlighting the following: Soccer program, Basketball program, and other activities taking place at the Youth Center. An explanation and summary of the future plans with regard to staffing at the Youth Center was discussed by Board and Mr. Thurman.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Resolution 2015-26 Transfer of Appropriation – Town Fund
Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Hicks to approve the transfer of appropriations by line item to the Town Fund budget. After the resolution was discussed, the motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolution 2015-27 Declaration of Surplus Property – Vehicles
There was a motion made by Supervisor Catching, seconded by Trustee Reyna to dispose of surplus property which included the 1990 International 3000 Series 3800 Bus and a 2002 Chevrolet Venture Carryall Van. After the resolution was discussed, the motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

B. Presentation of Tentative Budget for 2016-2017 Fiscal Year – There was a discussion and explanation of the Budget for fiscal year 2006-2017. The budget will be placed on file for review. A final budget approval will be made in March of 2016.

C. Presentation of 2015 Tax Levy – There was a discussion on the 2015 Tax levy. The levy will be placed on file for review. Final levy approval will be made at December 10, 2015 Board meeting. On a motion by Supervisor Bill Catching, seconded by Trustee Reyna, the 2015 levy will be placed on view for review. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

D. Resolution 2015-28 Grant Funding for 2015 Fiscal Year - A motion was made by Supervisor Bill Catching, seconded by Trustee Hicks, to approve a \$15,000.00 grant to Senior Services. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

VIII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS – Trustee Wells thanked the Board for her being able to attend the Township Officials of Illinois 2015 Conference in Springfield. She attended several workshops and gained much information that she shared with Board. Trustee Wells said that Township services to the Community should be shared with all citizens.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS - NONE

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. The Senior Services Pie Auction will be held Friday November 20th at the Fox Valley Country Club. The Aurora Actionaires' event will be Saturday, November 14th at Pipers Banquet Hall.

B. Supervisor Catching offered his condolences to the Pilmer family on the recent passing of Geraldine "Gerri" Pilmer. Her son James Pilmer was a former Township Trustee.

C. The Board's condolences also go out to former employee Sandy Lange on the passing of her husband.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore at 5:20 p.m. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,



Ken Christy
Aurora Township Clerk

