

## **MARCH 14, 2019 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES**

Aurora Township, Board of Trustees Meeting held at 4 p.m. at 80 N. Broadway Aurora, IL 60505

- I. **Call to Order** by Supervisor Catching at 4:00 p.m.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance** led by Supervisor Catching
- III. **Invocation** led by Dolores Hicks
- IV. **Roll Call** by Township Clerk, Reginald N. Campbell with a Quorum established, with the Following Officials and Board of Trustee members present: William Catching, Supervisor; Juan Reyna, Highway Commissioner; Davis Offutt, Assessor; Reginald Campbell, Clerk; Trustees Dolores Hicks, David Moore, Juanita Wells, and Brenda Hernandez. Staff and Public also present- See attached Attendance Sign in Sheet.
- V. Motion to approve of the minutes of the regular Board Meeting held on February 28, 2019, made by Supervisor Catching, seconded by Trustee Hicks, and carried by unanimous voice vote.
- VI. **Approval and /or audit of Township and Road District Bills**
  - a. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore to approve the Town Fund bills in the amount of \$127,329.07. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
  - b. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Hicks to approve the Road & Bridge Fund bills in the amount of \$88,462.21. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
  - c. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore to approve the General Assistance Fund bills in the amount of \$3,250.27. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
  - d. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Wells to approve the Joint Bridge Fund bills in the amount of \$356.94. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
  - e. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Hicks to approve the Combined IMRF Fund and Road & Bridge IMRF Fund bills in the amount of \$4,810.89. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
  - f. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore to approve the Combined Social Security Fund and Road & Bridge Social Security Fund bills in the amount of \$6,048.13. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- VII. **Reports**
  - a. **Assessor's Report.** Highlight of Written Report- The Township's 2019 equalization factor is projected to be 1.0686
  - b. **Highway Commissioner's Report** Highlight of Written Report- Completed the 2019-2020 Highway Department's Budget; Work has begun on the warehouse roof replacement and is anticipated to be completed within 2 weeks; Dept began first round of

patching pot holes; Dept. has inspected culverts and ATHD drainage systems prior to rainy spring season.

- c. **Supervisor's Report-** Supervisor Catching attended the quarterly Ride In Kane meeting and was voted in as the Vice Chair; The County has pulled out of the 708 mental health board.
- d. **Ride In Kane Manager's Report-** Highlight of written report. Manager is completing the Title 20 Application; There was a higher ridership in February over January; Ridership demand is up and there are currently 6 full time drivers and 3 back-up drivers. Has put in a request for 2 additional drivers to keep up with demand; Trustee Wells commented that a resident complimented the Ride in Kane Program as the best it's ever been.
- e. **Youth Services Director's Report-** Highlight of written report- Youth Dept' participated in several Black History Month events that were very successful; Director is gearing up for hiring for the summer programs; Gym will be open during spring break and will include 3 on 3 basketball tournaments; Trustee Moore asked about a manager for the summer lunch program. A manager is not needed because the lunch program will be administered by Northern Illinois Food Center. Trustee Moore offered his opinion on the security at the Youth Center. Director stated that when people come through the metal detector and it goes off, people's bags are checked. Director also state the cameras do not work, and that they need to be upgraded. Supervisor Catching added that The Kane County Sheriff Department will conduct active shooter training.

#### VIII. Unfinished Business

- a. The proposed Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Township Road District will be placed on display for 30 days. Discussion. Commissioner Reyna stated he reviewed the last three annual budgets in assistance in putting together the current budget taking into account the Rural Street Bridge Project and the Roof Replacement. He also stated that the lawn mower program will be increased from 100 residents to 200 residents, which means the budget for this program will be increased to \$100,000.00 from \$48,000.00. Supervisor Catching stated that in the past the program was partially funded by the City of Aurora Block Grants. Trustee Hernandez asked about the number of employees that are dedicated to the lawn mower program and Reyna answered 3, and that in the past the department has used college kids to mow lawns. Ken Maurice will assist in finding additional employees for the program.
- b. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore for tabling Resolution 2019-07 Establishing Aurora Township Senior Citizens Services Committee and Appointing of members. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote. Discussion- Supervisor Catching stated that the Township will be accepting letters of interest from residents wanting to serve on the Committee.

#### IX. New Business

- a. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore to table the hiring approval for full time Ride in Kane Drivers. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote. Discussion: RIK Manager has been receiving resumes and applications for the positions, and wants to move forward with interviewing within the next two weeks.
- b. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Wells for approval of the Agenda for the Annual Town Meeting on April 10, 2018 Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

- c. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Hicks for Resolution 2019-08 Transfer of Appropriation-Town Fund. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- d. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore for Resolution 2019-09 Transfer of Appropriation –General Road Fund. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- e. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Wells Resolution 2019-10 Transfer of Appropriation-General Assistance Fund. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**X. Board Member comments**

NONE

**XI. Public Comments**

Resident Marjorie Logonan stated that there is a group that will be honoring Marie Wilkerson at the Santori Library and there will be several booths there. Ms. Wilkerson's bible and some of her clothing will be on display there. Flyers announcing the event will be put out shortly

Resident Peggy Hicks announced there will be an African American Health Fair Screening on March 16, 2019 at Aurora Christian School from 8-1. She will be the facilitator for one of the workshops.

**XII. Announcements**

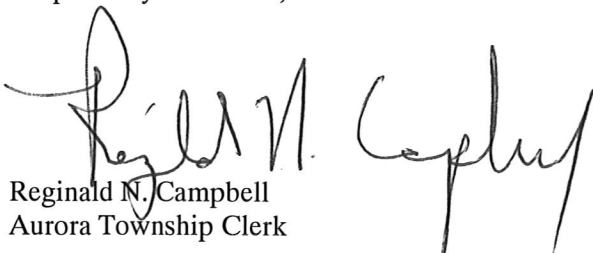
Suely Cabral announced that on 3/26/19, there will be a Rules of the Road workshop held at the Prisco Center and will be conducted by the SOS office. Members of Triad will be present. Also there will be representatives there to collect unused/expired medication.

Kiwanis will hold their annual pancake breakfast on 3/16/19 at Aurora Central High School at 8:00 am.

Supervisor Catching congratulated newly appointed state representative Barbara Hernandez who was not present at the meeting.

**XIII. Adjournment** Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore to adjourn the meeting at 4:58. p.m. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Reginald N. Campbell  
Aurora Township Clerk