

OCOTOBER 24, 2019 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES

Aurora Township, Board of Trustees Meeting held at 4 p.m. at 80 North 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 October 10, 2019, made by Supervisor Catching, seconded by Trustee Wells, 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 \$145,941.71. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
 - b. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Wells to approve the Road & Bridge Fund bills in the amount of \$10,451.27. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
 - c. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Hicks to approve the General Assistance Fund bills in the amount of \$2,751.21. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
 - d. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore to approve the Mental Health Fund bills in the amount of \$11,309.05. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
 - e. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Hicks to approve the Joint Bridge Fund bills in the amount of \$116,264.94. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
 - f. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore to approve the Combined IMRF Fund and Road & Bridge IMRF Fund bills in the amount of \$4,590.32. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
 - g. Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Wells to approve the Combined Social Security Fund and Road & Bridge Social Security Fund bills in the amount of \$5,794.01
- VII. **Reports**
 - a. **Assessor's Report.** See Written Report
 - b. **Highway Commissioner's Report** Highlights of Written Report- Senior Lawn Program ended on 10/25/19; Fall Brush pick up has started. 25 residents were not compliant with

their bundling of their brush and these residents will be re visited for pick up in the near future; Rural Street Bridge project is near completion; Department received 100 tons of salt.

- c. **Supervisor's Report-** Township will be sending out letters soon to residents for the snow removal program. There will be two vendors participating in the program this year; The proposed solar program will be targeted towards low income residents and their bills will be approximately cut in half with no up-front costs to the residents. Approximately 300-600 residents will be eligible to participate in the program, and they must live within 10 miles of the solar site. Trustee Hicks asked if the grants have been approved and the Supervisor stated that they had not. Once approved, the solar infrastructure will be built within 2 years.
- d. **Code Enforcement Officer's Report See Written Report**
- e. **General Assistance Officer's Report-** None
- f. **Presentation of September financial Statements-** The monthly and year to date actual vs budget variance is within Township Standards; Pace bills were averaging between \$16,000.00 and \$18,000.00 monthly and have recently been \$28,000 to \$33,000 per month.

VIII. Unfinished Business

Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore regarding Resolution 2019-32 Authorization for Supervisor to Execute Agreement for Solar Energy Project. Motion passed by majority voice vote with Trustee Hernandez voting against. Discussion: Prior to the vote, Arnie Schramel from Progressive Energy gave a presentation on the Solar Energy Project.

IX. New Business

NONE

X. Board Member comments

NONE

XI. Public Comments

Resident Peggy Hicks voiced concerned about the lack of information of the Solar Energy Project being delivered to the residents. She suggested that information could have been done through the school districts as well as reaching out to the various low income housing developments within the targeted areas.

XII. Announcements

Trustee Hicks stated that a Estate Planning Seminar will be held on 10/29/19 at the Youth Center and that Attorney Rick Law will be the key note speaker

XIII. Executive Closed Session.

Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore to go into executive closed session. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

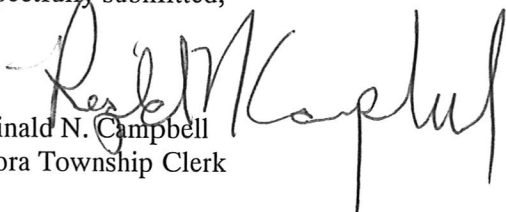
XIV. Reconvene to Open Session

XV. Action Resulting From Executive Session

Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Hicks for a \$500 wage differential for Renee Williams for picking up General Assistance duties during Suely Cabral's medical leave. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

XVI. Adjournment Motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore to adjourn the meeting at 5:07mp.m. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,


Reginald N. Campbell
Aurora Township Clerk