

**AURORA TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
80 NORTH BROADWAY  
AURORA, IL 60505**

**MINUTES OF THURSDAY, JUNE 13, 2013 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

- I.** Township Supervisor Bill Catching called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm and led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustee Hicks gave the Invocation.
- II.** A motion was made by Supervisor Catching and Seconded by Trustee Reyna to appoint Patricia Richardson as Clerk Pro-tem. Motion carried.
- III.** The following Board of Trustees members were present: Bill Catching, Dolores Hicks, David Moore, Juan Reyna and Juanita Wells. **Also present:** Highway Commissioner John Shoemaker. **Absent:** Township Clerk Ken Christy and Assessor Davis Offutt. **Staff and Public present:** (See attached list).
- IV. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSEES MEETINGS ON MAY 23, 2013.**
  - A. There was a motion by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore to approve the Board of Trustee regular meeting minutes from May 23, 2013 as amended. Motion carried by voice vote.
- V. APPROVAL AND/OR AUDIT OF TOWNSHIP AND ROAD DISTRICT BILLS**
  - A. There was a motion by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Hicks to approve the **Town Bills** in the amount of **\$129,265.77**. Motion passed by voice vote.
  - B. There was a motion by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore to approve **Road District Bills** in the amount of **\$25,743.52**. Motion passed by voice vote.
  - C. There was a motion by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Hicks to approve **General Assistance Bills** of **\$8,056.91**. Motion passed by voice vote.
  - D. There was a combined motion by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore to approve **IMRF and ROAD & BRIDGE IMRF** of **\$31,225.88**. Motion carried by voice vote.

- E. There was a combined motion by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Wells to approve **SOCIAL SECURITY AND R & B SOCIAL SECURITY of \$11,626.90**. Motion carried by voice vote.

## **VI. REPORTS**

- A. Assessor Davis Offutt was attending a continuing education session and had submitted a written report.
- B. Highway Commissioner Shoemaker reported that the township's resurfacing project was 85% complete. As a result of yesterday's storm, there was minimal damage in the township. The storm sewer structure at Jericho and McClaran roads has been completed.
- C. Supervisor Catching reported that he has been investigating cost containment options for the Ride In Kane program. We have implemented a wait list for new registrations effective June 5<sup>th</sup>. We currently have 27 residents on the wait list. Costs for the sponsorship portion of the Ride In Kane program have risen from \$250,000 in 2009 to \$650,000 in 2012. We are looking at social rides and the possible restriction of this service. Other sponsoring entities already restrict their riders to jobs, job training and medical related trips only.
- D. Aurora Township has contracted with Stumm Insurance as the new broker for employee benefits administration. Blue Cross Blue Shield health insurance quotes for next year were estimated at 17-20% higher than last year, but actually came in more than 50% higher. We will submit updated census information to obtain quotes from other insurance companies. The enrollment date is August 1<sup>st</sup> for the 2013-14 plan year.

## **VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- A. The Review of Resolution 2011-14 Regarding Hiring and Terminating Employees was tabled by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore. The resolution will be reviewed for changes and presented to the board at a future meeting. Motion passed by voice vote.

## **VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. A motion to approve Ordinance 2013-10, Prevailing Wage Act was made by Supervisor Catching, seconded by Trustee Reyna. Motion passed by voice vote.

## **IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- A. State Representative Stephanie Kifowit introduced herself and welcomed the new board members. She stated that she looks forward to working together and encouraged the board members to contact her if they need to discuss issues that she may be able to assist them with.
- B. Ricky Rodgers, African American Men of Unity, welcomed the new board members and presented his annual report as part of his 2012 Funders Consortium Grant reporting requirements. His organization is hosting a six-week basketball program for youth ages 9-16 years of age. They are also hosting a JuneTeenth event at Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Park on Saturday, June 15<sup>th</sup> from 3:30 pm to 7:30 pm. He thanked the board for their continued support of his program.
- C. Eva Rodgers also welcomed the new board and hoped that they will provide the highest level of transparency for the township residents.
- D. Randy Ryder, also of the African American Men of Unity, said that their basketball program was only \$250 short of their sponsorship goal. He hoped the board would consider sponsoring the shortage this year.

## **X. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Supervisor Catching announced the Town and Road & Bridge Budget Hearings will be held on Thursday, June 27, 2013 beginning at 3:30 pm at the Aurora Township Main Office, 80 N. Broadway, Aurora.

Supervisor Catching also announced that the Foundation for Aurora Township Senior and Youth Services will be hosting a drive through Fay's BBQ Dinner on Monday, June 24, 2013 from 4:30 to 7:00 pm at the Aurora Township Youth and Community Center, 313 Gale Street, Aurora.

## **XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

There was a motion made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Moore to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters. Motion was approved unanimously on a roll call vote. The Board went into executive session at 4:42pm.

The Board came out of executive session at 5:09 pm.

## **XII. ADJOURMENT**

A motion to adjourn was made by Supervisor Catching and seconded by Trustee Reyna. The motion carried by voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 pm.

The next regular scheduled meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 27, 2013 at 4:00 pm in the Township office.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patricia Richardson". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Patricia Richardson  
Aurora Township Clerk Pro-tem