

AURORA TOWNSHIP BOARD of TRUSTEES MEETING

313 Gale Street, Aurora, Illinois

Thursday, October 13, 2022

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISH QUORUM

Aurora Township Supervisor Bill Catching called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and led all present in the pledge of allegiance. Trustee Hicks gave the invocation. Clerk Alexander called the roll and established a quorum with the following Officials and Board members present: Supervisor William Catching; Trustees Dolores Hicks, David Moore, and Juanita Wells. Trustee Sam Núñez, Highway Commissioner Jason Owens, and Assessor Davis Offutt were excused absent. Staff present: Director of Community Services Ken Maurice, Director of Finance and Administration Patty Richardson, Dan Taylor, and Celia Rodriguez, of the Aurora Township Highway Department, who substituted for Commissioner Owens. Public present: Dr. Peggy Hicks.

- II. Supervisor Catching moved to APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF September 22, 2022, which was seconded by Trustee Hicks. With no discussion, the motion carried by unanimous voice vote.**

III. APPROVAL AND/OR AUDIT OF TOWNSHIP AND ROAD DISTRICT BILLS

Supervisor Catching moved to approve the combined Town Fund, Road and Bridge Fund, General Assistance Fund, Mental Health Fund, Equipment & Building Fund, Town IMRF Fund, R&B IMRF Fund, Town Social Security Fund, and Road & Bridge Social Security Fund bills. It was seconded by Trustee Wells. The bills are as follows:

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| Town Fund..... | \$97,430.31 |
| Road & Bridge Fund..... | \$262,288.13 |
| General Assistance Fund..... | \$6,625.85 |
| Mental Health Fund..... | \$123,860.90 |
| Equipment & Building Fund..... | \$1,641.00 |
| Town IMRF Fund..... | \$2,590.86 |
| R&B IMRF Fund..... | \$439.98 |
| Social Security Fund..... | \$5,048.62 |
| R&B Social Security Fund..... | \$981.05 |

The total for all funds is \$500,906.70. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

IV. REPORTS

a. Assessor's Report

Assessor Davis Offutt turned in a written report stating the usual duties of the department.

b. Highway Commissioner's Report

Celia Rodriguez of the Aurora Township Highway Department submitted a written report on behalf of Jason Owens summarizing the usual duties of the department.

c. Supervisor's Report

- Supervisor Bill Catching said he has been asked by the family of Joe Hernandez to have a street dedication to him. He was the first director of the Youth Center when it was run by the YMCA. Although there is no formal process for this, Catching talked with Commissioner Owens and they can order a sign and pick a date to dedicate.
- Holy Angels Boy Scout Troop #46 has requested a sponsor/home since Holy Angels Church can no longer sponsor them. Catching said we could accommodate most requests but wanted to run it by our attorney and added he will bring any agreement to the board.
- The Senior Advisory Commission met two weeks ago and put out applications for grants to the groups who were previously funded as well as to two new groups. The applications are due October 21. There will be another meeting

at the main office on November 2nd for the commission to discuss the applications and on Nov. 7 they will host applicants for presentations to the committee. They expect to have funding recommendations ready to give to the board at the November 17 regular board meeting.

- Aurora Township will sponsor a table at the Urban League Gala at the Marriott of Naperville on October 29.
- Supervisor Catching said letters were sent to the people on the services list to see if they still want snow removal services. He is looking at hiring Riley Lawn Service in addition to the regular Barajas Service to split the chores evenly between the east and west sides, since the demand has grown so much.

d. Director of Community Services Report

Director of Community Services Ken Maurice turned in a written report. Highlights: 26 youth are registered for after-school activities; the international bus has "Aurora Township" lettered on both sides and the front; the kitchen repairs and paving of back lot could be completed by early November; the Aurora Township Youth Commission met on October 18th and the install of an automated fence off Woodlawn is planned for early November. Also, there will be an open house at the Youth & Community Center for the new video game room on November 10th from 5 – 7 p.m.

V. NEW BUSINESS

a. Resolution 2022-30 Transfer of Appropriation – Town Fund

Supervisor Catching moved to pass resolution 2022-30 Transfer of Appropriation – Town Fund which was seconded by Trustee Moore. There was no discussion and the motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

b. Resolution 2022-31 Transfer of Appropriation – General Assistance Fund

Supervisor Catching moved to pass resolution 2022-31 Transfer of Appropriation – General Assistance Fund which was seconded by Trustee Hicks. There was no discussion and the motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

VI. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Trustee Wells attended the Age Guide Summit on October 4 and said that Micki Miller, of Senior Services, thanked Aurora Township for the wonderful programs they have provided to them, such as Black History Month programs, etc.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS– NONE

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Trustee Hicks said Senior Services has had their last Senior Dance for the year but will continue them next Spring.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor Catching moved to adjourn which was seconded by Trustee Wells. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 4:23 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Cassidy Alexander
Town Clerk