

MINUTES of the AURORA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
80 N. Broadway, Aurora, Illinois
Thursday, January 9, 2025

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- INVOCATION**
- ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISH QUORUM**

Trustee David Moore called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m. and led all present in the pledge of allegiance. Trustee Hicks gave the invocation. Clerk Cassidy Alexander called the roll and established a quorum with the following officials and board members present: Trustee Dolores Hicks, Trustee David Moore, Trustee Sam Núñez, Trustee Juanita Wells, and Highway Commissioner Jason Owens. Supervisor Catching and Assessor Davis Offutt were excused absent. Staff present: Director of Finance and Administration Patty Richardson. Public present: Dr. Peggy Hicks, Dr. Vincent Gaddis, Dr. Walter Blalark, Kane County Deputy Sheriff Riley and Kane County Deputy Sheriff Alvarez.

II. Trustee David Moore moved to **Approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of December 26, 2024**, which was seconded by Trustee Núñez. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

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

a. Trustee Moore moved to approve the combined Town Fund, Road and Bridge Fund, General Assistance Fund, Equipment & Building Fund, Senior Citizens Services Fund, Town IMRF Fund, Town Social Security Fund, Road & Bridge Social Security Fund, and Road & Bridge IMRF Fund bills as presented to the board. It was seconded by Trustee Hicks. The bills are as follows:

Town Fund.....	\$72,609.02
Road & Bridge Fund.....	\$173,380.83
General Assistance Fund.....	\$4,693.50
Equipment & Building Fund.....	\$7,077.15
Senior Citizens Services Fund.....	\$487,700.00
Town IMRF Fund.....	\$455.63
Town Social Security Fund.....	\$4,686.57
R&B Social Security Fund.....	\$1,140.47
R&B IMRF Fund.....	\$121.58
<u>Total of all funds.....</u>	<u>\$751,864.75</u>

Director of Finance and Administration Patty Richardson pointed out that the very large bill from the Road & Bridge Fund was for construction in 2024. Without further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

IV. REPORTS

- a. Assessor's Report

Assessor Davis Offutt submitted a written report of the usual duties of the department.

- b. Highway Commissioner's Report

Highway Commissioner Jason Owens submitted a written report on the usual winter duties of the department. He stated that they have installed a new weather station to help them see what's going on.

- c. Supervisor's Report - None
- d. Director of Community Services Report

Interim Director of Community Services Jennifer Haurykiewicz submitted a written report.

- e. Kane County Deputy Sheriff's Report

Deputy Alvarez gave some statistics for December and emphasized that car thefts are on the rise, mainly Kias and Hyundais, and warned everyone to be sure to lock your cars and have outside lights on at night. He also reminded us that any cars parked on the street after 2" of snow has fallen are subject to towing, so please park in your driveways.

V. NEW BUSINESS - none

VI. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Trustee Wells wished a Happy Birthday to all board members who have recently had or will recently have birthdays, including Trustee Hicks, Trustee Núñez, Trustee Moore and Clerk Alexander.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dr. Peggy Hicks introduced Dr. Walter Blalark, the President of Living Daylights, a non-profit organization. Dr. Hicks said their program has been asked to be duplicated in many communities across the country. Dr. Blalark thanked the township for its funding and described the program as a drop-in organization for seniors. He said they teach computer literacy, educate about Health concerns, and connect with other seniors. Dr. Gaddis added that they have built partnerships with other community organizations such as the sheriff department, police department and Alzheimer's Association and said they also plan get-togethers with youth groups. Trustee Hicks added that she is a part of it and that seniors develop their social skills with this organization and Trustee Moore described it as "a Godsend."

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Trustee Hicks said the Senior Citizens Service Committee quarterly meeting will be January 24th at 9 a.m. at 400 Mercy Lane. She said the Ink Board would host.

Dr. Peggy Hicks announced that the Martin Luther King breakfast will be January 20th at Gayles Memorial Church from 9:30 to 11:30. It includes a free breakfast and is put on by the Fox Valley Christian Ministerial Alliance.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Moore moved to adjourn, which was seconded by Trustee Wells. With a unanimous voice vote, the meeting was adjourned at 4:28 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Cassidy Alexander, Town Clerk