TOWN OF AURORA

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING Thursday, February 8, 2024

The Aurora Town Board met at the town hall on Thursday, February 8, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. Officers present were Chairman CJ Young, Supervisor Jeff Toll, Supervisor Andy Przybyl, and Clerk Ann Mosling. Residents Thomas Mosling and Devin Petit also attended the meeting. Attendees recited "The Pledge of Allegiance."

The clerk posted the meeting Agenda on Tuesday, February 6th at these locations: 1) Town of Aurora website (www.townaurora.com), 2) Town Hall board, and 3) Town board located at Midway Gas and Oil. A motion was made by Andy, and seconded by Jeff, to approve the agenda and proceed with the meeting. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Andy, and seconded by Jeff, to approve the Minutes from the January 11, 2024 Regular Board Meeting and enter them into the official record. Motion carried.

Officers' Reports:

A) Treasurer's Report:

The checking account beginning balance for **January 2024** was \$577,546.36.

Deposits: \$775,598.98, including \$114.96 in earned interest

Payments: \$489,058.17, with no outstanding checks The month-end cash on-hand balance was \$864,087.17.

YTD Receipts: \$775,598.98 YTD Disbursements: \$486,558.89

A motion was made by Andy, and seconded by Jeff, to approve the Treasurer's reports. Motion carried.

B) Clerk:

- Action Appraisers Open Book (over the phone) scheduled for April 18th 9-11am
- Board of Review scheduled May 9th 5-7pm at the Aurora Town Hall
- Discussion with approved updates made to the Election Day Emergency Response Plan in event of long-term power outage and emergency contacts.
- Fire alarm system experienced "trouble/trouble battery" during the week of Jan 29th. Discovered that no inspection had been performed during 2023. Contacted Ahern. They still had Katie's home phone as point of contact. Ahern performed inspection and found no deficiencies and replaced both backup batteries. Point of contact updated to Ann.
- Street sign for Cumberland Ave/37th Ave will be reinstalled. It was removed by the company digging and installing cable and simply left laying in the ditch.
- DataPro serviced the clerk's laptop on 2/7/2024 for slow performance and other issues. Requires RAM upgrade as it currently only has 4GB – cost \$50.

C) Board

CJ: Allen Chikowski/36th wants to build an addition to an existing shed. The issue is that the shed is actually located in the road right-of-way. The County Zoning dept has referred this matter to the Town of Aurora. The board's goal will be to try to do something that will prevent a requirement for the shed to be removed and simultaneously allow an addition to be built onto the shed. The town must continue to maintain and plow the road, and allow traffic to turn around at the end of the road, including school buses. CJ has offered a possible suggestion to cut the road off and get a 60' easement. This issue should be put on the agenda for next month for discussion and possible action.

Business:

1. Andy has volunteered to attend BOR training for 2024. His completed training will satisfy the state's training requirement for the Town of Aurora. Ann also expressed an interest in repeating training this year. A motion was made by Andy, and seconded by Jeff, to buy the UW Madison Extension: Board of Review training video and handbooks for a cost of \$40, and make the training available to all our board members. Motion carried. Ann to do.

- 2. CJ has arranged with Brian Freimark to have the Waushara County Highway Dept conduct the small bridge/culvert inventory for the Town of Aurora. Ann will need to submit the selection indication form to the county and to WTA.
- 3. Road report: Becky Olsen will continue to mow the cemetery and town hall lawn in 2024. Pete Kallas will continue to mow Town of Aurora ditches in 2024. The transmission controller in the dash of the mowing tractor still requires repair. Repair cost estimate \$1050-\$1080 plus shipping and will take approximately 3 weeks.
- 4. Ann reported that the carpeting in the town hall is in desperate need of cleaning as it has multiple soiled spots, in both the hall and the office, and has a terrible smell. Also found a dead mouse in the utility room. A motion was made by Andy, and seconded by CJ, to hire a service to clean the town hall and office, including carpet cleaning. Motion carried. Ann to do.
- 5. A motion was made by Andy, and seconded by Jeff, to approve the scheduled payments. Motion carried. Checks were signed by CJ and Andy.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Ann Mosling, Clerk