TOWN OF AURORA MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING Thursday, March 13, 2025

The Aurora Town Board met at the town hall on Thursday, March 13, 2025, at 7:00 pm. Officers present were Chairman CJ Young, Supervisor I Jeff Toll, Supervisor II Andy Przybyl, Treasurer Melissa Zamzow, and Clerk Ann Mosling. Resident Tom Mosling was also present.

Chairman Young called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

The Clerk verified that the meeting Agenda was posted on Tuesday, March 11th at these locations: 1) Town of Aurora website (<u>www.townaurora.com</u>), 2) Town Hall board, and 3) Town board located at Midway Gas and Oil. A motion was made by Jeff, and seconded by Andy, 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 February 13, 2025 Regular Board meeting, and enter them into the official record. Motion carried.

Officers' Reports:

A) Treasurer's Report:

The checking account beginning balance for **February 2025** was \$1,103,400.93. Deposits: \$125,424.79, including \$105.85 in earned interest Payments: \$964,707.77, with three outstanding checks totaling \$3,675.66 The month-end cash on-hand balance was \$260,442.29.

YTD Receipts: \$916,470.92 YTD Disbursements: \$1,348,969.85

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

- B) Clerk:
 - Action Appraisers is charging \$32,150 for the 2025 Maintenance and Market Update services, which includes a revaluation of all property value in Aurora. The first payment of \$8,037 is included in this month's distribution.
 - **Open Book** and **Board of Review** for the Town of Aurora will not be scheduled until after August 5th this year. Action Appraisers requires updated tax reports from the WI DOR, released in August 2025, to complete their property value assessments.
 - The WI Asphalt Pavement Assoc. is holding a seminar on April 14th in Appleton. See the clerk for info and registration.
 - Waushara County Code amendments are being made to: Chapter 8 Building and Mechanical Code, Chapter 42 Subdivision Code, and Chapters 54 & 58 Zoning Code. Amendments will be considered at a public hearing of the county's Planning and Zoning Committee on Thursday, March 20, 2025. Drafts of the changes may be viewed by contacting the clerk. Anyone wishing to comment on the changes can do so at or prior to the meeting.
 - Ahern completed an inspection of the fire alarm system on 3/7/2025. No deficiencies were found.
 - Spring Election is on Tuesday, April 1, 2025. In-person absentee voting begins 3/18/2025.
 - Waushara County Economic Development Corporation, inactive since 2021, is being revitalized and is looking for municipal partners. The meeting is scheduled for April 16, 2025 at 1pm, and will focus on what the Corporation can do for the county and what the priorities should be.
 - A bill has not been received yet for 2024-2025 snow plowing services.
 - April monthly board meeting & Annual Board meeting scheduled on April 9, 2025
- C) Board
 - Jeff: County Zoning Dept is reviewing the Otto Brey County Park for possible upgrades.

- Andy: Received 3 calls with positive feedback from snow plowing services. He has also received a couple of calls about spots of upheaval in the road pavement. These cannot be repaired until the frost of out of the ground.
- CJ: Received 1 complaint about the snowplow leaving snow in a driveway. This is sometimes unavoidable.

Business:

- Discussion w/ decision on a concrete contractor for town hall parking lot and sidewalk: A contractor should quote: 1) dirt work needed to slope area to route water run-off, 2) pave parking lot in both concrete and blacktop, 3) concrete sidewalk and curbs, 4) pave driveway in both concrete and blacktop. Concrete contractor will possibly act as general contract to subcontract blacktop. CJ contacted Dave S/Zoning Dept about splitting the cost of paving the driveway with the county.
- 2. Andy became the new chairman of the Welsh Cemetery board and requested that the records for this organization be moved to the town hall. Records contain info about mowing, insurance, etc. Yearly operational costs for the cemetery are \$6-7K. A motion was made by CJ, and seconded by Jeff, to move the file cabinet containing the Welsh Cemetery records into the town hall office. Motion carried.
- 3. Charter Spectrum Permits to construct/maintain/repair utilities within highway right-of-way: No action.
- 4. A motion was made by Andy, and seconded by CJ, to approve hiring Vanda Lemke to the town's lawn mowing position for 2025. Motion carried.
- 5. Ongoing discussion of switching to Waushara County EMS service: CJ has still not received the results for a drive time test for the longest route in Aurora.
- 6. The 2025 Road Inspection is scheduled for April 13, 2025 starting at 8:00 am.
- 7. The Board completed an audit of the Treasurer's ledger and Clerk's QuickBooks financial records. No deficiencies or inconsistencies were found between them.
- 8. Road report: CJ plans to have the county begin fixing potholes after April 1st.

Current projects:

- a. 36th Ct/Allen Chikowski CJ: no status on meeting with County Zoning Wed, Dec 18^{th –} no action
- b. Pothole Cypress Dr near X intersection: Andy has refilled this pothole with gravel several times to date; this is a temporary measure until it can be properly fixed after ground thaws ure projects:

Future projects:

- Blacktop town hall parking lot and make curbs/sidewalk-getting quotes from concrete contractors
- Replace street signs south of Hwy 21/west of 49
- Next year's seal coating projects / crack fill before seal coating if we have the money:
 - E. Waushara from Retzlaff's to top of the hill, approximately 1 mile
 - Side streets off of E. Waushara
 - 32nd Dr (road to Walmart): ditching, need quote on overlay, roadway sagging at culvert (culvert itself verified OK)

9. A motion was made by Andy, and seconded by Jeff, to approve the scheduled payments. Motion carried.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.

Ann Mosling, Clerk