

TOWN OF AURORA
TOWN BOARD WORK SESSION
May 22, 2012

The following members of the Aurora Town Board met on Tuesday, May 22, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Auditorium, 300 Gleed Avenue, East Aurora, NY, for the purpose of holding a work session.

Present:	Jolene M. Jeffe Jeffrey T. Harris Susan A. Friess James J. Bach	Supervisor Councilman Councilwoman Councilman
Absent/Excused:	James F. Collins	Councilman
Others Present:	Ronald Bennett Patrick Blizniak Peggy Cooke Charles Snyder David Gunner Richard Glover Robert Goller Mike Marino	Town Attorney Superintendent of Building Recreation Director Planning Board Highway Superintendent Planning Board Webmaster/Historian CRA Engineering

Supervisor Jeffe opened the work session at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The Board met to discuss the following:

1) Town Website :

Robert Goller presented several alternatives for upgrading the Town's website. The minutes on the website need to be in searchable pdf format. We also want to be able to edit the look of the website, including changing photos. Our current website software is not supported. Proposals were received from:

iEvolue Technology Services, Amherst, NY	\$2325 to convert <u>and</u> redesign website
North Shore Solutions, Clayton, NY	\$790/year
Digital Towpath Cooperative	\$1000/year

2) Scenic Byway Sign:

Bob Lennartz of the Scenic Byway Committee has requested that the Town provide a location for the sign before June 10th and supply the information that will be printed on the sign by June 20th. It was decided that the sign should be erected at the West Falls Dam Site.

3) Phone and Data Wiring RFQ for Gleed renovation:

Specifications for the phone and data wiring were reviewed. The deadline to submit quotes will be June 7, 2012 to coincide with the phone system quote submittal.

Councilman Bach moved to approve requesting quotes for the installation of data and voice wiring within the Town's office layout at 300 Gleed Avenue. Councilman Harris seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.	Action #176 RFQ's for voice/data wiring for Gleed being sought.
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4) Gutter/Drainage RFQ for Glead Avenue:

The specifications for this project will be available prior to the May 29th meeting.

5) Library Grant – Roof Replacement and Rear Porch Repair:

The Aurora Town Library is the recipient of a State Library Construction grant in the amount of \$108,200 to replace its flat roof and restore its peaked roof. The Town will go out to bid for this project. Supervisor Jeffe stated that the replacement of the roof over the rear porch at the library will be added to the roof bid as Alternate Bid No. 1 and the replacement of the concrete pad and pillars of the rear porch will be added as Alternate Bid No. 2. The Supervisor noted that Library Director Rob Alessi would prefer the construction start in September 2012.

6) Waldorf School request to camp at W. Falls Park:

Recreation Director Peggy Cooke received a request from the Waldorf School to camp overnight in West Falls Park on May 24, 2012. Since it is an overnight event, the request requires Town Board approval. Mrs. Cooke stated they submitted a certificate of insurance.

Councilwoman Friess moved to approve the request from the Waldorf School to allow 90 students and 25 adults to camp overnight at JP Nicely West Falls Park from 3 pm on May 24' 2012 through 5 pm on May 25, 2012. Councilman Bach seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four
noes – none
Motion carried.

Action #177
Waldorf
students to
camp at W
Falls Park.

7) East Aurora Swim Team (EAST) search for head coach:

Recreation Director Peggy Cooke stated that EAST has not had a full-time head coach for several years. The responsibilities are currently being handled by several assistant coaches, but the continuity of one head coach will be beneficial to the team. The job requires working five evenings per week along with weekend swim meets. Mrs. Cooke will advertise the position in the East Aurora Advertiser and on the USA Swim website.

8) Dog Agility Trial – Request to use Knox Farm Equestrian Park:

Up and Over Dog Sports (Mike Wolff, owner) has filed an application for use of the Neil and Barb Chur Equestrian Park at Knox Farm State Park for a dog agility trial on August 4-5, 2012. They are also requesting permission for seven or eight RV's/campers to stay on the grounds overnight. This will be placed on the May 29th meeting agenda.

9) Highway Dept. request to surplus equipment and purchase a conveyor:

Highway Superintendent David Gunner is requesting to have a 1977 box paver declared as surplus inventory. He is also requesting to purchase a used hydraulic truck conveyor and use the surplus box paver as a trade-in.

10) Blacktop Roller Repair:

Highway Superintendent David Gunner informed the Board that the 1996 Ferguson blacktop roller needed extensive repairs. He stated he authorized Baschmann Service, the local Ferguson dealer, to repair the roller. The estimate is around \$5000, with \$3300 of that amount being the cost of parts. This will be paid for from DB5130.432.

11) Water meter replacement:

In a memo to the Town Board, Highway Superintendent David Gunner is recommending installing new water meters in Town Districts 235, 14 and 12. This recommendation is based on the water loss rate in Town maintained water districts. Mr. Gunner will get information and costs of new meters.

12) Building Department request to sell Carbon Monoxide Detectors:

The Town Building Department personnel are requesting to sell carbon monoxide detectors through their office. The detectors are made available through the Amanda Hansen Foundation and cost \$10 each. The Foundation would supply 25 detectors at a time and the Town would pay for them once they are sold. Councilman Bach asked if the Town would be liable if one of the detectors sold by the Building Department were to fail. Councilwoman Friess suggested a trial run.

Councilwoman Friess moved to authorize the sale of carbon monoxide detectors by the Building Department and all monies received are to be turned in to the Town Clerk's office and receipted. Councilman Bach seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none

Action #178
CO detectors
to be sold thru
building dept.

Motion carried.

13) Funding Request:

The East Aurora Beautification Committee has submitted a request to the Town for a donation toward planting and maintaining flower baskets and planters along Main Street. Supervisor Jeffe stated she will contact the Village to see what they give towards the project.

14) Sale of 44 Jewett Holmwood Road (Town Property):

The Board discussed how to advertise the property for sale at 44 Jewett Holmwood. Suggestions were to advertise on the Town website, in the East Aurora Advertiser and with a sign on the property.

15) Reed Hill Subdivision Drainage District:

The Board held a public hearing on the proposed drainage district in the Reed Hill Subdivision at a prior meeting. The district will be Aurora Drainage District No. 2. At the May 29th meeting the Board will review SEQR for the district and consider a resolution approving the formation of the district.

16) Gleed Avenue renovation project:

A) Supervisor Jeffe stated that colors for the desks, dividers and wall paint are currently being considered. The carpeting has been selected.

B) Supervisor Jeffe stated that the reconfiguring of the Town office space at Gleed resulted in the elimination of the area that would house the Dog Control office. She noted that there are two possible locations: the small conference room next to the Supervisor's office or the highway building office area (old building). The Supervisor suggested that the highway location would be close to the kennels and the dog control truck can be parked there also. She will talk with the Dog Control Officer about this.

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17) Meals-on-Wheels location:

The local Meals-on-Wheels program is looking for a new location and Supervisor Jeffe asked if anyone had any suggestions, i.e., church, Moose Club, etc., where they could locate to.

18) NYS Parks – Senate/Assembly Bill:

Supervisor Jeffe stated there is a bill before the NY Senate that, if approved, would modify the term of lease agreements that the NYS Parks department can enter into. The current leases are no more than ten years; the proposal is to be able to enter into leases up to forty years. Jeffe noted that the Friends of Knox Farm State Park are in very much favor of this proposal.

Martha L. Librock
Town Clerk