

TOWN OF AURORA
TOWN BOARD WORK SESSION

February 28, 2011

The following members of the Aurora Town Board met on Monday, February 28, 2011 at 8:00 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	Supervisor
	Jeffrey T. Harris	Councilman
	Susan Friess	Councilwoman
	James F. Collins	Councilman
	James J. Bach	Councilman
Others Present:	Ronald Bennett	Town Attorney
	Bryan Smith	Town Engineer
	Patrick Blizniak	Supt. of Building
	Peggy Cooke	Recreation Director
	David Gunner	Highway Supt.
	Lisa Hoffman	Secretary to Supervisor

Supervisor Jeffe opened the work session at 8:00 p.m. The Board met to discuss the following:

1. Internet Service Update:

Lisa Hoffman stated that she has been working with One Communications and Time Warner to get quotes for updating the Town's internet service. Lisa noted that the best value would be to combine phone and internet service. Time Warner's quote is \$824.35 per month with no set contract length and One Communications quote is \$1132.56 per month with a 36 month contract period. Tony Rosati, CATV committee member, stated this might be a good time to look at negotiating moving the cable access channel to a lower numbered channel to make it more available to the public. This will be put on the 3/14/11 meeting agenda.

2. Pool Membership Donation(s):

Peggy Cooke is requesting to donate family pool memberships (to Community Pool) to several community organizations to use for fund raising in exchange for recreation services. This will be put on the 3/14/11 meeting agenda.

3. Tub-grinding Proposal:

David Gunner stated that he received a proposal from Lardon Construction to remove all of the leaves and brush stored at the Highway property for no charge. He noted that if the Town wants to have the leaves/brush ground into mulch for Town residents the quotes range from \$7495 to \$8700. This will be put on the 3/14/11 meeting agenda.

4. Lift gate for Pickup Truck:

David Gunner is requesting a new lift gate for their new pickup truck. Five quotes were received ranging from \$2360 to \$2995 for the lift gates. Mr. Gunner is proposing that Town personnel install the unit. If approved, this cost will be paid from SR8189.401 with money not spent to tub grind mulch for residents use. This will be put on the 3/14/11 meeting agenda.

5. Tires for Backhoe:

David Gunner is requesting to purchase two new tires for the Ford 555 Tractor/Backhoe. Three quotes ranging from \$1177 to \$1944 were received. Councilman Bach stated he wants to know the brand and ply of the tires being offered by the lowest bidder, Flynn's Omar's Tire Service, to make sure they are comparable to the tires being offered by the other two bidders. If approved, this cost will be paid from SR8189.401 with money not spent to tub grind mulch for resident's use. This will be put on the 3/14/ 11 meeting agenda.

6. Scan Tool Proposal:

David Gunner stated that highway employee, Wayne Francis, has requested an engine scan tool for the highway shop and Mr. Gunner is requesting to purchase the unit. Four quotes were received ranging from \$2750 to \$8641.40. Councilman Bach asked what trucks the unit would be used for and Mr. Gunner responded, all of them. Councilman Bach also asked what Mr. Francis's qualifications are and if what's diagnosed can be repaired in-house. Mr. Gunner suggested that Councilmen Bach and Harris sit down with Mr. Francis to discuss the unit and its use.

7. GPS Proposal:

David Gunner is requesting to purchase a GPS Tracking system for the (3) Town plow trucks, noting that it would be a good management tool and safety tool, especially since these are one man plows. Councilman Bach stated that there are a lot of benefits to GPS systems, but he wants to know specific benefits to the Town.

8. Electronic Waste Site Proposal:

In 2010 Environmental Conservation Law Article 27 Title 26 - Electronic Equipment Recycling and Reuse - was adopted. This law, which takes effect April 1, 2011, ensures that all New York State residents will have the opportunity to recycle electronic waste in an environmentally responsible manner. Regional Computer Recycling & Recovery (RCR&R), Victor, NY, is proposing a drop-off site at a Town of Aurora location – highway garage has been suggested. There is no cost to the Town other than having someone on-site to accept the equipment. Councilman Collins suggested that we work with the Village of East Aurora to coordinate a location.

Martha L. Librock
Town Clerk