

April 25, 2011

A meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Aurora took place on Monday, April 25, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Auditorium, 300 Gleed Avenue, East Aurora, New York.

Members Present:	Jolene M. Jeffe James F. Collins Susan A. Friess Jeffrey T. Harris	Supervisor Councilman Councilwoman Councilman
Absent/Excused:	James J. Bach	Councilman
Others Present:	Ronald P. Bennett Bryan Smith Patrick Blizniak David Gunner William Adams Ron Krowka	Town Attorney Town Engineer Superintendent of Building Superintendent of Highways Planning Board member Chief of Police

Supervisor Jeffe opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and a moment of silence memory of former Town Supervisor Henry J. Hager, Jr.

Councilman Harris moved to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2011 Town Board meeting; seconded by Councilwoman Friess. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four	noes – none	Motion carried.	Action #112 4/11/11 minutes aprvd.
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2010 AUDIT UPDATE

Tom Malecki, Drescher & Malecki LLP, gave an overview of the results of the 2010 Town Audit. Mr. Malecki talked about fund balance trends for General, Part-Town, Highway and Water funds, along with the operating income, expenses and debt service for Gleed. He stated that a formal letter will be filed with the Town Clerk sometime in the next couple of weeks.

After several comments from Board members, Supervisor Jeffe asked if anyone in the audience had any questions for the auditors.

John Hughes, Blakeley Road, asked if the 2010 Gleed expense figure includes debt service. Mr. Malecki responded, no.

Mike Croft, Fillmore Ave., asked about the police contract costs in the budget. Mr. Malecki responded that the police contract costs are a percentage of actual expenditures, noting that the percentage may remain constant, but the costs, especially retirement and healthcare, are not predictable.

BUSINESS FROM AUDIENCE I:

Bill Patterson, Grover Road, asked if agenda item 9 (Business from Audience II) could be switched with item 10 (Business from Board members/Liaisons). Supervisor Jeffe responded that she didn't see why it couldn't be changed.

Mike Croft, Fillmore Ave., commented on what he had heard about the new roof for Gleed only being good for fifteen years. Mr. Croft also stated that village residents have seen their taxes go down. Town Engineer, Bryan Smith, responded to Mr. Croft's comment about the Gleed roof, stating that the roof being considered has a 15 year guarantee and a life expectancy of 25 to 30 years and that approximately 50% of the roof needs replacement. The rest is in good condition.

NEW BUSINESS:

The current health insurance contract for Town employees expires 5/31/11. The costs for Independent Health plans are: Flex Fit Select Family \$1,161.62/mo.; Flex Fit Select Single \$438.35/mo.; Passport Plan Select Family \$971.49/mo.; and Passport Plan Select Single \$366.60/mo.

Councilwoman Friess moved to authorize the Supervisor to sign the agreement with Independent Health, 511 Farber Lakes Drive, Buffalo, NY, for health care coverage for eligible Town employees for the period June 1, 2011 through May 31, 2012. Councilman Harris seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

Action #113
Supv. auth to
sign agreement
with
Independent
Health.

Councilman Collins moved to table agenda item 7B – HVAC update until that time when costs for repairing or replacing one or more HVAC units at 300 Gleed are received. Councilwoman Friess seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

Action #114
Gleed HVAC
update tabled.

Councilman Harris moved to amend the meeting agenda by switching item 9 (Business from Audience II) with item 10 (Business from Board members/Liaisons). Councilman Collins seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

Action #115
Agenda
amended.

BUSINESS FROM BOARD MEMBERS/LIAISONS:

Councilman Harris commented on the proposal to have sidewalks from the Reed Hill subdivision to the existing sidewalk along Route 20A, noting he didn't think the town could insist on them since they're not part of the subdivision.

Supervisor Jeffe attended a Meals-on-Wheels function, noting that the program served over 17,000 meals to 77 clients in the East Aurora area in 2010. The Supervisor stated that USDA Rural Development recently did an audit of the Town's water districts that are financed through USDA RD and that in three (3) years the Town will have to do a compliance audit.

BUSINESS FROM AUDIENCE II:

Melissa Dispenza, Quaker Road, stated that the proposed sidewalk on Route 20A would mean the removal of several large pine trees, cast-concrete steps and part of her front lawn. Ms. Dispenza noted that the Reed Hill subdivision and its impact on her property is causing her emotional and financial stress.

Tony Rosati, Center Street, asked if a proposition could be put on the November ballot asking people if they want to set up a capital reserve for library purposes. Attorney Bennett responded that the town can not hold an "advisory" referendum. Supervisor Jeffe stated that capital reserve funds can be created "in-house".

STAFF REPORTS:

Planning Board member Bill Adams stated he is in favor of a sidewalk that would connect the Reed Hill Subdivision with the existing sidewalk on Route 20A because the sidewalk would be for the welfare/safety of residents. He noted the 700' long sidewalk would be in the right-of-way and would cost approximately \$12,000.

Chief of Police Ron Krowka reported there were more than 1,000 runners in this year's Rotary Club sponsored "Bunny Hop" 5k run.

The April 25, 2011 Abstract of Claims, consisting of vouchers numbered 641 to 738, was presented to the Board for audit and authorization of payment from the following funds:

General	\$ 58,523.32
Part Town	2,686.24
Highway	13,571.50
Enterprise/Gleed	3,384.48
Capital	65.00
Trust & Agency	1,955.73
Special Districts	<u>101,834.81</u>
Grand Total Abstract	\$ 182,021.08

Councilwoman Friess moved to approve the April 25, 2011 Abstract of Claims as presented and to authorize payment of same; seconded by Councilman Harris. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

Action #116
4/15/11
Abstract of
Claims
approved.

Councilman Collins moved to enter into executive session to discuss confidential audit document and a particular employee's performance, with no action being taken during the session. Councilwoman Friess seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

Action #117
Board enters
exec. session

Councilwoman Friess moved to come out of executive session; seconded by Councilman Harris. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

Action #118
Board exits
exec. session.

Councilman Collins moved to adjourn; seconded by Councilwoman Friess. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

Action #119
Meeting
adjourned.

Martha L. Librock
Town Clerk