

August 8, 2011

A meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Aurora took place on Monday, August 8, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Auditorium, 300 Gleed Avenue, East Aurora, New York.

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| Members Present: | Jolene M. Jeffe | Supervisor |
| | Susan A. Friess | Councilwoman |
| | James J. Bach | Councilman |
| | James F. Collins | Councilman |
| | Jeffrey T. Harris | Councilman |
| Others Present: | Ronald P. Bennett | Town Attorney |
| | Bryan Smith | Town Engineer |
| | Patrick Blizniak | Superintendent of Building |
| | Mark Hartley | Emergency Services Coordinator |
| | William Adams | Planning Board Member |
| | Ronald Krowka | Chief of Police |
| | David Gunner | Highway Superintendent |

Supervisor Jeffe opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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| Councilman Harris moved to approve the minutes of the July 25, 2011 Town Board meeting; seconded by Councilman Collins. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none | Motion carried. | Action #215 7/25/11 Town Board minutes approved |
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AUDIENCE I: none

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS:

Mark Hartley, Emergency Services/Disaster Preparedness Coordinator for the Town, spoke to the Board about the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan update funded by FEMA. Updates to the plan are required in order to comply with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 and maintain eligibility to apply for federal disaster mitigation funding. Erie County leads the effort for a multi-jurisdictional plan update and is inviting municipalities to participate. A representative and an alternate from the Town are to be identified. Mr. Hartley stated this is a five-year plan, similar to what was done in 2005.

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| Councilman Collins moved to authorize the Supervisor to sign the Statement of Authority advising the Erie County Department of Emergency Services that the Town of Aurora will participate in the first update of the Erie County multi-jurisdictional hazard mitigation plan and designating Mark Harley as “representative” and Randy Taylor as “alternate”. Councilwoman Friess seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none | Motion carried. | Action #216 Supv. auth. to sign Erie County emergency svcs statement |
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| Councilwoman Friess moved to declare the Town of Aurora as Lead Agency for the Mill Road Scenic Overlook, for purposes of SEQR; seconded by Councilman Collins. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none | Motion carried. | Action #217 Town declared lead agency for Mill Road Scenic Overlook |
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The Board reviewed Part 2 – Project Impacts and Their Magnitude - of the SEQR Full Environmental Assessment Form for the Mill Road Scenic Overlook, answering No to all questions except Impact on Land – 1) Will the Proposed Action result in a physical change to the project site? The answer was given as Yes - Other impacts: small to moderate for the scenic overlook that will encompass less than .5 acres.

Councilman Bach moved to issue a Negative Declaration for purposes of SEQRA for the Mill Road Overlook project; seconded by Councilwoman Friess. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five
noes – none Motion carried.

Action #218
Neg. Dec.
issued for Mill
Rd. Overlook
SEQR

Councilman Harris moved to approve the following:

**RESOLUTION
APPROVING OPEN DEVELOPMENT AREA PLAN
TO SPLIT SBL# 163.00-3-31.2 WILLARDSHIRE ROAD,
TOWN OF AURORA, NEW YORK**

WHEREAS, Chapter 79 of the Code of The Town of Aurora establishes standards for landowners who wish to develop or subdivide land that lacks required public road frontage for standard lot development (known as “open development area”); and

WHEREAS, the Applicant has filed an Open Development Area application to subdivide SBL# 163.00-3-31.2 located along the south side of Willardshire Road, into two parcels, one of which will be a 5.0 acre parcel lacking required public road frontage; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant has made every reasonable attempt and all necessary effort to comply with specifications of Chapter 79 of the Code of the Town of Aurora; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Aurora approves the Open Area Development application to split SBL# 163.00-3-31.2, located along the south side of Willardshire Road, into two parcels, one of which will be a 5.0 acre parcel lacking required public road frontage; and

RESOLVED, that approval by the Town Board of the Town of Aurora is expressly for the split of SBL#163.00-3-31.2, located along the south side of Willardshire Road, into two parcels, one consisting of 6.5 acres with required road frontage and the other 5.0 acres lacking required road frontage; and

RESOLVED, that any future development on the parcel lacking required road frontage will be subject to the standards and requirements of Chapter 79 of the Code of the Town of Aurora without modification, variance or waiver; and **BE IT FURTHER**

RESOLVED, that said Open Development Area Plan for the split of SBL# 163.00-3-31.2 Willardshire Road into two parcels is approved.

Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Action #219
Willardshire
Rd. property
split open dev
area plan aprvd

Supervisor Jeffe noted that the Board had received one email from a neighboring property owner objecting to this Open Development Plan. Councilman Collins stated that this approval is for the property split and that any development on the flag lot needs further approval.

Action #220
P. Blizniak &
W. Kramer
authorized to
attend NFBOA
conference.

Councilwoman Friess moved to approve the request from Patrick Blizniak and William Kramer to attend the Niagara Frontier Building Officials Conference at the Sheraton Hotel in Niagara Falls, NY on September 15, 2011. The registration fee of \$10 each and mileage reimbursement of approximately \$36 will be disbursed from A3620.404. Councilman Bach seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken:
ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Councilman Collins moved to approve the request from Highway Superintendent Gunner to change the work classification of Colleen Seiner from clerk part time to clerk part time seasonal effective August 9, 2011. Councilman Harris seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Action #221
C. Seiner job
class changed
to clerk PT
seasonal.

Councilwoman Friess moved to approve the following recreation budget transfer:
From: A7020.112 Rec. Admin. – Secretarial \$1,000
To: A7020.113 Rec. Admin. – Secretary PT Seasonal \$1,000
Councilman Bach seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Action #222
Recreation
budget transfer
approved.

Barbara Halt, Receiver of Taxes, informed the Board that Deputy Tax Receiver Patricia Link is resigning effective 9/1/11 and she will be appointing Nancy DeWitt, Center St., E. Aurora, to fill the Deputy Tax Receiver vacancy effective 9/1/11.

Action #223
N. DeWitt,
Deputy tax
rcvr, pay rate
set

Councilman Harris moved to approve the pay rate of \$11.00 per hour for Nancy DeWitt effective September 1, 2011. Councilwoman Friess seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five
noes – none Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS – The following communications were received by the Board and filed:

- Tax Receiver – July 2011 Report
- Recreation Director – July 2011 Report
- Town Clerk – July 2011 Report
- Mill Road Scenic Overlook – update and case statement
- Erie County Libraries – District Options

BUSINESS FROM BOARD MEMBERS AND LIAISONS:

Councilman Bach reported on his recent visit to a gas compressor station in Pennsylvania. He accompanied two Wales Board members to view the site and monitor noise levels. Mr. Bach stated the compressor produces a humming noise that is definitely noticeable.

Supervisor Jeffe stated she is keeping in touch with the Wales Town Board regarding the compressor project. Aurora does not have jurisdiction to approve or disapprove the plans and will wait to see what decisions the Wales Board makes.

Councilman Collins commended the Open Space Committee on their case statement brochure and the work they've been doing for the Mill Road Overlook project.

Supervisor Jeffe stated she 1) met with NYS Parks Commissioner Rose Harvey and will be meeting again at Knox Park in the future; 2) met with department heads and the architect to begin plans for office layout at Gleed; 3) in an effort to conserve paper and streamline the process, emailed 2012 budget papers to the department heads.

AUDIENCE II: none

STAFF REPORTS:

Pat Blizniak reported that 40 permits were issued by the building department in July.

The August 8, 2011 Abstract of Claims, consisting of vouchers numbered 1462 to 1579, was presented to the Board for audit and authorization of payment from the following funds:

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| General | \$ 17,501.57 |
| Part Town | 1,159.88 |
| Highway | 96,793.24 |
| Enterprise/Gleed | 13,562.02 |
| Special Districts | <u>110,624.02</u> |
| Grand Total Abstract | \$239,640.73 |

Councilman Harris moved to approve the August 8, 2011 Abstract of Claims and to authorize payment of same. Councilwoman Friess seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Action #224
8/8/11
Abstract of
Claims aprvd

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

Action #225
Meeting
adjourned.

Martha L. Librock
Town Clerk