

TOWN OF AURORA
TOWN BOARD WORK SESSION
December 16, 2014

The following members of the Aurora Town Board met on Tuesday, December 16, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Southside Municipal Center Town Hall Auditorium, 300 Gleed Avenue, East Aurora, NY, for the purpose of holding a work session.

Present:	Jeffrey T. Harris	Councilman
	Jolene M. Jeffe	Councilwoman
	Susan A. Friess	Councilwoman
	Charles D. Snyder	Councilman
	James J. Bach	Supervisor

Others Present:	Ronald Bennett	Town Attorney
	William Wheeler	CRA Engineer

Supervisor Bach opened the work session at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and a moment of silence in memory of Martha “Muffy” Stephenson, a long-time recreation employee, who recently passed away.

1) Highway Supt. – SmartPhone options:

Highway Superintendent Gunner is requesting that his Town provided cell phone be upgraded to a SmartPhone. The Board reviewed the phone options available and stated that Mr. Gunner can choose one of the phones having a \$0 - \$50 purchase price through the Town’s cell phone plan.

2) Pump Station flooding:

The Board discussed the flooding at the Castle Hill pump station that resulted in the pumps shutting down and there being no water service to Victoria Heights, Castle Hill, Glenridge, Cook, Lapham, East Main and Park Lane South for several hours. Bill Wheeler suggested that the pump/motor should be looked at to see if the insulation got wet.

3) LED Lighting update:

Councilman Snyder stated he met with John Partsch of Siemens Industry, Inc., regarding replacing the fluorescent fixtures/bulbs at Southside Municipal Center with LED lighting. Mr. Partsch said the project is too small for his company and they would reconsider if all the Town buildings were included in the proposal. The Town Board developed a list of questions to ask Mr. Vargovich regarding the proposal from National Energy Professionals.

4) Mill Road Overlook Eagle Scout project:

Quinn Schwab spoke to the Board about his Eagle Scout project that the Town Board approved on September 16, 2014 – Action #293. Quinn reported that the project to remove rubbish from the gully at the Mill Road property was successful, noting that the Highway Department picked up the metal that was cleaned up from the site.

5) Capital Expense update:

Councilman Snyder presented a “wish” list of capital improvements, equipment purchases and minor improvements obtained from department heads and others. The list was broken down by location (i.e., community pool, parks, highway, 300 Gleed, and Senior Center). The list includes, but is not limited to:

Community Pool – handicapped lift; hot water tank; vinyl fence, concrete repairs, baby pool liner
Parks – South St. tennis court
Highway – tandem dump truck; excavator, plow truck, concrete block repair/paint
Southside Municipal Center – mill/pave parking lots, storm drain lines, generator, roof replacement, rooftop HVAC units

6) Southside Municipal Center - lease:

Daniel Savage, Managing Partner of Resolute Digital LLC, has completed a commercial tenant application to lease an area on the second floor of the Southside Municipal Center. Supervisor Bach stated that the rent would be approximately \$450 per month. A lease agreement needs to be drawn up.

7) 2014 Budget adjustments:

The Board discussed the list of budget adjustments from Freed Maxick. Councilwoman Jeffe asked if these were budget adjustments or journal entries. The Board questioned why this was being submitted now, since there will be more changes needed after the end of the year. Supervisor Bach will talk to Laura Landers from Freed Maxick regarding this.

8) Senior Center HVAC:

During the November snowstorm, RTU #1 at the Senior Center malfunctioned and released natural gas into the center. The unit was shut down by building maintenance personnel. TriR Mechanical gave a proposal for repairing the unit (\$2149) or replacing it (\$7790). Councilman Snyder stated he would speak to Dick Glover to get his opinion on how to proceed with this.

9) Association of Towns school:

The Association of Towns is offering a school/training session for newly elected officials on January 9, 2015. Councilman Snyder stated he would like to attend.

Martha L. Librock
Town Clerk