

May 14, 2012

A meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Aurora took place on Monday, May 14, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Auditorium, 300 Gleed Avenue, East Aurora, New York.

Members Present:	Jolene M. Jeffe	Supervisor
	James F. Collins	Councilman
	Susan A. Friess	Councilwoman
	James J. Bach	Councilman
	Jeffrey T. Harris	Councilman
Others Present:	Ronald Bennett	Town Attorney
	Bryan Smith	Town Engineer
	Patrick Blizniak	Supt. of Building
	David Gunner	Highway Supt.
	William Kramer	Building Inspector
	Peggy Cooke	Recreation Director
	Richard Glover	Planning Board
	Charles Snyder	Planning Board
	William Adams	Planning Board
	Timothy Bailey	Planning Board
	George Oliver	Library Board

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

Councilwoman Friess moved to approve the minutes of the April 17, 2012 Town Board work session; seconded by Councilman Bach. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried. Action #157 4/17/12 work session minutes aprvd

Councilman Bach moved to approve the minutes of the April 23, 2012 Town Board meeting; seconded by Councilwoman Friess. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried. Action #158 4/23/12 mtg minutes aprvd

AUDIENCE I:

James P. Collins, East Main Street, spoke about different types of deeds associated with Majors Park.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Councilman Collins moved to authorize going out to bid for the Majors Park fence project and setting the bid opening for 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, June 5, 2012 at Town Hall, 5 South Grove Street, East Aurora, NY. Councilman Bach seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried. Action #159 Bid opening set for Major Park fence

NEW BUSINESS

William Kramer, the Town's Stormwater Management Officer, stated that the annual MS4 Stormwater compliance document has been presented to the Board. He noted several areas of improvement: 1) additional training achieved; 2) water testing is being done; and 3) retention ponds are being inspected.

Councilwoman Friess moved to authorize the Supervisor to sign the MS4 Municipal Compliance form for the period ending March 9, 2012 (for the Stormwater Management Program). Councilman Collins seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried. Action #160 Supv auth to sign storm-water (MS4) compliance form

Councilman Bach moved to adopt the following resolution in support of a Veterans Cemetery at Knox Farm State Park; seconded by Councilwoman Friess:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A VETERANS
CEMETERY IN KNOX FARM STATE PARK

WHEREAS, the Town of Aurora strives to be a place where military veterans can feel at ease; and

WHEREAS, Western New York is the home of approximately 200,000 veterans, including those who live more than 75 miles from the nearest Veterans Cemetery; and

WHEREAS, the Town believes that because of the long history of military service in this area and the presence here of so many who have sacrificed and served; it is important to provide a permanent memorial here recognizing their lives and that service, and a cemetery would provide a final resting place of dignity and beauty, and would acknowledge their service and sacrifice and the value we place upon it; and

WHEREAS, Veterans Affairs (VA) officials have been trying to locate a Western New York site for a Veterans Cemetery since August, 2010 and a third new site selection effort was announced by VA officials on March 2, 2012; and

WHEREAS, this effort focuses within a 50 mile diameter area, which includes the Town of Aurora, and parts of Erie, Orleans, Niagara and Genesee Counties, and

WHEREAS, the Knox Farm State Park offers an ideal option within the selected area that provides serene, open meadows, surrounded by acres of natural habitat, and enables easy access via Route 400, a major highway; and

WHEREAS, the Village of East Aurora provides the ideal offering of hotels, bed and breakfasts, restaurants and shops for future Veterans Cemetery visitors; and

WHEREAS, many residents, local veterans, the East Aurora Chamber of Commerce, and several elected officials have expressed their strong desire for the consideration by the VA of a portion of Knox Farm State Park for this cemetery; and

WHEREAS, supporting this endeavor is not only a way to remember those who died for their country, but also those who were prepared to make the supreme sacrifice for their country in defense of those sacred ideals of liberty, freedom, and justice for all.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Aurora supports the consideration of a portion of Knox Farm State Park as a Veterans Cemetery serving Western New York; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Veterans Affairs Office in Washington, D.C., Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senator Charles Schumer, Senator Patrick Gallivan, Assemblywoman Jane Corwin, and New York State Parks Commissioner Rose Harvey.

Action #161
Resolution
supporting
VA cemetery
at Knox FSP
adopted.

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

Duly adopted this 14th day of May, 2012.

Councilwoman Friess moved to reconsider the recreation employee rates adopted at the last meeting. Councilman Harris seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Action #162
 Board to reconsider recreation pay rates.

Councilman Harris moved to amend Town Board Action #143 of 4/23/12 to correct the following rates of pay:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Incorrect Rate</u>	<u>Correct Rate</u>
Dan Coulter	\$7.85/\$8.70	\$7.60/\$8.70
Meg DeMario	\$7.85/\$8.70	\$7.60/\$8.70
Nicholas Puntillo	\$7.75	\$7.50

Action #163
 Recreation pay rates from action #143-4/23/12 amended.

Councilwoman Friess seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Councilwoman Friess moved to accept the following donations, totaling \$16,235.00, to be used exclusively for the Glead baseball/softball diamond project, with funds to be deposited to TA1000.112:

<u>Donor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Date Received</u>
Denise & David Neamon	\$25.00	4/27/12
Loyal Order of Moose	\$100.00	5/1/12
Cenergy	\$100.00	5/1/12
Aurora Outfitters LLC	\$6000.00	5/1/12
James J. Lilley Foundation, Inc.	\$10,000.00	5/2/12
Nancy & William Westfall	\$10.00	5/4/12

Councilman Bach seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Action #164
 Baseball diamond donations accepted.

Councilman Collins moved to authorize the full time highway department employees to work four (4) ten-hour days beginning June 4, 2012 and ending August 24, 2012, the hours being 6:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday – Thursday. Councilman Harris seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Action #165
 Hwy employees to work 4 10-hr days

Councilman Bach moved to approve the request from the Highway Superintendent to change the civil service classification of Elizabeth Deveso from Clerk Part-time to Clerk Part-time Seasonal effective May 12, 2012. Councilwoman Friess seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Action #166
 E. Deveso civil svc classification changed

Quotes to replace the back porch and support posts at the Aurora Main Street Library were received from:

Creative Concrete, Elma, NY	\$4100.00
Dodge Enterprises, E. Aurora, NY	\$7750.00
Varecka Builders, Inc., E. Aurora, NY	\$6496.71

Supervisor Jeffe stated that the Town just received word that the Library had received a grant for the repair of the roof. Jeffe suggested this be tabled to the 5/22/12 work session to discuss all the repairs that are needed at the Main Street library.

Councilwoman Friess moved to declare the following computers, computer accessories and office equipment as surplus equipment to be disposed of in an appropriate manner:

- 3 Dell Optiplex 170L computers
- 2 Dell Optiplex 320 computers
- 2 Network Pentium 4 computers
- 1 Network TDNMD4252 computer
- 1 Network 23037 computer
- 1 Network 21146 computer
- 1 Network 25008 computer
- 1 Network 25040 computer
- 1 Network 24211 computer
- 1 KDS computer
- 3 KDS computer monitors
- 1 ADI computer monitor
- 1 Lanier Dictation system
- 1 Monroe 26810 calculator
- 1 Konica DF-216 calculator
- 1 HP Laserjet 4050 printer
- 1 HP Laserjet 1100 Printer
- 1 HP Laserjet 1160 Printer
- 1 Okidata Printer
- Two (2) boxes of miscellaneous computer accessories (mice, cords, keyboards)
- 1 GBC paper shredder

Action #167
Computers,
computer
accessories
and misc
office equip
declared
surplus

Councilman Harris seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken:
ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Councilman Collins moved to declare the following miscellaneous items located at 300 Glead in the warehouse, including furniture, doors and game tables, as surplus materials to be auctioned on-line or otherwise disposed of:

- 22 high patio chairs
- 1 two-drawer file cabinet
- 3 patio umbrellas
- 19 strap-style patio chairs
- 6 office chairs (mauve, non-swivel)
- 5 office chairs (stackable, metal & vinyl)
- 1 four-drawer file cabinet
- 1 patio umbrella stand
- 3 (broken) patio table tops and bases
- 1 set patio table legs
- 1 office chair (mauve, swivel)
- 3 office chairs (stackable, grey/blue cloth)
- 1 loveseat (flowered upholstery)
- 34 small lamp shades
- 14 lamp bases
- 4 large fiberglass planters
- 1 hollow core wood door
- 4 solid wood doors
- 3 doors with frames
- 1 metal door with window
- 1 glass top table

- 12 dining table/bench sets (from Bistro)
- 2 metal planters
- 1 Foosball table
- 1 pool table
- 1 server/electronic component case

Councilman Harris seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken:
ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Action #168
Misc.
furniture,
doors, etc. at
300 Glead
declared
surplus

Councilman Bach moved to approve Payment No. 1 for NewCal Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$17,111.78 for the period through April 12, 2012 for the 300 Glead Avenue Town Hall renovations. Councilman Collins seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken:
ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Action #169
Glead
renovation –
pymt #1 to
NewCal
approved

Councilwoman Friess moved to add item 6K to the agenda – amend date of hire set in Action #148 – 4/23/12 and item 6L – electronic waste drop-off site. Councilman Collins seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Action #170
Agenda
amended –
items 6K &
6L added

Supervisor Jeffe moved to reconsider the starting date for seasonal part time highway and parks employees approved at the last meeting. Councilwoman Friess seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Action #171
Brd to
reconsider
Hwy/Parks
employees
start date

Councilwoman Friess moved to amend Town Board Action #148 of 4/23/12 to change the employment start date for seasonal part time highway and parks employees from June 4, 2012 to May 11, 2012. Councilman Collins seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken:
ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Action #172
Emp. start
date from
action #148-
4/23/12
amended

Councilman Bach moved to authorize the establishment of an electronic waste recycling drop-off at the Highway garage for Town residents for four one-week periods throughout the year, only during the weeks when the Town picks up tires and batteries. The schedule for the remainder of 2012 is the week of May 21, the week of September 24 and the week of November 12. Councilman Harris seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Action #173
Electronic
waste drop-
off site aprvd

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

- Dog Control Officer – April 2012 report
- Building Department – April 2012 report
- Police Department – April 2012 report
- Assessor – April 2012 report
- Senior Center – April 2012 report
- Town Clerk – April 2012 report
- Tax Receiver – April 2012 report
- Supervisor's Report – March/April 2012
- Work Requisitions – April 2012 report

BUSINESS FROM BOARD MEMBERS:

Councilman Bach stated he attended the Gone Wild event at Hawk Creek along with Supervisor Jeffe and Councilwoman Friess. Hawk Creek has chosen a new 13 acre site at 1963 Mill Road.

Supervisor Jeffe: 1) stated she was pleased that Hawk Creek is staying in Aurora; 2) thanked the James Lilley Foundation and Aurora Outfitters for their very generous donations to the baseball/softball diamond project at 300 Gleed; and 3) noted that the Aurora Library was one of three local libraries to receive a library grant.

AUDIENCE II:

Bill Patterson, Grover Road, noted that the soccer concessions need signs. He also commented on the accountability of the students who come to Board meetings as a class requirement, stating if they don't pay attention their attendance paperwork should not be signed by the Board.

STAFF REPORTS:

Bill Adams stated that he and several other Planning Board members attended a training session at Houghton College, noting it was very informative.

The May 1, 2012 "prepaid" Abstract of Claims, consisting of vouchers numbered 694 to 707, was presented to the Board for audit and authorization of payment from the following funds:

General	\$ 2,306.91
Special Districts	<u>52,126.30</u>
Grand Total Abstract	\$54,433.21

The May 14, 2012 Abstract of Claims, consisting of vouchers numbered 708 to 826, was presented to the Board for audit and authorization of payment from the following funds:

General	\$ 35,894.05
Part Town	135.00
Highway	12,686.16
Enterprise/Gleed	11,996.42
Trust & Agency	4,248.77
Trust & Agency 2	150.00
Capital/Gleed Renov.	26,961.78
Special Districts	<u>43,071.25</u>
Grand Total Abstract	\$135,143.43

Councilwoman Friess moved to approve the May 1, 2012 "prepaid" and the May 14, 2012 Abstracts of Claims as presented and to authorize payment of same. Councilman Harris seconded the motion. Discussion: Councilman Harris stated the Town should not be paying for wearing apparel for an elected official and believes that individual should reimburse the Town for the purchase.

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

Action #174
5/1/12 and
5/14/12
Abstracts of
Claims aprvd

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

Action #175
Meeting
adjourned.