

TOWN OF AURORA
TOWN BOARD WORK SESSION
October 25, 2021

The following members of the Aurora Town Board met on Monday, October 25, 2021 at 6:45 p.m. for the purpose of holding a work session. The Board met in-person at the Aurora Municipal Center, 575 Oakwood Avenue, East Aurora, New York. The meeting was also streamed via Zoom and YouTube:

Present:	Jolene M. Jeffe Charles D. Snyder Luke Wochensky	Councilwoman Councilman/Deputy Supervisor Councilman
Absent/Excused:	James J. Bach Susan A. Friess	Supervisor Councilwoman
Others Present:	Joel Kurtzhalts Elizabeth Cassidy	Town Attorney Code Enforcement Officer

Deputy Supervisor Snyder opened the work session at 6:45 p.m. with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and noted the regular meeting would begin immediately after the work session.

1) Lewis Road – Lisa Oun:

Lisa Oun, Lewis Road, spoke to the Board about a sawmill that has been operating on her neighbor's property at least since 2018. Ms. Oun stated that the noise vibration comes into her home and she cannot get away from it – the sound is constant. She stated that her quality of life has diminished because of the noise and vibration. Ms. Oun noted she reached out to Code Enforcement numerous times. She cited parts of agriculture and markets law and noted her interpretation is that wood milling is secondary to sale of crops and raising of livestock.

Ms. Oun stated that the shed built over the saw mill does not have a permit. Councilman Wochensky asked how long it's been there and where is it located? Ms. Oun replied it's been there since at least 2018. Code Enforcement Officer Cassidy stated it is about 70 feet from the property line, but it has been in multiple places on his property and he has 30+ acres.

Ms. Oun noted that the neighbor has been trying to work with her by not running the sawmill when she is home.

Councilwoman Jeffe stated that there needs to be additional conversation and that if this is a business, it will change things.

Attorney Kurtzhalts stated he wants more details and will talk with Code Enforcement Officer Cassidy.

2) WiFi Policy:

Councilwoman Jeffe spoke about the changes made to the Town's Electronic Communications/Computer Use Policy and the addition of criteria for WiFi use.

Councilman Wochensky stated that the Senior Center should be included in the policy and there should be separate employee and guest networks.

Councilman Snyder noted that Mr. Fodero, the Town's IT support person, works with 30+ municipalities and most of them do not have guest WiFi.

Councilman Wochensky asked what the concern was and Councilman Snyder responded, going to inappropriate websites.

Councilwoman Jeffe asked why we need to provide WiFi to people coming into Town Hall.

Councilman Wochensky stated it could be set up for special occasions and require a sign-in. Mr. Wochensky asked how the draw in bandwidth would affect us.

The policy will continue to be worked on.

Martha L. Librock
Town Clerk