

January 27, 2014

A meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Aurora took place on Monday, January 27, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Auditorium, 300 Glead Avenue, East Aurora, New York.

Members Present:	Jeffrey T. Harris	Councilman
	Susan A. Friess	Councilwoman
	Jolene M. Jeffe	Councilwoman
	Charles D. Snyder	Councilman
	James J. Bach	Supervisor
Others Present:	Ronald P. Bennett	Town Attorney
	David Gunner	Highway Superintendent
	Robert Goller	Town Historian
	Peggy Cooke	Recreation Director
	Ronald Krowka	Chief of Police
	William Voss	Planning Board member

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

Councilwoman Jeffe moved to approve the minutes of the December 27, 2013 Town Board meeting; the January 1, 2014 reconvened Town Board meeting; and the January 6, 2014 Town Board meeting; seconded by Councilwoman Friess. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none	Motion carried.	Action #18 12/27/13; 1/1/14; 1/6/14 minutes aprvd
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AUDIENCE I:

Tony Rosati, Center Street, spoke to the Board about agenda item 6J – TE9 (traffic study request) for Beech Road.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Supervisor Bach stated that the agreement with the Erie County Water Authority for bulk water sale has been signed and the two ECWA water meters (one for E. Main, Castlehill, Glenridge, Cook, Lapham, Park Lane So. and the Victoria Heights Subdivision and one for Mary Jane Lane) have been installed. Mr. Bach noted the water rates billed by the Town to these districts will remain the same and will not increase 27% as they would have had the Town continued to purchase water from the Village of East Aurora.

Councilwoman Friess moved to approve the quote from Diebolt Woodworks, Snyder Road, East Aurora, NY, in the amount of \$18,465.71 for the records storage room renovation/remodeling project at the Southside Municipal Center. Councilman Snyder seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none	Motion carried.	Action #19 Diebolt Woodworks aprvd for records storage room
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Councilwoman Jeffe moved to approve the quote from Solly Industries, Elma, NY, in the amount of \$6,821.00 for the HVAC portion of the records storage room renovation/remodeling project. Councilman Harris seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none	Motion carried.	Action #20 Solly Ind. aprvd for records room
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NEW BUSINESS:

Councilwoman Friess moved to table agenda item 6A – Highway lights, until further information can be obtained. Councilwoman Jeffe seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none	Motion carried.	Action #21 Item 6N added to agenda HVAC
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Councilman Snyder moved to approve the hiring of Union Concrete for wood grinding at a rate of \$385.00 per hour (Erie County bid award rate), not to exceed the \$5,000.00 that is budgeted in line SR8189.200. Councilman Harris seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Action #22
 Union
 Concrete hired
 for wood
 grinding

Highway Superintendent Gunner stated that the mulch produced from the grinding would be available to Town residents.

Action #23
 New Rec.
 program –
 Foodscapes –
 aprvd

Councilman Harris moved to approve a new Recreation Department sponsored program called *Foodscapes*, led by local farmer John Diebel. Councilwoman Friess seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Councilwoman Jeffe moved to approve rate increases, effective immediately, for the following recreation department employees due to the increase in the NY State Minimum Wage:

Name	Civil Service Title	Current Rate	Increase	New Rate
Madelyn Atendido	Lifeguard PT	\$7.65	\$0.75	\$8.40
Gwen Cedfeldt	Lifeguard PT	\$7.75	\$0.75	\$8.50
Meg DeMario	Lifeguard PT	\$7.85/8.80	\$0.75/0.55	\$8.60/9.35
Grace DeSantis	Lifeguard PT	\$7.70	\$0.75	\$8.45
Holly Jackson	Lifeguard PT	\$7.70	\$0.75	\$8.45
Isobel Johnston	Lifeguard PT	\$7.75	\$0.75	\$8.50
Matt McLaughlin	Lifeguard PT	\$7.60	\$0.70	\$8.35
Erin O'Connell	Lifeguard PT	\$7.75/8.70	\$0.75/0.55	\$8.50/9.25
Margaret Zagrobelny	Lifeguard PT	\$7.65	\$0.75	\$8.40
Thomas DiFilippo	Rec. Attendant PT	\$7.70	\$0.75	\$8.45
Amanda Falkowski	Rec. Attendant PT	\$7.80	\$0.75	\$8.50
Francis Nigro	Rec. Attendant PT	\$7.30	\$0.75	\$8.05
Christian Radziwon	Rec. Attendant PT	\$7.70	\$0.75	\$8.45

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

Action #24
 Rec employee
 pay raises due
 to min wage
 increase aprvd

Councilwoman Friess moved to approve the donation of family pool memberships certificates for Community Pool to the following not-for-profit organizations:

- Moose Lodge #370 1 certificate
- Kiwanis Club of EA 1 certificate
- Boys & Girls Club of EA 1 certificate
- EA Elementary PTO 1 certificate
- Explore & More Museum 1 certificate
- D.A.R.E. 1 certificate
- Immaculate Conception School 1 certificate
- EA Fire Dept. Ladies Auxiliary 1 certificate
- Father/Daughter Dance (rec. dept.) 1 certificate
- EA Wesleyan Church 10 day passes

Action #25
 Donation of
 pool
 membership
 certificates
 aprvd.

All the above listed certificates are to be issued by the Supervisor's office. Councilwoman Jeffe seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Councilman Snyder moved to authorize the Supervisor to sign the NYS Health Department “Application of Approval of Plans for Public Water Supply Improvements” for the temporary waterline that will be installed when the Erie County Culvert Replacement project on Emery Road takes place. Councilwoman Friess seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Action #26
Supv auth to sign application to NYSDOH for waterline work on Emery Rd.

Councilwoman Jeffe moved to approve the request from Kathleen Moffat, Secretary to the Supervisor, to attend a Basic Accounting School (Intro to Governmental Accounting) sponsored by the State Comptroller’s office. The session is being held in Rochester (Town of Ogden), NY on June 3 – 5, 2014. The \$85.00 cost is covered by a credit the Town has on file from an October 2013 unattended seminar. Mileage will be reimbursed from A1220.404 Supervisor – Expense & Travel. Councilwoman Friess seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Action #27
K. Moffat to attend accounting school

Supervisor Bach stated that the Town is still in negotiations with the Village regarding the ownership of the Brooklea Bridge. Mr. Bach will be meeting with Village officials in the near future to continue discussions.

Councilman Snyder moved to authorize the Supervisor to sign the 2014 Boys & Girls Club of East Aurora agreement, whereby the Town will pay the Boys & Girls Club \$35,000.00 in four (4) installments in return for the Boys & Girls Club providing services and programs to the youth of the Town of Aurora. Councilman Harris seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Action #28
Supv. auth to sign EA B&G Club agreement

The East Aurora Police Department has expressed concern about the speed limit(s) on Beech Road. Police Chief Krowka stated it is hard for the police officers to enforce and they are requesting uniformity of the speed limits on Beech Road. The Village side of the road is posted with the Village speed limit of 30 mph, while the Town side is not posted and is at the State speed limit of 55 mph. Highway Superintendent Gunner sent a memo to the Board requesting that they authorize a speed limit/traffic study for Beech Road.

Action #29
TE-9 speed study authorized for Beech Road

Councilwoman Jeffe moved to authorize a TE-9 Traffic Study for Beech Road between Mill Road and Center Street. Councilman Harris seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes- none Motion carried.

Councilman Snyder moved to accept the resignation of Alvin (Al) Fontanese from the Town’s Planning and Conservation Board, noting that Mr. Fontanese had served as a Planning Board member for twenty-eight years. Councilman Harris seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Action #30
Al Fontanese resignation accepted

The Supervisor and Council thanked Mr. Fontanese for his years of volunteering as a Planning Board member.

Action #31
Phone maintenance agreement tabled

Councilwoman Friess moved to table agenda item 6L – Phone maintenance agreement – until additional information can be obtained. Councilwoman Jeffe seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Councilwoman Friess moved to approve the request from Explore and More Children's Museum to use the Southside Municipal Center parking lots, grass area at rear of building (not baseball diamond area) and gymnasium for their 5th Annual Touch-A-Truck event on Sunday, May 18, 2014. Councilman Snyder seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Action #32
Explore &
More to hold
Touch-A-Truck
event at SSMC

In December 2013 one of the Town plow trucks struck a manhole on South Street and damaged the plow. An insurance claim was submitted. The Highway Superintendent solicited quotes for a new plow.

Councilman Harris moved to approve the purchase of a snowplow (Everest One-Plow; model #OWSK9-CT) from Valley Fab and Equipment, Inc., Trevett Road, Boston, NY, in the amount of \$7,494.32. Funds will be disbursed equally from DB5142.449 and DB5148.449. Councilwoman Friess seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Action #33
Purchase of
snowplow from
Valley Fab
Equip approved

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

- Historian – 2013 Annual Report
- Tax Receiver – December 2013 Report
- Tax Receiver – 2013 Annual Report
- Town Clerk – December 2013 Report
- Town Clerk – 2013 Annual Report
- Building Department – December 2013 Report
- Building Department – 2013 Annual Report
- Senior Center – December 2013 Report
- Recreation – December 2013 Report
- Dog Control – December 2013 Report
- Work Requisitions – December 2013 Report
- CDBG letter re: grant funding denial
- Supervisor Report – 2013

BUSINESS FROM BOARD MEMBERS AND LIAISONS:

Councilwoman Jeffe stated that we are still on the CDBG funding list or “short list” in case another community can't or doesn't use their funds. Mrs. Jeffe noted the portable generator would not be part of the grant as they can only fund permanently installed generators.

Councilman Snyder stated that Dick Glover would be overseeing the records room project.

Councilwoman Friess stated she and Peggy Cooke met with the baseball commission regarding making the baseball program an entity separate from Town programming.

Councilman Harris noted that the highway employees did a very good job plowing during the recent heavy snows.

Supervisor Bach and Councilwoman Jeffe are meeting with the CSEA representatives regarding a new contract.

Supervisor Bach congratulated Town Clerk Martha Librock on being elected as president of the Erie County Town Clerks and Tax Collectors Association.

AUDIENCE II: none

STAFF REPORTS:

David Gunner thanked the Town Board members for providing lunch for the highway guys after the 2014 Blizzard.

Police Chief Ron Krowka stated that the travel ban set during the blizzard worked well and the Town and Village were able to plow streets and roads without vehicles being in the way. Mr. Krowka noted that NG911 will be up and running on 1/29/14. This will allow 911 calls to be tracked to cell phones and their locations.

The 2013 Encumbered Abstract of Claims dated January 13, 2014, consisting of vouchers numbered 2333 to 2369, was presented to the Board for audit and authorization of payment from the following funds:

General	\$ 5,320.69
Part Town	180.00
Highway	22,296.30
Enterprise	4,542.75
Capital (Mill Road)	2,238.00
Special Districts	<u>9,314.37</u>
Grand Total Abstract	\$ 43,892.11

The Abstract of Claims dated January 13, 2014, consisting of vouchers numbered 20 to 48, was presented to the Board for audit and authorization of payment from the following funds:

General	\$21,450.93
Highway	21,736.10
Special Districts	<u>259,771.87</u>
Grand Total Abstract	\$302,958.90

The 2013 Encumbered Abstract of Claims dated January 27, 2014, consisting of vouchers numbered 2370 to 2397, was presented to the Board for audit and authorization of payment from the following funds:

General	\$21,851.57
Part Town	368.21
Highway	1,495.59
Enterprise/Gleed	<u>10,216.53</u>
Grand Total Abstract	\$34,381.90

The Abstract of Claims dated January 27, 2014, consisting of vouchers numbered 49 to 105, was presented to the Board for audit and authorization of payment from the following funds:

General	\$ 68,609.53
Part Town	1,497.688.00
Highway	41,347.29
Enterprise/Gleed	10,437.99
Trust & Agency	1,248.47
Special Districts	<u>21,714.15</u>
Grand Total Abstract	\$1,641,025.43

Councilman Harris moved to approve the 2013 Encumbered Abstract of Claims and the 2014 Abstract of Claims, both dated 1/13/2014, and authorize payment of same. Councilwoman Jeffe seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Action #34
1/13/2014
Abstracts of
Claims aprvd.

Councilman Harris moved to approve the 2013 Encumbered Abstract of Claims and the 2014 Abstract of Claims, both dated 1/27/2014, and authorize payment of same. Councilwoman Jeffe seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Action #35
1/27/14
Abstracts of
Claims aprvd.

Councilwoman Friess moved to adjourn at 7:55 p.m.; seconded by Councilwoman Jeffe. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Action #36
Meeting
adjourned.

Martha L. Librock
Town Clerk