

TOWN OF AURORA
TOWN BOARD WORK SESSION
June 27, 2022

The following members of the Aurora Town Board met on Monday, June 27, 2022, at 6:30 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 streamed via Zoom and YouTube.

Present:	Charles D. Snyder	Councilman
	Luke Wochensky	Councilman
	James F. Granville	Councilman
	Joseph McCann	Councilman
	James J. Bach	Supervisor
Others Present:	Brigid Maloney	Town Attorney
	David Gunner	Highway Superintendent
	Shane Krieger	Chief of Police
	Adam Zaremski	Library Board member
	Elizabeth Wilber	Live Stream Coordinator

Supervisor Bach opened the work session at 6:30 p.m. with a moment of silence for all those affected by violence, followed by the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

1) Electric Car Charging Stations – Greenspot:

Joe DeSimone, COO of Greenspot, joined the work session via Zoom. Mr. DeSimone spoke about his company’s proposal to replace the existing car charging unit at the Aurora Senior Center at no cost to the Town since the infrastructure is already in place. Town Attorney Maloney stated that Greenspot made concessions to some of the legal terms of the agreement. The proposed agreement is for five years.

Councilman McCann asked what the cost of charging is. Mr. DeSimone responded that it is based on market research and the cost of electricity, operation fees, credit card transaction costs and profit spread and is usually between \$2 and \$2.50 per hour usage.

Councilman Snyder asked if they would be using the existing power line. Mr. DeSimone responded they would use existing conduits, etc., and noted that Greenspot manages all of the changes/upgrades to the unit.

2) Special Use Permit amendment – 612 Buffalo Road (aka: 7901 Seneca Street):

John, the manager at Angelina’s restaurant, spoke to the Board on behalf of owner Ben Bell. This was tabled from the June 13, 2022 meeting. Councilman Snyder made a site visit to the property and stated that on a recent Saturday night the noise was minimal. John responded that they are usually done by around 10:00 p.m. Mr. Snyder also said he visited the neighboring house but was unable to contact anyone there. Supervisor Bach stated he is okay with adding Thursday evening/night outdoor live music to the original permit and if there are any problems in the future they will be addressed. Councilman Granville noted that the permit can be revoked if there are issues.

3) ARPA fund use:

Town bookkeeper Kathleen Moffat is requesting that the Town Board designate the use of ARPA funds to pay for the proposed new boiler/heater and man-door at Community Pool. Contracts for both were approved at the June 13, 2022 meeting. In addition, Mrs. Moffat is requesting that the Board approve the addition of the source of funding as ARPA funds for the architecture proposal from Fontanese Folts Aubrecht Ernst in the amount of \$13,560.00 for design services for the Aurora Community Pool project. (See Action #406 of 2021.)

4) Code Red – Intermunicipal Agreement with Village of East Aurora:

Town Attorney Malone prepared an Intermunicipal Agreement between the Village of East Aurora and Town of Aurora addressing the participation of the Village in the Town’s Code Red program. Councilman Wochensky stated that the agreement with OnSolve/CodeRed would be for one year. Supervisor Bach stated we need a use policy.

5) Comprehensive Plan update discussion:

Andrew (Drew) Reilly from Wendel Engineering spoke to the Board about updating the Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Reilly was involved in the original planning in 2003/2004 of the Regional Comprehensive Plan and stated that the plan is outdated. Mr. Reilly noted that about 50% of municipalities adopt a comprehensive plan. He stated there are some basic components to updating the plan:

- Don't collect data you don't need.
- Define and state what the community character is.
- It is a simple road map.
- Zoning is the framework of a comprehensive plan.

Mr. Reilly stated that his company would prepare a grant application for funding toward the Comprehensive Plan update. The fee is \$1,000 and the grant due date is July 29, 2022. If the Town receives the grant funding an RFQ would be required to hire a firm to assist the Town with the Comprehensive Plan.

Martha Librock
Town Clerk