

October 11, 2022

A meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Aurora took place on Tuesday, October 11, 2022, beginning at 7:09 p.m. immediately after the 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:	Luke Wochensky James F. Granville Joseph McCann James J. Bach	Councilman Councilman Councilman Supervisor
Absent/Excused:	Charles D. Snyder	Councilman
Others Present:	Brigid Maloney Elizabeth Cassidy Elizabeth Wilber	Town Attorney Code Enforcement Officer Live Stream Coordinator

Supervisor Bach opened the meeting at 7:09 p.m., immediately after the work session.

At 7:10 p.m., Supervisor Bach opened the Public Hearing on the use of Federal Community Development funds in the Town of Aurora. The notice was published in the East Aurora Advertiser and posted on the Town Clerk's bulletin board as evidenced by the Affidavits of Publication and Posting. The Supervisor asked if anyone wished to comment.

Hearing no one, Supervisor Bach closed the hearing at 7:11 p.m.

Councilman McCann moved to approve the minutes of the September 26, 2022 work session and meeting; seconded by Councilman Granville. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.	Action #373 9/26/2022 min aprvd
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AUDIENCE I: none

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Councilman Wochensky moved to set Monday, October 24, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Aurora Municipal Center, 575 Oakwood Avenue, East Aurora, NY, as the date, time and place for a public hearing on the Open Development Application for 757 Center Street/Lawrence Roland. Councilman Granville seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes - none Motion carried.	Action #374 PH set for 757 Center ODA
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Councilman Granville moved to waive the Temporary Use Permit \$200 per day event fee for the Knights of Columbus soccer contest at Knox Farm State Park on October 16, 2022, since the event will only take place on one soccer field and will only last for 2 – 3 hours. Councilman McCann seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.	Action #375 TUP day fee waived for KoC soccer contest @ KFSP
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Councilman McCann moved to approve the change of event date of the Temporary Use Permit granted to John Roden for a Cyclocross bicycle race at JP Nicely West Falls Park from October 16, 2022 to December 3, 2022. Councilman Granville seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.	Action #376 Cyclocross date changed to 12/3/2022 at WF Park
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Councilman McCann moved to accept the bid from Allgaier Construction Corporation in the amount of \$88,000.00 for the Aurora Senior Center door replacement project. Councilman Wochensky seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.	Action #377 Bid for SrCtr doors accepted – Allgaier Construction
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NEW BUSINESS:

Councilman Wochensky moved to amend the agenda by adding item 5H – FFAE proposal for architectural services/construction phase for Community Pool restroom project. Councilman McCann seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none
Motion carried.

Action #378
Item 5H –
added to
agenda

Councilman Wochensky moved to adopt the following resolution; seconded by Councilman McCann:

APPOINTMENT OF A CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES
TASK FORCE AND COORDINATOR

WHEREAS, the Town of Aurora Town Board adopted the Climate Smart Communities Pledge on September 26, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Aurora recognizes the need to create a team of local officials, professionals and stakeholders that can promote and support the plans, policies and programs that are part of a Climate Smart Community and are necessary in achieving the Climate Smart Community certification; and

WHEREAS, the team will be known as the Climates Smart Communities (CSC) Task Force and will serve as an advisory committee that advises and collaborates with local government to accomplish the activities that are part of the CSC Certification program.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is

RESOLVED AND DETERMINED, that the Town of Aurora Town Board hereby establishes a Climate Smart Communities Task Force that shall consist of seven members, and further

RESOLVED AND DETERMINED, that the Town of Aurora Town Board hereby appoints Councilman Luke Wochensky as the Climate Smart Communities Coordinator, who will lead the task force and help facilitate communication between the task force and Town stakeholders, and further

RESOLVED AND DETERMINED, the Task Force shall consist of the following people:

- Nicole Morris-McLaughlin, Senior Energy Development Specialist,
County of Erie / Town of Aurora Resident
- Ryan McPherson, Chief Sustainability Officer, University at Buffalo /
Town of Aurora Resident
- Jeanne Beiter, Senior Program Manager, Buffalo Niagara Waterkeeper
/ Town of Aurora Resident
- Susan Russell, ACES Representative / Town of Aurora Resident
- Claudia Newton, ACES Representative / Town of Aurora Resident
- 2 student representatives from the East Aurora High School
- Elizabeth Cassidy in an advisory role as Town Code Enforcement Officer.

Action #379
CSC task
force
established

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

Councilman McCann moved to approve the following changes to the 2023 Tentative Budget and approve the amended Tentative Budget which becomes the Preliminary Budget:

REVENUES

- Increased A 2401 Interest & Earnings from \$60,000 to \$100,000
- Increased B 2401 Interest & Earnings from \$50,000 to \$90,000
 - Reason for change - Locked in a 3.9% CD rate, budgeted for 2%

APPROPRIATIONS

- Increased A 1620.414 Light, Heat, Power, Water from \$75,000 to \$95,000
 - Reason for change - Anticipated cost increases

- Increased A 3620.103 Assistant Code Enforcement Officer from \$45,448 to \$55,448
 - Reason for change - Allows for overlap between PT Asst CEO and new hire
- Increased A 1680.401 Contractual & Office Supplies from \$70,000 to \$75,000
 - Reason for change – WNY NetWorks rate increasing to \$125/hour
- Increased A 9030.8 Social Security from \$120,000 to \$125,000
 - Reason for change - Cover increases in Asst. CEO as well as ARPA bonuses
- Decreased B Fund Appropriated Fund Balance from \$125,000 to \$85,000
- Decreased SF 3411.401 Village of East Aurora from \$380,312 to \$380,256
 - Reason for change - Corrected invoice received
- Decreased B 3020.401 Central Fire Alarm Contract from \$61,240 to \$60,410
 - Reason for change - Corrected invoice received

Action #380
2023
Tentative
budget
changes
aprvd and
tentative
budget
aprvd

MISCELLANEOUS

- Added Delinquent Water to Levy for ECWA and Orchard Park
 - Reason for change - Approved at the 9/26/22 town board meeting
- Added expenditure line A 9090.8 Bonus – ARPA and budgeted \$37,500
- Added Appropriated Fund Balance ARPA Funds \$37,500 in A Fund

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

Councilman Wochensky moved to set Monday, October 24, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Aurora Municipal Center, 575 Oakwood Avenue, East Aurora, NY, as the date, time and place for a public hearing on the 2023 Town of Aurora Preliminary Operating Budget. Councilman McCann seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none
Motion carried.

Action #381
2023
Preliminary
Budget
public
hearing set

Councilman McCann moved to approve the use of Debt Reserve funds to make a \$2,295.00 interest payment to Greene County Commercial Bank for the Glead Avenue Parking lot bond due October 15, 2022. Councilman Granville seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes - four
noes – none Motion carried.

Action #382
Use of debt
reserve
funds aprvd
to pay bond

Councilman McCann moved to establish Capital Project H10 – Community Pool and Park Improvements – ARPA, with the source of funding to be ARPA funds and to approve the transfer of \$400,000.00 from ARPA funds in the A fund to Capital Project fund H10. Councilman Granville seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes - four noes – none
Motion carried.

Action #383
Capital proj
H10
established
for pool
project &
budget trans
aprvd

Councilman Granville moved to accept the resignation of K. Grace Viger from the position of Alternate Member to the Planning Board. Councilman McCann seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken:
ayes – four noes -none Motion carried.

Action #384
K.G.Viger
resignation
from Plng
Brd Alt
accepted

Councilman Granville moved to authorize the Supervisor to sign, submit and execute contracts with the Erie County Community Development Block Grant (ECCDBG) program for the following projects upon approval of the ECCDBG:

- 1) Continuation of the Rural Transit Services, Inc. program

Councilman McCann seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken:
ayes – four noes -none Motion carried.

Councilman McCann moved to accept the proposal from Fontanese Folts Aubrecht Ernst Architects, 6395 Quaker Road, Orchard Park, NY, for construction administration services for the Aurora Community Pool restroom project at a cost not to exceed \$8,500.00, and to authorize the Supervisor to sign the proposal document. Councilman Wochensky seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

Action #385
Construction
admin
proposal
from FFAE
accepted

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

- Work Requisitions - August & September 2022 reports
- Building Department – September 2022 report
- Dog Control – August & September 2022 reports
- EAPD - September 2022 report
- Supervisor – September 2022 report

BUSINESS FROM BOARD MEMBERS/LIAISONS:

Councilman Wochensky stated that the NY Forward grant took time and now work will begin with the Task Force. Mr. Wochensky stated he is still working with the Village on the Code Red system and the Town needs a social media policy.

Councilman McCann noted that the Erie County Sewer District board met last week and that work in being done to line Village sewer lines and the rehab of the control building is going well. Also, the Open Space Committee met last week. The committee wants to plan a trail for Major's Park.

Councilman Granville stated he visited the local libraries.

Supervisor Bach stated Assessor Roger Pigeon will be retiring in 2023 and we will be interviewing for the position in the next few weeks.

AUDIENCE II: none

STAFF REPORTS: none

ABSTRACT OF CLAIMS:

The October 11, 2022 Abstract of Claims, consisting of vouchers numbered 1180 to 1263; and prepaid voucher numbered 1264 was presented to the Board for audit and authorization of payment from the following funds:

General	\$ 39,223.44
Highway DB	15,022.27
Special Districts	<u>67,101.19</u>
Grand Total Abstract	\$121,346.90

Councilman Granville moved to approve the 10/11/2022 Abstract of Claims and authorize payment of same. Councilman McCann seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

Action #386
10/11/22
Abstract of
Claims aprvd

Councilman McCann moved to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. Seconded by Councilman Granville. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

Action #387
Meeting
adjourned.