

November 24, 2014

A meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Aurora took place on Monday, November 24, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Auditorium, 300 Gleed Avenue, East Aurora, New York.

Members Present:	Susan A. Friess	Councilwoman
	Charles D. Snyder	Councilman
	Jeffrey T. Harris	Councilman
	James J. Bach	Supervisor
	Jolene M. Jeffe	Councilwoman
Others Present:	Ronald Bennett	Town Attorney
	David Gunner	Highway Superintendent
	William Wheeler	CRA – Engineer
	Chris Musshafen	Recreation/Aquatics Director

Supervisor Bach opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Mr. Bach stated that due to the recent snow storm the November 18, 2014 work session was cancelled, therefore the work session agenda will be used for tonight's meeting.

1. November Snow Storm:

Supervisor Bach spoke about the snowstorm that began on Tuesday, November 18<sup>th</sup> and continued through Friday, November 21<sup>st</sup>, blanketing the Town and Village with more than six feet of snow. A State of Emergency was declared at 8:30 a.m. on November 18<sup>th</sup>, followed by driving ban on all roads in the Town. The driving ban was lifted at 7:00 a.m., Saturday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> and the State of Emergency was lifted at 7:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 25<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Bach thanked everyone for their hard work and patience during this storm.

2. Storm Clean-up:

Highway Superintendent Gunner provided an estimate of the costs (not including overtime) incurred by the highway department during the recent snowstorm. The \$53,491.50 estimate is for dump truck, bulldozer and high lift rental to remove snow. Mr. Gunner stated they ran out of diesel fuel, noting that a larger diesel tank is needed – the current tank has a 2000-gallon capacity. He thanked Pasquale's restaurant for providing food for the highway workers during the storm and Senator Gallivan for providing lunch on Tuesday.

3. Request to attend Assoc. of Towns meeting in NYC:

Highway Superintendent Gunner is requesting to attend the 2015 Association of Towns Training School and Annual Meeting, February 15 – 18 in New York City. The \$918 cost plus per diem rate for meals would be paid from 2015 budget line A5010.404 that has a starting balance of \$2350.

4. Request to purchase vehicle for Highway Supt.:

Highway Superintendent Gunner is requesting to purchase a 2015 Ford Explorer to replace his current pickup truck, noting that the current pickup truck would be moved down the line and the water department truck would be declared surplus. Mr. Gunner stated this vehicle fits all his needs and can be used to pick up dogs, transport people and it drives well. He stated that most highway superintendents have SUV's instead of pickup trucks. A straw poll of the Board indicated that they favored a pickup truck for the highway superintendent rather than an SUV.

5. Windham Professionals request to lease more office space:

Windham Professionals is requesting to lease 1,643 additional square feet of office space at the Southside Municipal Center (300 Gleed Ave.). The area is on the second floor at the northwest corner of the building. This will be referred to the building department for review.

6. Request to purchase outdoor apparel:

Patrick Blizniak is requesting to purchase a winter jacket, overalls, gloves, boots, etc. for Dan Hochadel to use while working outdoors at the Southside Municipal Center and other town locations. The cost would be approximately \$300.

7. SSMC HVAC repair:

During a recent scheduled maintenance inspection, Allied Mechanical came across several hvac rooftop units at the Southside Municipal Center that need to be repaired. The list will be reviewed to see which repairs are urgently needed and which can wait until next year.

8. Senior Center HVAC:

During the recent snowstorm one of the hvac units at the Senior Center malfunctioned, releasing natural gas into the building. The unit was turned off. Upon inspection by Tri R Mechanical, many issues were discovered with the unit, including a cracked heat exchanger. Quotes for repair and/or replacement of the unit will be obtained.

9. Southside Municipal Center roof:

Councilman Snyder spoke to the Board about leaks that were discovered in the roof of the Southside Municipal Center over the Historian's office. Approximately five leaks were found in the roof. Sanders Roofing came and performed a temporary patch until the weather allows a permanent fix.

10. Generator – Southside Municipal Center:

The request from BillIt and Warning Electric to install a backup generator for BillIt's use at the Southside Municipal Center is tabled until the December work session.

The November 24, 2014 Abstract of Claims, consisting of vouchers numbered 1939 to 1996, was presented to the Board for audit and authorization of payment from the following fund

General	\$210,362.60
Part Town	256.75
Highway	105,351.37
Gleed/Enterprise	18,627.84
Trust & Agency	1,142.88
Special Districts	<u>96,559.91</u>
Grand Total Abstract	\$432,301.35

Councilman Harris moved to approve the November 24, 2014 Abstract of Claims and to authorize payment of same. Councilwoman Jeffe seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

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Councilwoman Friess moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Councilman Harris. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

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adjourned.

Martha L. Librock  
Town Clerk