

October 22, 2018

A meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Aurora took place on Monday, October 22, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Auditorium, 300 Glead Avenue, East Aurora, New York.

Members Present:	Jolene M. Jeffe	Councilwoman
	Susan A. Friess	Councilwoman
	Charles D. Snyder	Councilman
	James J. Bach	Supervisor
Absent/Excused:	Jeffrey T. Harris	Councilman
Others Present:	Ronald P. Bennett	Town Attorney
	William Kramer	Code Enforcement Officer
	William Wheeler	Engineer/GHD
	Tony Rosati	ZBA member

Supervisor Bach opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Mr. Bach stated that Bill Adams, a member of the Town Planning Board for over 30 years, passed away recently. A moment of silence was held in Mr. Adams memory.

Supervisor Bach introduced Paula Klocek. Paula is the new Library Director at the Aurora Town Public Library. She took over the position from Rob Alessi who was transferred to the West Seneca Library.

The next item on the agenda was a PUBLIC HEARING on the 2019 Preliminary Budget. The notice was published in the East Aurora Advertiser and posted on the Town bulletin board as evidenced by the affidavits of publication and posting. Mr. Bach stated that the Town is now slightly under the tax cap, but there is a budget meeting scheduled for Wednesday, October 24th for further review. Supervisor Bach opened the hearing at 7:08 p.m. and asked if anyone wished to comment on the budget. Hearing no one, the Supervisor closed the hearing at 7:09 p.m.

Councilwoman Jeffe moved to approve the minutes of the October 9, 2018 Town Board meeting. Councilwoman Friess seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.	Action #302 10/9/18 minutes aprvd
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AUDIENCE I:

Liz O'Donnell, East Aurora Driving Society, and Peter Tarnawskij, Western Chapter of the NYS Horse Council, presented a check to the Town for \$1867.75 to be used toward upkeep of the Chur Equestrian area at Knox Farm State Park.

Councilwoman Friess moved to accept the \$1867.75 donation from the Western Chapter of the NYS Horse Council for the upkeep of the Chur Equestrian area at Knox Farm State Park. Councilman Snyder seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.	Action #303 Donation from Western Chapt of NYS Horse Council accepted
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UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Councilman Snyder moved to add item 5C – Senior Center window project change order to the agenda. Councilwoman Friess seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.	Action #304 Item 5C – Sr Ctr window proj change order added to agenda
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In 2017, James (Jimmy) Hasselbeck presented his proposed Eagle Scout project to the Town Board. Jimmy's plan is to build an open-sided shelter at Knox Farm State Park. The plan was referred to NYS Parks and was recently approved. The State Parks issued a permit to Jimmy for the shelter. The permit is good for 180-days.

Councilwoman Jeffe moved to approve the Eagle Scout project for James Hasselbeck to build an open-sided shelter at the east side of the soccer fields, between the existing shed and tree near the parking lot, at Knox Farm State Park in accordance with the plans submitted and contingent upon receipt of proof of liability insurance from the Boy Scout Council. Councilman Snyder seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

Action #305
Knox Park
Eagle Scout
shelter project
aprvd.

Councilwoman Friess 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:

Action #306
Supv. auth to
sign submit
CDBG grant
docs

- 1) Aurora Senior Center Building Improvements
- 2) Continuation of the Rural Transit Service, Inc. program

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

Supervisor Bach stated the Town would pursue a Community Development Block Grant for funding to replace the aging rooftop HVAC/furnace units at the Aurora Senior Center.

Councilman Snyder moved to approve Change Order No. 1 for the Senior Center Window/Door project contract as follows:

Action #307
Sr. Ctr.
window proj
change order
no. 1 aprvd

o Original Contract	\$83,400.00
o Delete door hardware replacement work	- 36,602.00
o Delete door and frame painting	<u>- 4,368.00</u>
o New Contract sum	\$42,430.00

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

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilwoman Friess moved to refer the Open Development Area (ODA) application and ODA variance application for 643 Knox Road to the Planning Board for review and recommendation. Councilwoman Jeffe seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

Action #308
643 Knox Rd
ODA referred
to planning
brd

Councilwoman Friess moved to approve the following Recreation budget transfers:

From: A7142-400.1	Summer Playground vendors	\$972.00
A7142-400.2	Summer Playground supplies	\$215.00
A7141.400	Tot Programs	\$ 92.00
To: A7142.100	Summer Playground payroll	\$1,279.00

Action #309
Recreation
budget
transfers aprvd

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

Councilwoman Jeffe moved to accept the following donations for the Senior Center:

- \$830 from an anonymous donor for a laptop computer
- \$100 from the EA Garden Club towards chairs/tables

Both donations to be deposited to TA 1000.0090 Senior Center donations. Councilwoman Friess seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

Action #310
Monetary
donations for
Senior Ctr
accepted

The Town is bonding \$181,000 for the purchase of mowers, a tractor and a leaf vacuum. The Board previously approved the purchase of the leaf vacuum and was waiting before deciding if they would purchase the remaining equipment. Highway Superintendent Gunner told the Board that due to pending tariffs, the prices of the remaining equipment would be facing increases of approximately 10%.

Councilman Snyder moved to approve the purchase of a new 11' Toro Groundsmaster 4000-D hi-capacity field mower from the NYSOG bid list (Group 40625 Heavy Equipment, Award PGB-22792, Contract PC66756), through Grasslands Equipment & Irrigation Corp., Liverpool, NY, in the amount of \$62,403.90, to be paid from the Municipal Equipment Bond. Councilwoman Jeffe seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

Action #311
Purchase of
Toro field
mower aprvd

Councilwoman Friess moved to approve the purchase of the following equipment from the Sourcewell-NJPA contract through Alexander Equipment, Alexander, NY:

Kubota L606HSTC Tractor	\$36,775.69
Land Pride LP2020 Mower	\$15,651.50

to be paid for from the Municipal Equipment Bond. Councilman Snyder seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

Action #312
Purchase of
Kubota tractor
and Landpride
mower aprvd

Councilman Snyder moved to approve the payment of \$494.00, invoice #86990813-001, to SiteOne Landscape Supply, LLC, for additional supplies to inoculate ash trees in the Village of East Aurora. (The Village will reimburse this amount to the Town.) Councilwoman Friess seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes - none Motion carried.

Action #313
Payment of
SiteOne inv.
for VEA ash
tree
inoculation
aprvd

Councilwoman Jeffe moved to authorize the Supervisor to sign the 2018-2019 Annual Software Support Contract with Williamson Law Book Company, 790 Canning Parkway, Victor, NY 14564, for the Highway Superintendent Software. The \$738.00 cost will be disbursed from A1680.401. Councilwoman Friess seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

Action #314
Hwy software
support
contract aprvd

Councilwoman Friess moved to accept a \$626.08 donation from the Girl Scouts of Western New York, in honor of Pat Whittington, to be used to reimburse the purchase of one bench from Jamestown Advanced Products. The bench is one of two that was purchased for use at Community Pool. Councilman Snyder seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

Action #315
Donation from
Girl Scouts for
pool bench
aprvd

Councilman Snyder moved to approve the request from Town Assessor Roger Pigeon for himself and Assessment Clerk Jamie Swanson to attend the IAO/NYS Assessors' Association Property Tax Exemption seminar in Batavia, NY on November 16, 2018. The \$260 registration fee will be disbursed from A1355.404. Councilwoman Friess seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

Action #316
Assessor and
assessment
clerk to attend
seminar

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

- EAPD – September 2018 report
- Work Requisitions – September 2018 reports
- Senior Center – September 2018 report
- Supervisor – September 2018 report

BUSINESS FROM BOARD MEMBERS AND LIAISONS:

Councilwoman Jeffe attended the 10/18/18 Zoning Board of Appeals meeting.
Supervisor Bach thanked Councilman Snyder for filling in for him this past week.

AUDIENCE II:

Tony Rosati, Oakwood Ave., asked if the Town had received any reports on Erie County Agricultural District changes. The response was, no. Mr. Rosati commented on the NYSDEC registration process for compositing sites, noting that the Town was not included in the loop for the EcoVerde project on Blakeley Road.

STAFF REPORTS:

Bill Kramer stated that the Building Department software is scheduled to be installed next week.

ABSTRACT OF CLAIMS:

The Abstract of Claims dated October 22, 2018, consisting of vouchers numbered 1558 to 1633, was presented to the Board for audit and authorization of payment from the following funds:

General	\$ 34,382.93
Part Town	19.25
Highway	24,593.82
Capital/MWIA	1,724.35
Capital/Sr. Center	3,320.00
Capital/Town Hall	28,800.00
Trust & Agency 2	38,294.89
Special Districts	<u>1,262.78</u>
Grand Total Abstract	\$ 132,398.02

Councilwoman Jeffe moved to approve the 10/22/2018 Abstract of Claims, and authorize payment of same. Councilwoman Friess seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none
Motion carried.

Action #317
10/22/18
Abstract aprvd

Councilwoman Jeffe moved to adjourn at 7:35 p.m.; seconded by Councilman Snyder. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none
Motion carried.

Action #318
Meeting
adjourned

Martha L. Librock
Town Clerk