

July 11, 2022

A meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Aurora took place on Monday, July 11, 2022, beginning at 7:50 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:	Charles D. Snyder	Councilman
	Luke Wochensky	Councilman
	James F. Granville	Councilman
	Joseph McCann	Councilman
	James J. Bach	Supervisor
Others Present:	Elizabeth Cassidy	Code Enforcement Officer
	David Gunner	Highway Superintendent
	Elizabeth Deveso	Highway Clerk
	Chris Musshafen	Aquatics/Recreation Director
	Shane Krieger	Chief of Police
	Adam Zaremski	Library Board member
	Rod Simeone	ZBA member
	Elizabeth Wilber	Live Stream Coordinator

Supervisor Bach opened the meeting at 7:50 p.m., immediately following the work session.

Councilman Snyder moved to approve the minutes of the June 27, 2022 work session and meeting; seconded by Councilman Granville. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none	Motion carried.	Action #257 6/27/2022 min aprvd
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AUDIENCE I:

Paulette Brylinski, Center Street/Creekside Townhouses, spoke to the Board about the proposed kayak/canoe launch. Mrs. Brylinski stated the following concerns:

- Traffic
- Maintenance, including trash removal
- Security
- Rules of enforcement
- Hours of use
- Neighbor privacy
- Impact on wildlife
- Need – how many people really use it

Gary Whitt, Center Street/Creekside Townhouses, stated he looks at the creek every day and noted this past weekend there were three boats in this one mile stretch of water and that they put in at the Legion. Mr. Whitt stated it takes about 15 minutes to go upstream and 15 minutes to come back. He noted that the Legion dam area is a perfect area to put in boats. Mr. Whitt also commented on the proposed ramp, noting that the water is two feet deep at the proposed location and stated he doubts Erie County engineers will approve of digging near the bridge abutment.

Stacy Brown, Hubbard Road, stated she lives adjacent to Majors Park and that she is a kayaker. Ms. Brown noted that the Town owns a lot of property along Cazenovia Creek and that Majors Park is underutilized. She also stated the distance the kayaks can travel depends on the water level and downed trees. Ms. Brown commented on the proposed 2-3 car parking area and stated that cars with trailers would not be able to go there.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilman Granville moved to amend the agenda by adding item 5H – EV charger grant. Councilman McCann seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none	Motion carried.	Action #258 5H added to agenda
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Councilman Snyder moved to approve the request for a Fireworks Display permit for Strawberry Banks Farm, 1181 Quaker Road, E. Aurora, to allow Skylighters of WNY, Inc. to conduct a fireworks display on Saturday, July 30, 2022. Councilman Granville seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Action #259
Fireworks
display at
Strawberry
Banks aprvd

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

Whereas, the Town of Aurora has engaged the services of Wendel Companies to apply for the Smart Growth Community Planning Grant through the New York State Consolidated Funding Application on its behalf: and

Whereas, the Town of Aurora is committed to preserving its rural residential identity while planning for potential changes to its energy needs, climate, population, demographic makeup and other unforeseen events: and

Whereas, the Town of Aurora recognizes that it should preserve green spaces for use by its residents and for the benefit of the environment; and

Whereas, the Town of Aurora understands that planning requires a deliberate hand to achieve the desired outcome; and

Whereas, the Aurora Town Board believes that all stakeholders should have the opportunity to provide input as to their desired future of our community and its role in the region.

Therefore, be it
RESOLVED, that the Aurora Town Board commits to drafting a new comprehensive plan, should we be selected for the Smart Growth Community Planning Grant, and

Action #260
Comprehen-
sive Plan
commitment
resolution
adopted

RESOLVED, that the Aurora Town Board further commits to allocating an amount not to exceed eight thousand dollars (\$8000) for the Town's ten percent (10%) share of the cost to retain the services a professional entity to assist with the creation of a new comprehensive plan.

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

Councilman McCann moved to approve the hiring of the following as Seasonal PT Lifeguards at the rate of \$13.60 per hour:

Anna Brinker 201 Glenridge Road, EA
Jameson Dvorak 152 Olean Street, EA
Elliott Marshall 40 Girdle Road, EA
Avery Stahl ^ 76 Simme Road, Lancaster
^ non-resident

Action #261
Hiring of
lifeguards
aprvd.

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

Councilman Granville moved to add the water safety instructor rate of \$14.60 per hours for the following employees who have completed their Red Cross certification:

Alexander Herr Lillian Mruzik Weston Valentine Jacob Winfield
This rate will only be used when the employee is teaching swim lessons.

Action #262
WSI rate
aprvd for
current
lifeguards

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

Councilman McCann moved to approve a 3-year contract extension with UniFirst to provide floor mat rental at the Senior Center and Highway buildings and uniforms at Highway, and to authorize the Supervisor to sign the contracts. Councilman Granville seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Action #263
Supv auth to sign UniFirst contract for floor mat rental

Councilman Snyder moved to approve the following budget transfer to prevent an overdrawn appropriation line:

From: DB9060.800 Hosp/Med insurance \$1,365.00
To: DB5110.109 Med Ins reimbursement \$1,365.00

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

Action #264
Hwy med ins budget trans aprvd

Councilman Wochensky moved to approve the request from Highway Superintendent Gunner to attend the NYS Association of Town Superintendents of Highways annual conference in Ellicottville, NY on September 20-23, 2022. Councilman Snyder seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Action #265
D. Gunner aprvd to attend conference

Councilman Granville moved to authorize applying for a grant for funds to install electric vehicle charging stations at Community Pool Park, 690 South Street, and at the highway department, 251 Quaker Road. Councilman McCann seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none Motion carried.

Action #266
Auth given to apply for EV charging station grant

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

- Town Clerk – June 2022 report
- Work Requisitions – May and June 2022 reports
- Supervisor – June 2022 report

BUSINESS FROM BOARD MEMBERS/LIAISONS:

Councilman Snyder and Supervisor Bach commented on the great fireworks display on July 3rd and the great job done by Meaghan Tent on the parade and the activities in the park.

AUDIENCE II:

Rod Simeone, Byeberry Court, commented on the proposed comprehensive plan and noted that it is money well spent. In reference to dwelling groups discussed at the work session, Mr. Simeone noted that any code having secondary houses in residential zones is a slippery slope and needs to have T's crossed and I's dotted.

STAFF REPORTS:

Highway Superintendent Gunner stated that the pickleball courts will be worked on first and then the tennis courts. Mr. Gunner noted that he will be working with the engineers on the bridges and the East Fillmore bridge will be closed on Friday and Monday.

Chris Musshafen stated that Meaghan Tent did a fantastic job on the July 3rd events. Mr. Musshafen has in-service training set for Saturday for pool staff and he has reviewed safety issues with them.

Police Chief Krieger reminded people to lock their cars and not to leave keys or key fobs in cars, noting there were several cars reported stolen in East Aurora in recent weeks.

ABSTRACT OF CLAIMS:

The July 11, 2022 Abstract of Claims, consisting of vouchers numbered 755 to 824, was presented to the Board for audit and authorization of payment from the following funds:

General	\$ 33,674.34
Highway	11,465.50
Special Districts	<u>601.48</u>
Grand Total Abstract	\$ 45,741.32

Councilman Granville moved to approve the 6/27/2022 Abstract of Claims and authorize payment of same. Councilman Snyder seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none
Motion carried.

Action #267
7/11/22
Abstract of
Claims aprvd

Councilman McCann moved to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. Seconded by Councilman Snyder. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five noes – none
Motion carried.

Action #268
Meeting
adjourned.

Martha L. Librock
Town Clerk