

July 22, 2024

A meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Aurora took place on Monday, July 22, 2024, beginning at 6:30 p.m. 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:	Joseph McCann	Councilman
	James F. Granville	Councilman
	Raymond M. Wrazen	Councilman
	Charles D. Snyder	Supervisor
Absent/Excused:	Luke Wochensky	Councilman
Others Present:	Brigid Maloney	Town Attorney
	Elizabeth Cassidy	Code Enforcement Officer
	David Gunner	Highway Superintendent
	Chris Musshafen	Recreation/Aquatics Dir.
	Douglas Crow	Planning Board Chairman
	Patrick Welch	Chief of Police
	Elizabeth Wilber	Live Stream Coordinator

Supervisor Snyder opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Councilman McCann moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of the July 8, 2024 meeting minutes and the July 22, 2024 Abstract of Claims consisting of vouchers 731 to 854 to be paid from the following funds:

General	\$ 50,238.73	Action #251
Part Town	139.37	7/8/24
Highway/DB	72,608.81	minutes &
Capital/H7	19,914.22	7/22/24
Special Districts	<u>10,548.68</u>	abstract of
Grand Total Abstract	\$153,449.81	claims aprvd

Councilman Wrazen seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken:  
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AUDIENCE I: none

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Councilman Wrazen moved to authorize the Supervisor to sign the agreement with LaBella Associates, D.P.C., for the Comprehensive Plan services to be performed by LaBella for the Town. Councilman Granville seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four          noes – none  
Motion carried.

Action #252  
Supv auth to sign LaBella agreement for Comp Plan update

Councilman McCann moved to approve payment No. 13 to Foit Albert in the amount of \$14,126.67 for services rendered from April 27 through June 28, 2024 for the Church Street bridge replacement project. Funds will be disbursed from H7-5120.210. Councilman Wrazen seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four          noes – none  
Motion carried.

Action #253  
Pymt #13 to Foit Albert for Church St bridge aprvd

Councilman Wrazen moved to approve payment No. 12 to Foit Albert in the amount of \$5,787.55 for services rendered from April 27 through June 28, 2024 for the East Fillmore Avenue bridge replacement project. Funds will be disbursed from H7-5120.210. Councilman Granville seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four          noes – none  
Motion carried.

Action #254  
Pymt #12 to Foit Albert for E. Fillmore Ave bridge aprvd

Councilman McCann moved to refer the Open Development Area, site plan and special use permit applications for 196 Ellicott Road, W. Falls, to the Planning Board for review and recommendation(s). Councilman Granville seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

Action #255  
196 Ellicott  
ODA, site plan  
& SUP  
referred to  
Plnng brd

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilman Wrazen moved to approve the following budget transfer to correct an overdrawn Highway appropriation budget line:

From: DB9060.0800 Hosp/Med Ins \$910.00  
To: DB5110.0109 Med Ins/Retiree \$910.00

Action #256  
Hwy budget  
transfer aprvd

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

Councilman Granville moved to approve the following Budget amendment to represent the increase in revenue and appropriations for the recreation golf program:

- Increase revenue line A2050 Golf Lessons by \$870.00
- Increase appropriation line A7185.400 Golf Vendor by \$870.00

Action #257  
Rec golf  
budget  
amendment -  
aprvd

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

Councilman McCann moved to approve and adopt the following 2025 Budget Calendar:

Departmental Budget Request Forms to Department Heads	Friday 7/19/24
Department Heads Formulate Budget Requests and meet with Town Board Liaisons	Monday 7/22-Thursday 8/1/24
Departmental Request Forms due to Supervisor's Office	Friday 8/2/24
<b>Town Board Meeting w/ Department Heads and Budget Officer *Special Meeting*</b>	<b>Tuesday 8/6/24 @ 11am</b>
<b>Town Board Work Session to Review Tentative Budget *Special Meeting*</b>	<b>Wednesday 9/11/24 @ 5pm</b>
Budget Officer Files Tentative Budget with Town Clerk (by Sept 30)	Thursday 9/19/24
Town Clerk Presents the Tentative Budget to the Town Board (by Oct 5)	Monday 9/23/24 Board Mtg
<b>Town Board Tentative Budget Work Session *Special Meeting*</b>	<b>Wednesday 9/25/24 @ 5pm</b>
Town Board approves changes to Tentative Budget and accepts it as the Preliminary Budget; Sets Public Hearing	Tuesday 10/15/24 Board Mtg
Public Hearing on the Preliminary Budget (by Nov 10)	Monday 10/28/24 Board Mtg
<b>Town Board Preliminary Budget Work Session *Special Meeting (if needed)*</b>	<b>Wednesday 10/30/24 @ 5pm</b>
<b>Adopt the Budget (no later than Nov 20)</b>	<b>Tuesday 11/12/24 Board Mtg</b>

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

Action #258  
2025 budget  
calendar aprvd

Code Enforcement Officer Cassidy informed the Town Board that item 6D – Justice Court action no longer needs to be considered by the Board as the property owner renewed the expired building permit for 130 Manchester Road.

Councilman McCann moved to approve the Special Event Permit for Country Fresh Farms (CFF) to hold a frozen meat sale in the parking lot of Motion Craft at 580 Olean Road from 8:00a.m. to 7:00p.m. on August 14-17, 2024. Councilman Wrazen seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

Action #259  
Special event permit aprvd – 580 Olean frzn meat sale

Councilman Wrazen moved to approve the request from Chris Musshafen to hire the following as Lifeguard Seasonal PT at an hourly rate of \$16.50; orientation will be considered first day worked:

Tessa Fowler 26 N. Willow St., E. Aurora  
Paul Hulme 1040 Porterville, E. Aurora  
Abigail Jetty 119 Park Place, E. Aurora  
Izzy King^ 12881 Clinton St. (Marilla), PO Alden  
Emmett Merrick 255 Geneva, E. Aurora  
Gianna Patterson 280 Greenwood, E. Aurora  
(^non-resident)

Action #260  
Six Seasonal PT lifeguards hired

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

Councilman McCann moved to accept the following donations to go towards bands for the July 3, 2024 celebration. Donations will be deposited to A2080.1:

Sammy’s Car Wash, Inc.	\$100.00
Left Coast Taco	\$100.00
Advantage Pallets	\$100.00
East Aurora Police Quaker Club	\$200.00
East Aurora Rotary Club	\$200.00
Riley Street Station	\$100.00
Varecka Builders, Inc.	\$100.00

Action #261  
Donations for 7/3/24 bands accepted.

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

In a memo to the Town Board, Chris Musshafen suggested that the fees for the Temporary Use Permits for the East Aurora High School and the NYSPHSAA cross country events be waived as the EAUFSD does not currently charge the Town a facility use fee for using the school property for E.A.S.T, swim lessons and programs held at Parkdale.

Councilman Granville moved to approve the Temporary Use Permit, (with no fees) to East Aurora High School Cross Country/Walt McLaughlin, to hold their 2024 Knox Cross Country Invitational on Saturday, September 7, 2024 (set-up 9/6/24) contingent upon there being no time conflicts with the Aurora Arsenal Soccer Club. Councilman McCann seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

Action #262  
TUP aprvd for EAHS cross country event at KFSP

Councilman McCann moved to approve the Temporary Use Permit, (with no fees) to NYSPHSAA Section 6/Walt McLaughlin, to hold their Section 6 Cross Country Championship 5K races on Friday, November 1, 2024 (back-up date 11/8/24) contingent upon there being no time conflicts with the Aurora Arsenal Soccer Club. Councilman Wrazen seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none  
Motion carried.

Action #263  
TUP aprvd  
for  
NYSPHSAA  
cross country  
event at  
KFSP

#### COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS:

- Building Department – June report
- Dog Control – June report
- Senior Center – June report
- Recreation – June report
- Work Requisitions – June report
- Town Clerk – June report

#### BUSINESS FROM BOARD MEMBERS/LIAISONS:

Councilman McCann spoke about crypto mining and the issues that the city of North Tonawanda is having with it. Mr. McCann suggested that the Town put a two year moratorium in place.

Councilman Wrazen noted that he heard from the WNY Land Conservancy and the issue of dogs in Majors Park and that dogs on leashes are allowed in the park.

Supervisor Snyder thanked everyone who helped and worked so hard with clean-up after the recent tornado that touched down in West Falls. Mr. Snyder also wished Councilman Granville happy birthday (7/24).

#### AUDIENCE II:

Tom Scheifflee, Lewis Road, spoke to the Board about the noise in his neighborhood from gun shots. Mr. Scheifflee stated that people in the area are doing a lot of target shooting, some even shooting toward his house, and that the noise from the guns is often unbearable. Police Chief Welch asked Mr. Scheifflee to call his department when this is occurring so a police officer can determine if something can be done.

#### STAFF REPORTS:

Highway Superintendent Gunner stated his department is still cleaning up from the recent storms and tornado.

Chris Musshafen praised the day camp staff for their actions during the recent storms.

Police Chief Welch stated that the activity after the recent tornado showed how much small town cooperation there is in this community.

Councilman Wrazen moved to adjourn at 7:15 p.m. Seconded by Councilman McCann. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none  
Motion carried.

Action #264  
Meeting  
adjourned

Martha L. Librock  
Town Clerk