# **AURELIUS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

# Regular Remote Meeting Tuesday, February 9, 2021

#### **MINUTES**

The Aurelius Township Board met in regular remote session on Tuesday, February 9, 2021, through Zoom software.

**Board members attending:** Ayres, Groh, Silsby, Malcangi and Waltz

**Members Absent:** None

Others attending: Seth Koches, Nathan Hude

The regular meeting was called to order by Supervisor Silsby at 7:42 p.m. All attending joined in the pledge to the United States flag.

## **Consent Agenda**

Board Meeting Minutes of January 12, 2021 were reviewed for approval.

Expenses were reviewed for approval in the amount of \$106,128.69 covered by vouchers: Payroll Fund: Checks #17455 - #17468, and 1 EFT. General Fund, Fire Fund, Street Light Fund: Checks#17469 - #17490.

Motion made by Member Waltz and seconded by Member Groh to approve consent agenda. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

## **Public Comment**

None

## **Set Agenda**

Add Board of Review Follow-up and Position Description for Glenna Droscha Grounds Keeper to Unfinished Business. Add Tax Roll FOIA Request Form, EMS Resolution, Authority to Enforce Code Resolution, and Resolution to Allow Resident to Protest Board of Review in Writing to New Business. Motion made by Member Ayres and seconded by Member Silsby to approve additions to agenda. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

#### **Unfinished Business**

Dan Plyler has submitted payment for outstanding inspections past the deadline. Motion made by Member Waltz to settle accounts and find a replacement Inspector effective February 28, 2021. Member Groh seconded motion. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Member Waltz and seconded by Member Malcangi to amend previous motion regarding Dan Plyler. Pay withheld December mileage, January mileage and inspections and past inspections turned in after deadline without duplicate inspections. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Member Groh and seconded by Member Waltz to have a monthly report of inspections to the Township Board by the Supervisor or Building Official. Vote:

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Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Supervisor Silsby is working on the reorganization of the Building Program and will use information from the BS&A Building Program Instruction Manual.

Member Ayres reported Building Official will need to have a line item added at budget time.

Member Groh asked when the form letters that are being used for the Building Department will be forwarded to Board of Trustees for review.

Attorney Koches has sent letters to Attorney, David Carter regarding Shepard property attorney fees, Mike Mullins and Gary Haynes regarding repair business without a special use permit, and is preparing a citation to take action for junk cars at 123 Aurelius Road. Nothing is happening at the Haynes sand pit. No response has been received from letters. Member Silsby will need to go to courthouse to register as Code Enforcer for Aurelius Township. Mr. Koches recommends adding an ordinance for Code Enforcement Officer. Solar ordinance and setback ordinance are being addressed with the Planning Commission. The setback ordinance was sent to the Mobil Home Commission. If no answer is received in 60 days it is presumed approved.

Motion made by Member Ayres to approve resolution to authorize Larry Silsby to enforce Chapter 16 of township ordinance and was seconded by Member Malcangi. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstained: Silsby. Motion carried.

Zoning Administrator posting runs through February 17, 2021. Two applications have been received from the internet and one in person application has been received.

#### **New Business**

Sheriff report was received.

Planning Commission schedule will be determined at the next meeting on February 16, 2021.

Motion made by Member Ayres to approved Position Description for Glenna Droscha Grounds Keeper and seconded by Member Waltz. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Member Silsby to approve Auditor Contract for \$6,600 to Siegfried and Crandall and seconded by Member Waltz. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

John Anderson wants to reserve pavilion for tree sale. Member Ayres motioned to approve sale with social distancing and attendees wearing masks. Silsby seconded. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Member Silsby spoke with Robert Hale of Eaton Sparrow about the new EMS contract. He has not called back with information. Member Waltz made a motion to approve EMS resolution approving Lansing Mason Ambulance as the first responder for Aurelius

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Township. Groh seconded motion. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Member Silsby and Dave Droscha have already taken Board of Review training with Michigan Townships Association.

Ingham County Road Department invoice has been received. It is unclear if all that was proposed has been completed. Member Groh made a motion for Member Silsby to follow up and report back to the board. Motion seconded by Member Waltz. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Township property house removal on Aurelius Road need bids for demolition. Member Silsby said fire department may want to run drills there. Motion made by Member Groh to have Trustees make requests for demolition bids. Ayres seconded motion. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Member Malcangi and seconded by Member Groh to approve collection action for Adam Henry. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Member Ayres and seconded by Member Silsby to approve COVID pay for employee that had two days off for testing. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Budget meetings Silsby scheduled need to be changed because Trustees can only attend evening meetings. Hearing for March 9<sup>th</sup> budget will need to be held via Zoom at 6:45 p.m. Budget work sessions will be held February 23 and 25 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom.

Motion made by Member Groh and seconded by Member Waltz to have mandatory budget training for board members. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Member Silsby and seconded by Member Ayres to approve resolution for local residents to protest Board of Review in writing. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Member Silsby and seconded by Member Malcangi to table Inspector pay and mileage on one check until budget meetings. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Member Ayres and seconded by Member Groh to approve a records request form for tax FOIA that has requestor sign stating they will not sell information for commercial purposes. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Correspondence reviewed from Pest Control. A bid will be requested to compare with Mosquito Squad. Correspondence from Walk for Warmth also reviewed.

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### **Board Reports**

Clerk Ayres provided balance sheet report. She reported receiving a request from Nathan Hude for information regarding contract with Granger for curbside recycling.

Treasurer Groh provided the Cash Report with a balance of \$833,793.40. CD will be coming up for renewal. Groh gave information on Consumers Energy Assistance Program to share with residents. She also gave an overview on revenue sharing and reported projections for next year revenue sharing may be about the same as the current year if not less. Groh motioned to have a resolution for recognition of service written for Bryan Droscha. Malcangi seconded. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

## **Public Comment**

Mr. Nathan Hude discussed recycling curbside pickup and township contract with Granger. It was explained township doesn't contract with Granger for refuse removal for the whole township and everyone is free to choose their own service.

Meeting adjourned at 10:21 p.m.	
Respectfully submitted by:	
Tracy Ayres, Clerk	
Aurelius Township	