

**AURELIUS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**Special Meeting**  
**Tuesday, April 7, 2020**  
**MINUTES**

The Aurelius Township Board met in special session on Tuesday, April 7, 2020, at the Aurelius Township Hall, 1939 S. Aurelius Road, Mason, Michigan at 6:00 p.m.

**Board members present:** Ayres, Droscha, Groh, and Malcangi

**Members Absent:** Silsby

**Others Present:** None

The meeting was called to order by Clerk Ayres at 6:00 p.m. All present joined in the pledge to the United States flag.

**Unfinished Business**

None.

**New Business**

Larry Silsby will not be attending budget meeting. Motion made by Member Groh to appoint Member Ayres as meeting moderator in the absence of Township Supervisor and seconded by Member Malcangi. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Droscha, Groh and Malcangi. Nays: None. Absent: Silsby. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Remote Meetings Resolution made by Member Ayres and seconded by Member Droscha. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Droscha, Groh and Malcangi. Nays: None. Absent: Silsby. Motion carried.

Motion to approve budget amendments for 19-20 budget year made by Member Droscha and seconded by Member Malcangi. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Droscha, Groh and Malcangi. Nays: None. Absent: Silsby. Motion carried.

Member Groh shared township financial data from [micommunityfinancials.michigan.gov](http://micommunityfinancials.michigan.gov) and discussed possible reductions in shared revenue due to COVID-19.

There was discussion regarding G D Park restroom being closed due to COVID-19 and having the restroom closed down and locked regularly from December through April of each year.

Salaries were discussed. An increase to \$17.00 for Administrative Assistant, \$18.00 for Deputy Clerk, \$21.75 for Deputy Treasurer and a starting wage of \$16.00 if a new Deputy Treasurer is hired, was approved by motion from Member Droscha and seconded by Member Ayres. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Droscha, Groh and Malcangi. Nays: None. Absent: Silsby. Motion carried.

Motion by Member Malcangi and seconded by Member Droscha for Township Officers' salary to remain the same as 19-20 budget year due to expected budget reductions from impact of COVID-19. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Droscha, Groh and Malcangi. Nays: None. Absent: Silsby. Motion carried.

Assessing was discussed and will be discussed further at April 14, 2020 Board of Trustees meeting.

Motion made by Member Malcangi and seconded by Member Droscha to approve appointment of Electrical Inspector, Craig Courter. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Droscha, Groh and Malcangi. Nays: None. Absent: Silsby. Motion carried.

Reduction of permit revenue and property clean up notices were discussed. A request for a Zoning Administrator update will be added to April agenda.

A discussion of further property purchase and cost for demolition of houses on township property required bid from a contractor. Property demolition may be put off until next budget year if state shared revenue is reduced. Items from Capital Improvements Program to be addressed are Columbia Creek fence posts replacement and restroom paint, previously bid Hall painting, maintenance pan replacement, Township Hall sign, Hall heaters replacement, and gutter guards.

Columbia Creek Park cleaning should go out for a bid to reduce cost. Item will be added to April 14, 2020 Board of Trustees meeting. Water pump in Glenna Droscha Park costs township a considerable amount for water testing each year as a public water supply. Township should consider closing the pump down to save costs. Item will be discussed further at future meeting. Library costs were discussed. Contract should be reconsidered at a future meeting.

Motion made by Member Droscha and seconded by Member Malcangi to approve requested budget for April 14, 2020 hearing. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Droscha, Groh and Malcangi. Nays: None. Absent: Silsby. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Tracy Ayres, Clerk  
Aurelius Township