

AURELIUS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, October 8, 2019

MINUTES

The Aurelius Township Board met in regular session on Tuesday, October 8, 2019, at the Aurelius Township Hall, 1939 S. Aurelius Road, Mason, Michigan.

Board members present: Ayres, Droscha, Groh, Malcangi and Silsby.

Members Absent: None

Others Present: None

A Public Hearing on the proposed 5 year Parks and Recreation Plan was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

All present joined in the pledge to the United States flag.

Public Comment

None

Public Hearing adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

The regular meeting was called to order by Supervisor Silsby at 7:00 p.m.

Consent Agenda

Board Meeting Minutes of September 9, 2019, were reviewed for approval.

Expenses were reviewed for approval in the amount of \$37,512.09 covered by vouchers: Payroll Fund: Checks #16683 - #16694 and 1 EFT.

General Fund, Fire Fund, Street Light Fund: Checks #16695 - #16735 and 1 EFT. Park Plan Resolution, Deputy Clerk Salary, and Hall repair bid was added to new business agenda.

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

Public Comment

None

Unfinished Business

Tomco's hydro hoe broken window will be covered by Tomco's insurance and they will absorb their deductible and not send a claim to township.

Capital Area District Library wants to close drop box on west side of building. They will pay for box, concrete and closing box. A box will put on northeast corner of township office as a drive up box.

Treloar paint bid has been received but we are unable to open it. A new copy is being sent from contractor. Member Groh wanted to check AC in ceiling to make sure there is

no leak before the ceiling is repainted. Member Silsby said the mechanical inspector looked at it and said the only way to be sure is to pull unit.

New Business

Officer Harrison was not able to attend.

Member Ayres stated March 10, 2019, Board of Trustees Meeting falls on an election. Meeting will be changed to Wednesday, March 11, 2020. Change will be posted in accordance with OMA rules. Motion made by Member Droscha and seconded by Member Ayres. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Droscha, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Member Ayres motioned for salary for new Deputy Clerk, Christine Winters, to be \$16.00 with \$1.00 increase in 90 days. Motion seconded by member Droscha. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Droscha, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Member Groh stated memorial donation to be used for playground drum for \$1,229. Installation will be extra. Member Groh will get bid from John Way.

David Revore, Township Attorney, has left Bauckham, Sparks Law firm and started his own law firm. Member Malcangi motioned to keep Revore as attorney and was seconded by Member Silsby. Ayes taken. Motion carried.

Member Droscha motioned to adopt Parks and Recreation Plan and was seconded by Member Ayres. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Droscha, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Member Malcangi motioned to approve bid for repairs by CBS and was seconded by Member Droscha. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Droscha, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Member Groh had a safety concern about glass in sign to be rehung. Silsby stated it was Plexiglass. There was discussion about where to replace sign. Member Droscha motioned to rehang on brick wall behind door where it was easier to access and motion was seconded by Member Malcangi. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Droscha, Groh, Malcangi. Nays: Silsby. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Member Silsby proposed tuckpointing be done on stone foundation by Scott Silsby for \$2,500 to \$3,000 time and material. Member Droscha motioned to approve repair by Scott Silsby not to exceed \$3,000. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Droscha, Groh, Malcangi. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstained: Silsby. Motion carried.

Board Reports

Supervisor Silsby had nothing to report.

Clerk Ayres requested collection action for non-payment of fire run for Hagemann. Member Malcangi motioned to approve and was seconded by Member Droscha. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Droscha, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried. Ayres provided the Balance Sheet report. She also reported being selected to

attend eight days of meetings with the State Bureau of Elections for improving efficiencies for processing absent voter ballots. Ayres also attended one day of training with Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks Association. Ayres reported on attending meetings to discuss the Environmental Health Department proposed 10 Year Septic System Inspection Program. She and Member Groh encouraged all board members to attend the next meeting on October 23, 2019, to get informed on the topic and to represent township residents. Ayres also gave a two week notice for resignation of Custodian position. She gave the correspondence report for Comcast changes, a complaint response by Health Department for resident, and a letter from State Tax Commission regarding Assessing Issues.

Treasurer Groh gave the cash report of \$715,838.74 and the quarterly investment report of \$343,313.25. She reported the Michigan Class interest rate has gone down but is still earning. Groh asked the Trustees to help with the biannual park inspections. Groh asked for input on selecting a style of sign for the street side of the Township Hall. Groh reported on the wayfinding signage from the county. The destination signs are on hold due to county issue with sign contractor. Groh discussed the issue of the water softener overflow hose being sided over and overflowing into utility closet. Repair has been made by water softener company.

Trustee Malcangi stated Columbia Creek park would be closed starting November 1, 2019.

Public Comment

None.

Meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Tracy Ayres, Clerk
Aurelius Township