

AURELIUS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, May 13th, 2025

APPROVED MINUTES

The Aurelius Township Board met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 13, 2025, at 1939 S. Aurelius Rd., Mason, Ingham County, Michigan.

Board members attending: Anderson, Walter, Droscha, Malcangi, and Waltz

Members Absent: None

Others Attending: B. Droscha, M. Martin, N. Hicks, C. Hicks, H Cusenza, J. Argersinger, B. Argersinger, L. Gaddie

The regular meeting was called to order by Supervisor Droscha. All attending joined in the pledge to the United States flag.

Set/Adjust Agenda

Member Waltz made a motion to accept agenda as written. Motion was supported by member Malcangi to approve agenda as is. Vote: Ayes: Anderson, Malcangi, Walter, Droscha, and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Public Comment

None

Consent Agenda

Motion made by member Anderson to approve minutes of April 8th, 2025 regular meeting, and invoices totaling \$66,911.71. Motion supported by member Malcangi.

Payroll: Checks #019729 - #019743. General Fund, Fire Fund, Street Light Fund: Checks #019704 – 019728.

Unfinished Business

Received zoning report from B Droscha. 496 Waverly, 5606 Barnes, 6253 W Columbia, property were all discussed with different varying complaints from neighbors, and/or ordinance violations.

Public Hearing on Stollen Berries

Opened public hearing. C. and N. Hicks spoke regarding their plans for Stollen Berries. Brief conversation amongst Hicks and the board members. Public hearing portion was closed. Motion was made by member Malcangi to approve the special use permit as submitted from the planning commission. Supported by member Waltz. Vote: Ayes: Anderson, Walter, Malcangi, Droscha, and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

New Business

Approval for Stollen Berries On-Premise Tasting Permit - Motion was made by member Walter to approve the on-premise tasting permit for stollen berries as presented and

supported by member Anderson. Roll call vote taken: Ayes: Anderson, Walter, Malcangi, Droscha, and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Cancellation approval for hall rental - Motion was made by Malcangi to approve the cancellation of a reservation and reimburse them \$100. Supported by member Anderson. Vote: Ayes: Anderson, Walter, Malcangi, Droscha, and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

R2025-19 – Fire withholding for Gale property. Per the insurance company, they are needing us to have an escrow account set up to pass the insurance money into regarding the gale rd. property. Motion was made by member Malcangi to approve using the withholding program as requested. Supported by member Waltz. Vote: Ayes: Anderson, Walter, Malcangi, Droscha, and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

R2025-20 – Security grant for Columbia creek - Motion was made by member Droscha to approve the grant as written for security purposes. Supported by member Waltz. Vote: Ayes: Anderson, Walter, Malcangi, Droscha, and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Township Drain repair – Discussion amongst board on the issue. Motion was made by member Waltz to approve up to a \$3500 budget to be used for drain repairs at Glenna Droscha parking lot. Supported by member Walter. Vote: Ayes: Anderson, Walter, Malcangi, Droscha, and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Township Railing repair – Discussion was had. No motion made. To be followed up on regarding specifics of the contract Ken had submitted for discussion at next meeting.

Property Purchase agreement – Looked at the sample Property purchase agreement together that we may use moving forward regarding the Barnes property Aurelius Township is looking to acquire. Agreement was made it looks great, and will consult back with the attorney, as he provided it to us.

Board of appeals appointment –Louis Gaddie – He introduced himself with a brief bio. Motion was made by member Droscha to appoint Mr. Gaddie to the empty seat for the Board of Appeals. Supported by member Waltz. Vote: Ayes: Anderson, Walter, Malcangi, Droscha, and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Complaint form – Member Walter brought forward a form to utilize moving forward with complaints regarding property/ordinance violations etc. It can also be used on our website in the future when updated.

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6253 Columbia was discussed at length regarding ordinance violations, previous letters sent, communication, and complaints. Property owner, and occupants: H Cusenza, J. Argersinger, B. Argersinger were present and spoke regarding their claim to be able to stay in the trailer, and denying that they were living in the trailer. Specific ordinance issues were stated and discussed. Agreements were not made. Member Droscha moved on from the conversation with the resolution that the board feels it would serve the community's best interest with moving forward with the citation.

Board Reports

Supervisor – none

Clerk - None

Treasurer – Pavillion to start when not so wet. Playground is starting Monday with hopes to be completed by 6/15

Trustees – Malcangi asked about website update. Member Walter is following up and was told that the prototype should be released soon.

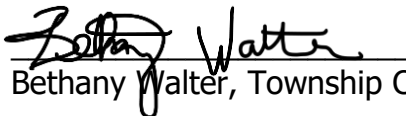
Public Comment

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Adjournment

Supervisor Droscha called for adjournment at 8:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:


Bethany Walter, Township Clerk