

AURELIUS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, December 10, 2019

MINUTES

The Aurelius Township Board met in regular session on Tuesday, December 10, 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:

The regular meeting was called to order by Supervisor Silsby at 7:00 p.m. All present joined in the pledge to the United States flag.

Consent Agenda

Board Meeting Minutes of November 11, 2019, were reviewed for approval.

Expenses were reviewed for approval in the amount of \$60,274.54 covered by vouchers: Payroll Fund: Checks #16784 - #16797 and 1 EFT.

General Fund, Fire Fund, Street Light Fund: Checks #16783, #16798 - #16824.

Resolutions 2019-17 and 2019-18 were added to consent agenda.

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

Public Comment

None

Unfinished Business

Capital Area District Library new drop box has been installed and old book drop has not been removed but is blocked up by the CADL maintenance.

Member Droscha would like to find a way to heat crawl space with heating units working on a thermostat instead of using heat tape. Member Ayres has asked Custom Electric for recommendations.

Paint bid will be placed on hold until next meeting for more information.

Member Groh will get more information on sign before a bid is accepted.

A bid from Exteriors of Lansing for \$1,386 for east side of Library and north side of hall. Groh will get additional bid for remainder of south side of building and will ask for an additional bid from Southwell builders.

Member Malcangi will stop by to screw down the downspouts that keep blowing off the building.

John Way has received shipment of playground equipment and he will look for an opening in the weather to install.

New Business

Member Ayres discussed the payment of the playground equipment coming from the Park Fund after consulting Dan Veldhuizen, of Siegfried and Crandall. Motion to approve payment from the Park Fund made by Member Ayres and was seconded by Member Droscha. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Droscha, Groh, Malcangi, and Silsby. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Member Groh discussed pros and cons of the Positive Pay fraud protection plan through Commercial Bank.

Motion for approval of Planning Commission appointment for Sarah Ricketts was made by Member Silsby and seconded by Member Malcangi. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Droscha, Groh, Malcangi, and Silsby. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion for approval of Zoning Board of Appeals appointment for Craig Iansiti and Tom Knudtson was made by motion of Member Droscha and seconded by Member Silsby. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Droscha, Groh, Malcangi, and Silsby. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion for approval of Fee change Resolution 2019-16 for grave openings at \$800 was made by Member Silsby and seconded by Member Malcangi. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Droscha, Groh, Malcangi, and Silsby. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion for approval of Budget Amendments attached to these minutes were made by Member Droscha and seconded by Member Silsby. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Droscha, Groh, Malcangi, and Silsby. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Cemetery issues regarding paying for grave openings and other services and receiving payments was discussed.

The new Assessor, Krista Simmons, was unable to attend the board meeting due to holiday commitments. The Assessing report was received in written form regarding equalization ratios for the 2020 assessment roll and the corrective action plan required by the State Tax Commission due to assessing issues.

Member Groh discussed board members alternating attending the Columbia Lakes Home Owners Association meetings which are held at the township hall. The next meeting will be on December 17, 2019.

Member Ayres discussed taking advantage of the trainings available through Michigan Townships Association and stated the newly updated Authorities and Responsibilities books have been ordered for each board member.

Accounting Procedures Resolution was updated with deposit amounts to establish a maximum amount of cash and checks on hand. Motion for approval of Resolution 2019-18 Accounting Procedures Resolution was made by Member Malcangi and seconded by Member Droscha. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Droscha, Groh, Malcangi, and Silsby. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion for approval of Resolution 2019-17 Resolution for Real and Personal Property Tax Payment Designee Appointments was made by Member Malcangi and seconded by Member Droscha. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Droscha, Groh, Malcangi, and Silsby. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Board Reports

Member Silsby gave the Ingham County Road Department report. He also reported Hayes Green Beach has now become Sparrow Eaton Hospital.

Clerk Ayres reported on the balance sheet.

Treasurer Groh gave the cash report of \$650,846.12

Trustee Malcangi stated the solar farm ordinance would be discussed at the Planning Commission meeting in January and then a hearing would be held in February.

Public Comment

None.

Meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Tracy Ayres, Clerk
Aurelius Township