

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 20, 2021

The annual meeting of the Town of Aurora was held at the town hall on April 20, 2021. Notices of the meeting had been posted at Midway Gas & Oil, Olsen's Mill, and Town Hall board.

The meeting was called to order at 6:37 p. m. by Chairman Young.

The minutes from the 2020 meeting were approved after a **motion by Jeff Toll and a second by Jeff Toll. (5 in favor and 0 opposed.) Motion carried.**

The 2020 financial report was given by Clerk Reinbold. Copies of the report had been distributed to all electors' present. It was explained that the town had a total of \$77,635.09 available to the town in all accounts on December 31, 2018. Of this amount, \$15,000 is in our contingency, and \$62,635.09 was undesignated funds. Major expenditures for 2020 included \$122,725 for highway repairs and improvements, \$14,734.25 was spent on elections for wages and upgrading the town hall due to the pandemic. **Jeff Toll made a motion to approve the financial report, C.J. Young made a second. (5 in favor and 0 opposed.) Motion carried.**

The road report was given by Chairman Young. In 2020, the town spent \$18,000 on snow removal, Cypress Ave saw most of the highway budget and there was \$20,000 spent on mowing and a culvert. No action taken.

C.J. Young spoke with Jerry Luttrupp and Jerry believes that the town already has village powers. Katie will try to find the resolution for that. **Andy Przybyl made a motion to obtain village powers if we do not already have them. C.J. Young made a second. (5 in favor and 0 opposed.) Motion carried.**

Discussion of salaries, wages and milage: The mileage rate is the number the state uses which is \$0.56. Road patching is at \$13.50/hour plus mileage, but for this year we are going to use the county. Mowing for the town hall and Sacramento cemetery is \$15/hour (if you use your own mower) plus mileage. Roadside mowing operator will be \$12/hour. Election inspectors are at \$10/hour and chief inspectors are at \$12/hour. Chairman wages are at \$5,000, supervisors are at \$2,750, treasurer is at \$5,000, and clerk is at \$12,000. There was some discussion about the clerk wage going up, but Katie said she is fine where she is at, Andy believes the clerk should have another increase. Jeff mentioned the supervisors having an increase. **Jeff Toll made a motion to freeze all wages this year. Melissa Zamzow made a second. (3 in favor and 2 opposed.) Motion carried.**

Town posting locations were discussed. Currently the clerk posts notices at Midway Gas, Olsen's Mill, and the Town Hall and on the Town website; www.townaurora.com. Also, the required newspaper notices are being put in the Waushara Argus. **A motion to approve keep the posting locations as is was made by C.J. Young with a second by Jeff Toll. Motion passed. (5 in favor and none opposed.)**

Beer, wine and liquor licenses were discussed. Liquor license is \$150, beer is \$100, wine is \$100, one day beer license is \$10, and cigarette is \$20. **A motion to keep them the same was made by Jeff Toll with a second by C.J. Young. Motion passed. (5 in favor and none opposed.)**

Spent \$27,000 on fire protection to cover township, 7 calls to the township. Have money set aside for a firetruck. EMS; came to the town 30 times, we used our leftover grant money to pay for the operational shortfall, about \$11,000. There will be discussion later about raising the tax levy to cover next year's operational shortfall estimated to be \$31,000. We donated \$1000 to the Poy Sippi Library and \$1000 to the Berlin Library. No new houses were built in the township last year. No action taken.

The 2022 Annual meeting was set for the 3rd Tuesday in April. April 19, 2022, 6:30PM at the Town Hall. **C.J. Young made the motion to approve with a second from Jeff Toll. Motion passed. (5 in favor and none opposed.)**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:11 p.m. **after a motion by Jeff Toll and a second by Melissa Zamzow. Motion passed. (5 in favor and none opposed.)**

Katie Reinbold,
Town of Aurora Clerk

LIST OF ATTENDEES

C. J. Young
Andy Przybyl
Jeff Toll
Katie Reinbold
Melissa Zamzow