

**TOWN OF AURORA**  
**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
Thursday, November 14, 2024

The Aurora Town Board met at the town hall on Thursday, November 14, 2024, at 7:00 pm. Officers present were Chairman CJ Young, Supervisor I Jeff Toll, Supervisor II Andy Przybyl, Treasurer Melissa Zamzow, and Clerk Ann Mosling. Resident Tom Mosling was also in attendance.

Chairman Young called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm, and attendees recited “The Pledge of Allegiance.”

The Clerk verified that the meeting Agenda was posted on Tuesday, Nov 12<sup>th</sup> at these locations: 1) Town of Aurora website ([www.townaurora.com](http://www.townaurora.com)), 2) Town Hall board, and 3) Town board located at Midway Gas and Oil. **A motion was made by Jeff, and seconded by Andy, to change the order of Business items 8.1 and 8.2 to address the Snow bids as the first order of business, and then approve the agenda accordingly, and proceed with the meeting. Motion carried.**

**A motion was made by Andy, and seconded by Jeff, to approve the Minutes from the October 10, 2024 Regular Board Meeting enter them into the official record. Motion carried.**

**Officers’ Reports:**

**A) Treasurer’s Report:**

The checking account beginning balance for **October 2024** was \$192,271.68.

Deposits: \$18,974.57, including \$25.78 in earned interest

Payments: \$24,093.09, with one outstanding check totaling \$30.00

The month-end cash on-hand balance was \$187,123.16.

YTD Receipts: \$1,072,612.54

YTD Disbursements: \$1,460,782.74

**A motion was made by Andy, and seconded by Jeff, to approve the Treasurer’s reports. Motion carried.**

**B) Clerk:**

- Actual November receipts are very close to the budget, just missing the Charter Franchise deposit. Year-to-date income is \$1,560,786.03.
- November disbursements \$72,337.62 were over monthly budget, primarily due to: Hwy expenses, election expenses (extra inspectors for general election), roadside & lawn mowing salaries, SS, medicare and expenses (charged 1 month early), and the extra bill for Maverick to pump a resident’s holding tank. I was able to charge that Maverick bill of \$240 to resident’s real estate taxes through the county. YTD expenses are \$1,558,308.39, and we are currently -\$72,440.51 under budget.
- Aurora received from the WI DOR a “First Notice of Non-Compliance” after 4 consecutive years of non-compliance of meeting the requirement to have a total assessed property value of each major class between 90% and 110% of full value, which is defined as a property class that includes more than 10% of the full value of the taxation district. A second notice is issued after 5 years of non-compliance. After 6 years of non-compliance, DOR issues an Order for Supervised Assessment.
- 2024-2025 School District and State Levies have been received:

Waushara County	\$863,174.16	Moraine Park Technical College	\$90,545.31
Berlin School District	\$1,019,215.95	Fox Valley Technical College	\$79.03
Omro School District	\$934.67	DOR Town of Aurora Levy Limit	\$165,660
- 2025 Caucus: The terms of the town board positions are expiring soon. The Caucus is the method used by the town for nominating town board candidates to be placed on the Spring Election ballot. The Caucus is open to the public, but only qualified electors of the municipality may nominate and vote for candidates. A person is not required to be a registered voter in order to participate in the Caucus.
  - Each of the town board members stated they intend to run for re-election.

- The Aurora Caucus is scheduled for January 9, 2025 at 6:30pm. The regular monthly board meeting will directly follow the Caucus (approximately 7pm).

**C) Board  
Business:**

1. Late snow bids were received by Devin Petit and RTR Leasing, Inc D.B.A. Ripon Truck Repair, and reviewed. **A motion was made by Andy, and seconded by Jeff, to accept the bid from RTR Leasing for time and material, with a flat rate fee of \$120 per hour. Motion carried.**
2. **A motion was made by Andy, and seconded by CJ, to pass the responsibility for the collection of dog licenses to the County Clerk in the new Ascent software for the 2024 tax collections payable in 2025. Motion carried.**
3. Discussion of a stated response to be submitted to the WEC about the Audit Report of Aurora's Accessibility to Elections, which is due Jan 10, 2025. Ann will submit the response.
4. Changes were made to the proposed 2025 operating budget for the Town of Aurora, and a resolution was reached. **A motion was made by Andy, and seconded by Jeff, to accept the 2025 Budget and present it at the upcoming Public Budget Review meeting scheduled December 12, 2024 at 6:30pm at the Aurora Town Hall. Motion carried.**
5. Road report and any necessary decisions pertaining to maintenance and improvement.

Current projects:

- a. 36<sup>th</sup> Ct/Allen Chikowski – send signed contract drawn up by Nate Olson/Olson Legal Group to the County Zoning Dept
- b. Remove 15-17 trees/brush in the road right-of-way and close to power lines, on the property of Doug Lane/W135 Cumberland Ave; temporarily close the road to traffic while work is being done – **completed**

Future projects:

- Blacktop town hall parking lot and make curbs/sidewalk (requirement for WEC election audit report)
  - Next year's seal coating projects / crack fill before seal coating if we have the money:
    - E. Waushara – from Retzlaff's to top of the hill, approximately 1 mile
    - Side streets off of E. Waushara
    - 32<sup>nd</sup> Dr (road to Walmart): ditching, need quote on overlay, roadway sagging at culvert (culvert itself verified OK)
  - 37<sup>th</sup> Ave
  - Street signs north of State Rd 21
6. **A motion was made by Andy, and seconded by Jeff, to approve the scheduled payments. Motion carried.**

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Ann Mosling, Clerk