

TOWN OF AURORA
MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING
Wednesday, April 15, 2026

The Aurora Town Board met at the town hall on Wednesday, April 15, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. Officers present were Chairman CJ Young, Supervisor I Jeff Toll, Supervisor II Andy Przybyl, Treasurer Melissa Zamzow, and Clerk Ann Mosling.

The meeting was called to order at 6:01pm by the Chairman.

The Clerk verified the meeting Agenda was posted on Monday, April 13^h at these locations: 1) Town of Aurora website (www.townaurora.com), 2) Town Hall board, and 3) Town board located at Midway Gas and Oil.

The minutes from the 2025 annual meeting were approved after a **motion by CJ and a second by Jeff. Motion carried.** (5 in favor and none opposed.)

2025 FINANCIAL REPORT

The 2025 financial report was given by Clerk Mosling. Copies of the report were distributed to all persons present. The Income for 2025 totaled \$2,407,220.00, while the Expenses totaled \$1,697,064.86, producing an income of \$710,155.14. Of this income, \$607,727.77 was collected in December 2025 in the form of real estate taxes designated to be paid in January 2026, leaving the Town of Aurora with a net carryover of \$102,427.37 into 2026. The town had a total of \$877,448.27 available funds in its bank account on December 31, 2025. Of this amount, \$743,560.62 is real estate tax that was collected (in Dec'25 and Jan'26) to pay Aurora's January 2026 tax levies, the reserve firetruck fund was -\$488.74 after the firetruck chassis payment in July'25, and the remaining Miscellaneous funds include: town contingency funds \$15,000, reserve for computers \$3,000, and \$1,201.98 in outstanding checks not yet processed, leaving a balance of \$115,174.41 in undesignated funds. Major expenditures during 2025 included \$1,322,938.92 paid in school and county taxes, \$72,849.23 for highway repairs and improvements, \$62,651.00 for 2024-2025 EMS services, \$34,488.74 for the new firetruck's chassis, and \$32,898.45 for fire protection. **Andy Przybyl made a motion, seconded by CJ Young, to approve the 2025 financial report. Motion carried.** (5 in favor and 0 opposed.)

2025 ROAD REPORT

A detailed road report was provided by Chairman Young in the 2025 Newsletter. The 2025 highway budget was \$145,000 and included the following expenses: 1) \$40,000 on sand, salt, and snow plowing; 2) \$7,000 on new street signs, completing a four-year project to replace the faded signs in the township; 3) \$14,000 on tree removal along Cumberland Ave; 4) \$35,000 to blacktop ¼ mile on 31st Ave; 5) \$15,000 was spent on overlaying blacktop where culverts have created unsafe bumps in the road; 6) \$12,000 on road shoulder work along Cottonville Ct; and the remaining balance with spent on roadside mowing, pothole patching, and replacing broken-off stop signs. **Andy Przybyl made a motion, seconded by Jeff Toll, to approve the 2025 financial report. Motion carried.** (5 in favor and 0 opposed.)

DISCUSSION OF WAGES

1. Board Member Wages: The wages for board members were last updated in 2025 with an approximate 5% inflationary wage increase and will remain unchanged for 2026: **Chairman's and Treasurer's wages at \$6,300 p/yr, Supervisor's wage \$3,300 p/yr, and the Clerk's \$12,500 p/yr. Motion carried.** (5 in favor and 0 opposed.)
2. Election Inspector Wages: The wages for Election Inspectors and Chief Election Inspectors were last updated in 2023. **Jeff Toll made a motion, seconded by Andy Przybyl, to increase the rates for**

Election Inspector from \$12/hr to \$15/hr, and Chief Election Inspector from \$15/hr to \$17.50/hr. This is an inflationary rate increase to keep wages competitive. Motion carried. (5 in favor and 0 opposed.)

3. **Lawn Mowing Wages:** The wage rates for lawn mowing were last updated in 2023, and requires an inflationary increase for 2026. Vanda Lemke will continue lawn mowing duties in 2026. **Andy Przybly made a motion, seconded by Jeff Toll, to increase the rate for mowing the town hall and cemetery properties from \$20 p/hr to \$22 p/hr if using their own lawn mower, plus mileage to/from site, plus full reimbursement of expenses, or increase from \$15 p/hr to \$17 p/hr if using the town's lawn mower. Motion carried.** (5 in favor and 0 opposed.)
4. **Roadside Mowing Wage:** The wage rate for Roadside Mowing has not been updated for many years, and the town needs to offer a competitive wage to attract a new employee as Pete Kallas has declined to continue this position in 2026. Perry Paulson may be interested in the position if the current wage is increased. **Andy Przybly made a motion, seconded by Jeff Toll, to increase the rate for roadside mowing from \$12 p/hr to \$17 p/hr, plus mileage for parts pickup. Motion carried.** (5 in favor and 0 opposed.)
5. **Roadside Patching Wage:** The wage rate for roadside patching has remained unchanged at \$13.50/hr for many years, during which time the county has been providing this service for the town. **Andy Przybly made a motion, seconded by Jeff Toll, to increase the rate for roadside patching from \$13.50 p/hr to \$15 p/hr to keep it a competitive rate. The county will continue to provide roadside patching in 2026. Motion carried.** (5 in favor and 0 opposed.)

MILEAGE RATE

Ann Mosling identified the 2026 Standard Mileage Rate for Business published by the IRS and effective 1/1/2026 is 72.5 cents per mile. **Andy Przybyl made a motion, seconded by Tom Mosling, to use the IRS's standard mileage rate of 72.5 cents p/mile for 2026. Motion passed.** (5 in favor and none opposed.)

TOWN LEVY

A value for the town's 2026 tax levy is set by the Wisconsin Department of Revenue, which may only be increased by net new construction. Aurora's tax levy of \$166,151 was established during the budget process in December of 2025. **Andy Przybyl made a motion, seconded by Jeff Toll, to approve the 2026 Town of Aurora Tax Levy of \$166,151 without adjustment. Motion passed.** (5 in favor and none opposed.)

TOWN POSTING LOCATIONS

The town posting locations and required newspaper publications remain unchanged in 2026. Currently the clerk posts notices in three locations: 1) on the town board located at Midway Gas & Oil, 2) on the Town Hall board, and 3) on the Town website. Also, any required newspaper notices are being published in the Waushara Argus and/or Berlin Journal. **Andy Przybyl made a motion, seconded by Jeff Toll, to keep the current posting locations and any necessary newspaper notifications the same in 2026. Motion passed.** (4 in favor and 0 opposed.)

TOWN LICENSE RATES

Current town license rates are as follows: Liquor License \$150 p/yr, Beer License \$100 p/yr, Wine \$100 p/yr, Temp Class B Liquor License \$10 p/day, Operator's License \$50 p/2-year term, Cigarette License \$20 p/yr, and the Liquor License Publication Fee is the actual cost of publication (estimation \$40). **Andy Przybyl made a motion, seconded by Jeff Toll, to keep all town licenses the same rate in 2026. Motion passed.** (5 in favor and 0 opposed.)

TOWN HALL RENTAL FEE

The current town hall rental fee for: 1) Residents = \$100, which includes a refundable \$50 security deposit; 2) Non-residents = \$150, which includes a refundable \$50 security deposit; 3) 4H Groups \$50 p/yr, with no refundable security deposit. In 2025, a \$50 cleaning fee per occurrence was implemented for stains left on tables, chairs, or carpeting. Discussion included the overall cleanliness of the facility after usage, as well as cleanliness of the carpet and its associated cleaning costs. **CJ Young made a motion, seconded by Andy Przybyl, to keep the town hall rental fees the same for 2026. However, CJ and Andy will have an honest conversation with each of the 4H groups currently renting the facility about maintaining our requirement for an appropriate standard of cleanliness otherwise the \$50 cleaning fee will be implemented. Motion passed.** (5 in favor and none opposed.)

Reports for Fire Protection service, Ambulance service and Zoning were not available. No action taken.

YEARLY LIBRARY DONATIONS

The current donation rate to area libraries is \$1,250 p/yr, last updated in 2024. However, the actual 2024 donations given to each of the libraries was \$1,000. The board voted in December 2025 to increase the 2025 yearly donation to \$1,500 to each of the Berlin and PoySippi libraries to make up the shortfall from the 2024 donations. **Andy Przybyl made a motion, seconded by Jeff Toll, to increase the yearly library donation to each of the Berlin and PoySippi libraries supporting town residents and students from \$1,250 to \$1,500 in 2026. Motion passed.** (5 in favor and none opposed.)

The date for the 2027 Annual Meeting is set for Wednesday, April 14, 2027, at 6:00 p.m. in the Aurora Town Hall. This meeting will be directly followed by the April 2027 Regular monthly Board meeting, which is rescheduled from the usual 2nd Thursday of the month. **A motion was made by Andy Przybyl, and seconded by Jeff Toll. Motion passed.** (5 in favor and none opposed.)

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Ann Mosling,
Town of Aurora Clerk