

AURELIUS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, June 8, 2021
MINUTES

The Aurelius Township Board met in regular session on Tuesday, June 8, 2021, at 1939 S. Aurelius Rd., Mason, Ingham County, Michigan.

Board members attending: Ayres, Groh, Silsby, Malcangi and Waltz

Members Absent: None

Others Attending: D. Whiting, J. DeGroat, S. Trout, D. Bloomquist, one other.

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

Consent Agenda

Board Meeting Minutes of May 11, 2021 were reviewed for approval.

Expenses were reviewed for approval in the amount of \$33,588.03 covered by vouchers: Payroll Fund: Checks #17634 - #17649, and 1 EFT.

General Fund, Fire Fund, Street Light Fund: Checks#17650 - #17666.

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

Public Comment

None.

Unfinished Business

Member Groh requested addition of Covid 19 Update, Private Solar Ordinance, Set Back Ordinance, and Resolution 21-14 Pavilion Rental to unfinished business. Groh requested adding Edgar memorial equipment, NDS Painting bid, Exteriors of Lansing eaves trough cover bid, Johnson Signs bid and library maintenance to Board Reports. Motion made by Waltz to approve additions to agenda and was seconded by Member Ayres. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Member Silsby and seconded by Member Malcangi to move Capital Area District Library Annual Report to the top of agenda. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Member Malcangi and seconded by Member Waltz to begin reservations for hall and pavilion starting July 1, 2021, pending Michigan Department of Health and Human Services action. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Member Ayres reported receiving an additional Zoning Administrator application and no further Treasurer applications.

Member Silsby met with Building Inspectors to update building permits without board members. Board of Trustees had requested a special meeting to be set up with

inspectors to have input. Applications will be edited and state fees will be reviewed and compared.

Precision Plant citation for no special use permit was sent back to attorney for a correction.

VanAlstine court order is being prepared for property clean up.

No activity on sand mining issue has been observed.

A clean up letter was sent to property on Waverly Road. Yard has improved. Another letter will be sent recommending the items in the yard be contained to one area.

2407 Gale Road is still an issue. A stop work order has been issued due to not passing inspection. Owner will be coming in to discuss further with Silsby. Treasurer Groh stated back taxes are still unpaid. Silsby will discuss taxes with owner.

Other complaints received by Silsby included township grass needs to be whipped and grass seed hasn't been put on grave.

Matt Wood, Electrical Inspector permit update discussed and issues with returning calls.

New Business

Jennifer DeGroat, Aurelius Branch CADL Head Librarian, gave the annual library report and thanked the township for support. She also reported the library is partnering with the Greater Lansing Food Bank to hand out food packs to anyone in need.

Motion to approve Resolution 2021-13 to add Solar Plan Review fee for \$50 was made by Member Groh and seconded by Member Waltz. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Member Silsby received a bid of \$400 to remove tree in North Aurelius Cemetery that fell on stone. Silsby would like to have tree service remove dead tree at Hall. Member Ayres requested Silsby check with insurance to see if the charges for tree removal and resetting of stone would be covered. Motion made by Member Malcangi to approve bid and seconded by Member Waltz. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried. Member Groh requested Silsby get a bid for a dead maple tree in G. Droscha Park.

Motion made by Member Waltz to approve road repairs for Kingman Rd., Curtice Rd., and Bunker Rd. and chip seal and pave Toles Rd. between Edgar and College. Member Malcangi seconded motion. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Planning Commission has no scheduled meeting. They are expecting to review a draft private solar ordinance and a draft wood burning furnace. Member Silsby would like to have private roads removed from ordinance.

American Rescue Plan Act webinar information reviewed.

Motion made by Member Waltz and seconded by Member Malcangi to approve L4029 at .8200 allocated operating millage and .50 for voted fire millage. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Member Malcangi to approve Groh's letter to rescind resignation for the month of June and was seconded by Member Waltz. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Member Malcangi and seconded by Member Silsby to approve purchase of two vacuum cleaners. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

City of Mason Fire report from May was reviewed.

Motion made by Member Malcangi and Member Silsby to approve \$200 for Scarlett fire bill. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Member Silsby and seconded by Member Ayres to refer R. Stinson for collection action for fire bill. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Comcast correspondence reviewed.

Michigan Townships Association Principles of Governance was handed out for review.

Resolution to Charge Fee for Pavilion Use was reviewed. No motion made. Member Groh stated if no fee is charged for use of the park pavilion, then money from general fund should be set aside to repair and maintain pavilion and playground. Pavilion concrete and fascia need repair. Grill is leaning. Playground equipment needs repair or replacement.

Member Ayres reported Fiedler has been contacted for options for Columbia Creek pit toilet cleaning.

Motion made by Member Silsby and seconded by Member Waltz to approve budget amendments of \$500.

Board Reports

Clerk gave the Balance Sheet Report.

Treasurer Groh gave the cash report of \$794,789.40. John Way bid to install Edgar Memorial playground equipment for \$1,500.00 approved by motion from Member Waltz and seconded by Ayres. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Nick Smith painting bid of \$1,925.00 with 50% down approved by motion of Member Malcangi and seconded by Member Waltz. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Exteriors of Lansing bid for gutter guards of \$2,797 approved by motion of Member Silsby and seconded by Member Malcangi. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Johnson Sign bid of \$4,850 approved by motion of Member Waltz but failed for no support.

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Motion made by Member Malcangi to raise library utility rate to 33% and refuse and recycling to \$50 per month and was seconded by member Waltz. Vote: Ayes: Ayres, Groh, Malcangi, Silsby and Waltz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried. Groh will notify Scott Duimstra, CADL Executive Director.

Public Comment

David Whiting expressed need for outdoor wood burning ordinance.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Tracy Ayres, Clerk
Aurelius Township