

TOWN OF AURORA  
TOWN BOARD WORK SESSION  
June 25, 2018

The following members of the Aurora Town Board met on Monday, June 25, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. in the Southside Municipal Center Town Hall Auditorium, 300 Gleed Avenue, East Aurora, NY, for the purpose of holding a work session:

Present:	Susan A. Friess	Councilwoman
	Jeffrey T. Harris	Councilman
	Charles D. Snyder	Councilman
	Jolene M. Jeffe	Councilwoman
	James J. Bach	Supervisor

Others Present:	Ronald Bennett	Town Attorney
	William Kramer	Code Enforcement Officer
	David Gunner	Highway Superintendent
	Liz Cassidy	Building Clerk
	Tony Rosati	ZBA member

Supervisor Bach led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

1) 5 Star Equipment – Ellicott Road site plan amendment:

Don Aubrecht and William Heidt, Fontanese Folts Aubrecht Ernst Architects, presented a revised site plan for the 5 Star Equipment project on Ellicott Road. The original plan, which was approved by the Town Board, was to have numerous trees planted throughout the front portion of the property. Once site work began, they discovered that the property in some places had buried bricks up to 8 feet deep and very little top soil. (The site is a former brick making plant.) Instead of the trees being planted throughout the front area, they are requesting to group the same amount of trees on the west portion of the site, with wood chips for ground cover in that area. The remainder of the site would be seeded with a mix of native grasses that would be mowed several times each year. This will be on the 6/25/18 Town Board meeting agenda.

2) Cook Road – Open Development Area (ODA) application:

Jim Bammel, Bammel Architects, representing the Corigliano family, spoke to the Board about the ODA application for property on Cook Road. There are currently three lots at the location. It is the intent of the owner to merge the three, and then split the merged parcel into two parcels, one a legal building lot and the other an ODA lot and to build a residence on each lot. The ODA lot does not have the required acreage, lot width and side yard setback.

Councilman Snyder stated he does not see any hardships for the variance requests.

Supervisor Bach stated that the ODA code was created to protect the rural character of the neighborhood and protect the neighboring properties. Mr. Bach noted that several letters and petitions were received by the Board objecting to the ODA and the requested variances.

Councilwoman Friess stated she feels the variance for acreage size is too great.

Supervisor Bach stated this would not be voted on tonight. The Board will review it further and put it on the July 9, 2018 agenda for some level of consideration. (Note: the petitioner withdrew this ODA application on 6/26/18.)

3) Fireworks Permit Application – 75 Davis Road:

Skylighters of New York, LLC, submitted an application for a fireworks display at 75 Davis Road on Saturday, June 30, 2016 between the hours of 9:30pm and 10:30pm. Proof of insurance and siting of the fallout zone were provided. This will be on the 6/25/18 Town Board meeting agenda.

4) Fireworks Contract Amendment – July 3<sup>rd</sup> Display at Hamlin Park:

Donations for the July 3<sup>rd</sup> fireworks display at Hamlin Park have exceeded expectations and the Board discussed adding an additional \$3,000 to the contract, from \$9,200 to \$12,200, especially since the Town is observing its Bicentennial. This will be on the 6/25/18 Town Board meeting agenda.

5) Temporary Use Permit – Knox Farm State Park:

Mike Wolff and Lynn Broderick of Up and Over Dog Sports have submitted an application for a temporary use permit to hold a Dog Agility Trial from August 2-5, 2018, at the Equestrian area of the park on the south side of Knox Road. This is the fourth or fifth year for the event. Proof of insurance was received. This will be on the 6/25/18 Town Board meeting agenda.

6) Temporary Use Permit – JP Nicely West Falls Park:

John Roden, on behalf of the WNY Cyclocross Club, submitted an application for a temporary use permit to hold a bike race (cyclocross) at JP Nicely West Falls Park on Sunday, September 30, 2018. This will be on the 6/25/18 Town Board meeting agenda.

7) Equipment Bonding:

At an earlier work session, the Board and Highway Superintendent Gunner discussed equipment that Mr. Gunner wants to purchase. Supervisor Bach stated he spoke with Jeff Smith from Municipal Solutions who noted this is a good time to bond and suggested a 5-year bond. Mr. Gunner stated the life expectancy of the equipment is ten or more years. The equipment being considered is:

- ODB Model LCT650 leaf vacuum \$38,639.75
- Toro Model Groundsmaster 4000-D 11' gull wing mower \$64,403.90
- Kubota Model L6060HSTC Turf Tire Tractor \$36,660.69
- Land Pride Model LP2020 14' gull wing tow behind mower \$16,234.17

Mr. Gunner stated that the leaf vacuum and 11' gull wing mower are needed most. The purchase of the other two items could wait a year or two.

Councilwoman Jeffe suggested asking Mr. Smith if the bond could be for 10 years and for amortization schedules for the A and SR funds.

Martha L. Librock, Town Clerk