

TOWN OF AURORA  
TOWN BOARD WORK SESSION  
November 21, 2017

The following members of the Aurora Town Board met on Tuesday, November 21, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Southside Municipal Center Town Hall Auditorium, 300 Glead Avenue, East Aurora, NY, for the purpose of holding a work session:

Present:	Jeffrey T. Harris	Councilman
	Susan A. Friess	Councilwoman
	Jolene M. Jeffe	Councilwoman
	Charles D. Snyder	Councilman
	James J. Bach	Supervisor
Others Present:	Ronald Bennett	Town Attorney
	Camie Jarrell	GHD/Engineer
	William Kramer	Code Enforcement Officer
	Kathleen Moffat	Asst. to Supervisor/Bookkeeper
	David Gunner	Highway Superintendent
	Tony Rosati	ZBA Member

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

1) 3+1 update; Investment Policy:

Kathleen Moffat presented a model investment policy from the NY State Comptroller's office for the Board to review. If acceptable, the policy will be adopted at the organizational meeting in January 2018. Ms. Moffat noted that the Town's current investment policy is one paragraph.

Ms. Moffat reviewed the results of 3+1's liquidity analysis of the Town's finances.

2) 2018 Budget discrepancy – garbage unit count:

Kathleen Moffat stated that the unit count for refuse collection in the 2018 Budget does not match the number in the RPS file that was submitted to the County by the Assessor's office. In order for the correct information to appear on the 2018 Town/County tax bills, the unit count needs to be amended.

Councilwoman Friess moved to amend the unit count for the refuse district in the 2018 Budget from 3,124 to 3,129, which will change the tax rate from \$188.45 to \$188.15 per unit. Councilwoman Jeffe seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – five      noes – none	Action #387 Garbage unit count in 2018 budget amended
Motion carried.	

3) Veterans Exemption – change to Local Law:

In a memo to the Town Board, Assessor Richard Dean is requesting that the Town Board amend Local Law 4 of 2015 by eliminating the 10-year term from Section 101-13-c of the law. In September 2017, Governor Cuomo signed Ch.290, modifying RPTL §458b allowing for the removal of the 10 year term placed on the Cold War Veterans Exemption for tax purposes.

4) Special Use Permit – 188 Ellicott Road: Newton Concrete, Inc.:

Daniel Cirasunda as agent for Newton Concrete, Inc., submitted an application for a special use permit to construct a pole barn style building at 188 Ellicott Road, PO Orchard Park, Town of Aurora. The property is zoned I (Industrial) and according to Town Code, any development in an I district requires a special use permit. They plan to use the building for parking and equipment storage for Newton Concrete. The proposed building is 40' by 60' (2400 sf). Hours of operation will be 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday thru Saturday. The building is proposed to be built 80 feet from the front lot line; 80 feet from the rear lot line; 60 feet from the Bush Road easement line and 229 feet from the east side lot line.

5) Open Development Area: 1049 Willardshire Road:

Jerry Biles, owner of 1049 Willardshire Road, PO Orchard Park, Town of Aurora, submitted an application for an Open Development Area for that parcel. The Zoning Board of Appeals already granted a 20 foot variance for the width of the ingress/egress easement. 50 feet is required and the actual width is 30 feet. The planned location of the proposed residence has the required front, side and rear yard setbacks.

6) Highway – request to purchase truck:

Highway Superintendent David Gunner is requesting Board approval to purchase a 2018 Kenworth T370 truck (cab and chassis) with a Peterson TL-3 grapple loader body. The purchase will be made off Onondaga County bid no. 7974. The cost of the truck and grapple is \$134,542 (\$69,606.00 cab/chassis; \$64,936.00 grapple body) will be disbursed from 2018 budget line DB5130.217.

7) Dog Census:

In a memo to the Town Board, Dog Control Officer Sheryl Harris is requesting to perform a dog census in the Village and Town beginning in January 2018. Town Clerk Martha Librock expressed her concern about the timing of the census, noting that it would coincide with town/county tax collection, other beginning of the year work and the last census was done in 2016, but licensing follow-up ended in Spring of 2017. Highway Superintendent Gunner stated that they would only be doing the Town or Village in 2018, not both. Mr. Gunner suggested that Mrs. Harris and Mrs. Librock get together to discuss when a good time would be to conduct a census.

8) US Census/LUCA:

The Board discussed the LUCA census program and noted that the Town should register to participate.

9) Grant Writer Contract:

Highway Superintendent David Gunner would like to engage the services of Ann McDonnell Miller to compile and submit a grant application to the NYSDEC for reimbursement of recycling expenses.

Martha L. Librock  
Town Clerk