

TOWN OF AURORA  
TOWN BOARD WORK SESSION  
September 17, 2013

The following members of the Aurora Town Board met on Tuesday, September 17, 2013 at 3:00 p.m. in the Southside Municipal Center Town Hall Auditorium, 300 Glead Avenue, East Aurora, NY, for the purpose of holding a Budget review work session.

Present:	Jeffrey T. Harris	Councilman
	James J. Bach	Councilman
	Jolene M. Jeffe	Supervisor
	Susan A. Friess	Councilwoman
	James F. Collins	Councilman

Supervisor Jeffe opened the work session at 3:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Those present met to review and discuss the Town's 2014 proposed budget. Highlights of the session were:

- Minimum wage will increase from \$7.25 to \$8.00 in 2014; \$8.00 to \$8.75 in 2015; and \$8.75 to \$9.00 in 2016
- Taxable valuation is up due to several PILOT's ending
- The Police Contract payment for 2012-13 is approximately \$22,000 less than 2011-12

The Board adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

The following members of the Board reconvened at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of holding a work session:

Present:	Jeffrey T. Harris	Councilman
	James J. Bach	Councilman
	Jolene M. Jeffe	Supervisor
	Susan A. Friess	Councilwoman
	James F. Collins	Councilman
Others Present:	Ronald Bennett	Town Attorney
	Bryan Smith	Town Engineer
	Patrick Blizniak	Superintendent of Building

1) Community Development Block Grants:

Supervisor Jeffe noted that Donna Bodekor is working with the Town's grant writer to present a CDBG grant application for updates to the Senior Center and an emergency generator for the Center. A public hearing date will be set at the next Town Board meeting.

2) Erie County Water Authority (ECWA) – Water tank by-pass:

The Erie County Water Authority has an inspection of Water District 18's Townline water tank planned for the spring of 2014. In order for the tank to be inspected it needs to be drained, therefore a permanent bypass water line is needed at the Townline tank in order for residents to receive uninterrupted water service. The ECWA is proposing to perform the necessary piping modifications and will bill the Town for the actual installed cost of the improvement, estimated to be \$19,000.00. Attorney Bennett will prepare a resolution authorizing the ECWA to perform the work and authorizing the expenditure of the cost of the by-pass line from Water District 18 fund balance.

3) Out-of-District-Water Customer Agreement:

At a previous work session the Board discussed the wording of the out-of-district water customer agreements and the need for more concrete wording as to how to deal with out-of-district customers who do not pay their (debt service) bills on time. Attorney Bennett drafted a local law amending the current local law by adding - the Erie County Water Authority may cut off water supply if water charges are not paid within 60 days of the date due. Mr. Bennett also provided a resolution requesting an amendment to the lease management agreement with the

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Erie County Water Authority whereby the Town could request the Authority to shut of water service to customers who do not pay their debt service bills on time.

4) WNY Southtowns Scenic Byway Committee (WNYSSB):

The WNYSSB is forming an Advisory Committee to be made up of one delegate from Erie County and each of the 5 towns and 3 villages along the Byway. The Town Board is being asked to nominate one person to sit on the committee. Supervisor Jeffe stated she will let Nancy Smith (Open Space Committee) and Gary Grote (EA Chamber of Commerce) know about this to see if they or someone from their group would like to be on the committee.

5) Highway Maintenance Clerk:

Highway Superintendent David Gunner sent a memo to the Board requesting that E. Deveso's title be changed from Clerk Part-time to Highway Maintenance Clerk (a Civil Service position). Since Mr. Gunner could not be at this work session, discussion will be tabled until the October 2013 work session.

6) HVAC Balancing:

Three quotes were received for balancing the air distribution on the second floor at the Southside Municipal Center in the Windham office area. The two lowest quotes, American Air Balance Co. and AD&M did not meet specs. John W. Danforth Company's proposal met and/or exceeded specs. Their quote was for \$3,100.

The Board discussed an amendment to Windham's lease whereby the Town will pay for the initial balancing, but if subsequent re-balancing is required, those costs will be the responsibility of the Lessee (Windham).

7) Winter Floor Mats for Southside Municipal Center:

Quotes for fourteen (14) winter entrance floor mats were received from:

Dobmeier Janitorial Supply	\$2299.79
Lab Safety Supply	\$2859.00
Grainger	\$3631.65

Earlier this year the Town purchased summer floor mats that are being used in Town offices and other areas of the building. Councilman Harris stated he would talk to Pat Blizniak and Dan Hochadel about this.

Martha L. Librock  
Town Clerk