

TOWN OF AURORA  
TOWN BOARD WORK SESSION  
May 17, 2016

The following members of the Aurora Town Board met on Tuesday, May 17, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. in the Southside Municipal Center Town Hall Auditorium, 300 Gleed Avenue, East Aurora, NY, to discuss changes to the subdivision code, followed at 7:00 p.m. by the regular work session:

Present:	Susan A. Friess	Councilwoman/Deputy Supervisor
	Charles D. Snyder	Councilman
	Jeffrey T. Harris	Councilman
	Jolene M. Jeffe	Councilwoman
Absent/Excused:	James J. Bach	Supervisor
Others Present:	Ronald P. Bennett	Town Attorney
	William Kramer	Code Enforcement Officer
	Patrick Blizniak	Superintendent of Building
	William Wheeler	GHD/Engineer

5:30 p.m. Code Review

The Board reviewed the Town Subdivision Code noting that they want to incorporate the Open Development Area code into the Subdivision Code as Article VI. The Board discussed procedures on when, who, and how residents would be notified of development proposals that have been submitted to the Town for review. They will continue to review and revamp the code.

7:00 p.m. Work Session

1) Majors Park – Eagle Scout Project proposal:

Ian Russ, a Boy Scout in Troop 599, presented a proposal to the Board asking for permission to erect an eagle nest and viewing area with benches at Majors Park as his Eagle Scout project. He noted that an eagle has been seen in the area. Ian stated that the platform and nest would be placed approximately 50' off the ground in a tree near Cazenovia Creek. He noted that they would rent a lift and his scoutmaster would use it to place the platform and nest in the tree. Ian said there would be one or two benches placed on the hill near the park entrance for a viewing area. The Board stated that Ian will need to provide 1) a map of Majors Park showing where the nest will be placed and where the benches will be placed; 2) a written plan detailing the project; and 3) plans/drawings of the benches indicating their size, materials and how they will be secured to the ground. The Board liked the idea, but stated they could not make formal approval until they received the items listed above. Proof of insurance naming the Town of Aurora as additional insured is required before the project can begin.

2) Aurora Mills Cluster Subdivision – update:

Gary Eckis spoke to the Board about what has transpired since sketch plan approval was received for the proposed subdivision:

- A full traffic study was performed and is currently with the NYSDOT and Erie County
- Pan American archaeological study was completed and sent to SHPPO
- Earth Dimensions performed soil testing
- Wetlands proposal was completed and they are waiting for a permit
- Erie County Sewer Authority placed flow meters in the sewer line in three locations – they need to be in place for 30 days plus a ½ inch rain event
- Survey is completed
- Topographical map is being worked on

Mr. Eckis noted that they are researching unit designs. They plan to submit the preliminary plat application/documents on June 20, 2016 with the intention of being put on the July 11, 2016 Town Board meeting agenda.

3) Highway – Salt Brine Plant:

At the request of Highway Superintendent Gunner, this agenda item was tabled and will be discussed at a future work session.

4) Bulk Storage Tank - Insurance:

The Board discussed insurance coverage for the in-ground fuel storage tanks at the Highway garage. The quote for 2016-2017 coverage is \$1,000. The current policy will be reviewed and a decision made at the next Town Board meeting.

Martha Librock  
Town Clerk