

TOWN OF AURORA
TOWN BOARD WORK SESSION
March 12, 2018

The following members of the Aurora Town Board met on Monday, March 12, 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:

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| Present: | Susan A. Friess | Councilwoman |
| | Jolene M. Jeffe | Councilwoman |
| | Charles D. Snyder | Councilman |
| | James J. Bach | Supervisor |
| Absent/Excused: | Jeffrey T. Harris | Councilman |
| Others Present: | William Kramer | Code Enforcement Officer |
| | Donald Owens | Planning Board Chairman |

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

1) Town of Aurora Investment Policy:

Garrett Macdonald and Alex Derosa from Three+One Advisors reviewed the Town's proposed investment policy with the Board. The Town's current policy covers the basic elements of an investment policy, but does not have the detail prescribed by the NY State Comptroller. The proposed policy includes guidelines set by the NYS Comptroller. Mr. Macdonald suggested that the Town Board review the policy annually to see that it contains any updates recommended by the NYS Comptroller.

2) Municipal Solutions Contracts:

The Board reviewed the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (MSRB) Continuing Disclosure Update/EMMA Filings Contract and the General Financial Services Contract from Municipal Solutions, Inc. Under the contracts, Municipal Solutions assists the Town with Continuing Disclosure filings and general financial services, including BAN and Bond borrowing. Both contracts are for a period of two (2) years from the date of issuance.

3) Bid Documents - 559 Oakwood Demolition:

Bid documents were prepared for the demolition of the house and garage at 559 Oakwood Ave. A bid opening is proposed for Thursday, April 5, 2018 at 10:00am in the Town Clerk's office. Bid documents will be available from the Town Clerk's office. If a contractor wants the bid documents mailed to them, they need to send a \$20 mailing fee to the Town.

4) Pioneer Cemetery:

The Town owns and is responsible for the Pioneer Cemetery on Oakwood Ave. (near Olean). A request to place a granite headstone on one of the plots was received by the Town Clerk. The Town does not have a policy regarding burials, headstones, etc., for this cemetery. The Board was given a sample policy from another town and asked to review it to see if anything could be used to develop a policy for Aurora.

5) Invasive Plant Species – Japanese Stilt Grass:

On March 7, 2018, the Planning Board met with a representative from WNY Partnership for Regional Invasive Species Management (WNYPRISM). Planning Board Chairman Don Owens explained to the Town Board that Japanese Stilt Grass has been found in Majors Park and

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in the Oakwood Cemetery. WNYPRISM would like to mail postcards to residents in key areas of the Town asking them to look for the Stilt Grass and notify WNYPRISM so they can take measures to eliminate the grass. The cost of printing the postcards is \$409. WNYPRISM will pay the postage. The Board discussed where payment would come from and felt that it should come out of budget line A1670.403 Printing and Advertising, which has a balance of \$1,225.83.

6) Library Windows:

Supervisor Bach stated that Library Director Rob Alessi spoke to him about applying for a grant to replace the windows at the Aurora Town Library. Mr. Bach noted that the Town would have to have an asbestos study done. Mr. Bach and Councilman Snyder will follow-up on this.

7) Baseball League Fund Raising:

Supervisor Bach was approached by a representative of the Aurora Baseball League who is asking for approval to run a 50/50 drawing in Hamlin Park during the Independence Day festivities on July 3rd. East Aurora Village code does not allow gambling in any Village parks (Hamlin Park is owned by the Village). Mr. Bach will inform the Baseball League representative of this law

Martha L. Librock
Town Clerk