

TOWN OF AURORA
TOWN BOARD WORK SESSION
August 13, 2018

The following members of the Aurora Town Board met on Monday, August 13, 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
	James J. Bach	Supervisor
Absent/Excused:	Jolene M. Jeffe	Councilwoman
Others Present:	Ronald Bennett	Town Attorney
	William Kramer	Code Enforcement Officer
	Camie Jarrell	GHD/Engineer
	Tony Rosati	ZBA member

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

1) Legacy Polo Grounds – Walkway amendment request:

At the July 9, 2018 work session the Board heard from Polo Grounds Developer Frank Chinnici and residents of the Polo Grounds development about moving the northerly location of the walkway shown on the approved final plat from between housing units 25 and 26 to between units 26 and 27. Since that work session the Board members visited the site.

Councilman Snyder stated that this walkway has been on the plan since original approval and he does not feel that moving it would be the best way to go. The developer knew where the walkway was located on the approved plan.

Councilwoman Friess stated she understands that the area where the end of the walkway is being proposed is shared ground, but ending the walkway into a driveway is a safety issue with cars backing out of the garages onto the driveway and people walking along that driveway at the same time.

Councilman Harris noted that he looked at the site and feels the walkway location should be left as approved on the plan.

Supervisor Bach stated he sides with the homeowner who was told where the walkway was originally going and not at the end of her driveway.

Councilwoman Friess moved to adopt the following resolution; seconded by Councilman Snyder:

Whereas, the final plat for the Legacy Polo Grounds, LLC subdivision was approved by the Aurora Town Board on April 9, 2007; and

Whereas, a walking pathway is to be constructed on the property as part of the final plat approval; and

Whereas, the pathway will begin at the northerly end of Cheval Road and will connect to the remainder of the subdivision ending between units 25 and 26 according to the approved plat plan; and

Whereas, in July 2018 the Town Board was presented with a request and plan to relocate the northerly end of the path from the area between units 25 and 26 to between units 26 and 27 due to the grade of the land.

Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that after consideration of the request to relocate the northerly end of the walking path, the Town Board denies the request and proposal to relocate the walking path at the Polo Grounds Subdivision development from the original plan approved on April 9, 2007.

Action #213
Polo Grounds
walking path
relocation
proposal denied

Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

2) Site Plan Review – SBL#175.06-3-8 Quaker Road parking lot expansion:

Jim Gannon of Scheid Architectural on behalf of WH Greene & Associates, 400 Quaker Road, East Aurora, presented a site plan review application to the Building Department in July 2018. The documents were forwarded to the Planning Board who reviewed the site plan at their August 2, 2018 meeting. The Planning Board voted to recommend approval of the site plan proposal. The Town also received a letter from Village DPW Superintendent Matt Hoeh stating he has no issues with the proposed stormwater drainage plan connecting to the line on Commerce Way. The Board will put this on tonight's agenda and review SEQR for the project.

3) Special Use Permit – Tanning business at 414 Olean Road:

Adam Weimer of T & A Tanning submitted an application for a Special Use Permit for his tanning business at 414 Olean. The business was formerly known as Total Tan and was located on Grey Street in East Aurora. They have moved into one of the storefronts in the plaza owned by Dr. Michael Keem. This will be put on tonight's agenda.

4) Special Use Permit – Private RV Park/Campground at 686 Quaker Road:

Greg Schneider presented an application for a private, four-site RV park/campground on his property at 686 Quaker Road. Mr. Schneider stated the campground would be seasonal, open from May 1 to October 31. Use of the campground would be membership based/invitation only. He stated that there is a road already, along with internet; the ability to connect sanitary into his existing septic system; nature trail; fills a market niche. He does not propose on-site off-season parking of RV's. Supervisor Bach suggested this be put on the agenda to refer to the Planning Board.

5) Open Development Area – 640 Jewett Holmwood Road:

Marsha Orfeo, 650 Jewett Holmwood Road, spoke to the Board about her thoughts of dividing her property at 640 Jewett Holmwood Road. She noted there are two driveways now that are used – one for ingress and one for egress. Several variances would be required. Mr. Kramer stated that Mrs. Orfeo was here tonight to get a feel for what the Board might accept. Supervisor Bach stated that Mrs. Orfeo would need to submit a formal application with a more detailed plot plan before any decisions could be made.

6) Historic Marker installation – Griffins Mills Presbyterian Church, Mill Road:

Alan Davis, representing the Griffins Mills Presbyterian Church, stated that the Church had received a historic marker documenting a significant occasion in Griffins Mills. He is requesting that the Town Board approve having town personnel install the marker on the Church's property just outside of the right-of-way. This will be put on tonight's agenda.

7) Senior Citizen Exemption – base amount:

The Board asked Attorney Bennett to prepare a local law amending the current local law to adjust the base amounts for Senior Citizen Exemptions.