

**Village of Aurora Board of Trustees December 16, 2020 Minutes**

The meeting was held via Zoom due to the pandemic at 6:00 p.m.

**Present:** Mayor Bonnie Bennett, Trustees Grace Bates (6:02), Matt Bianconi, Thea Miller and Janet Murphy

**Others Present:** Village Clerk Ann Balloni

**Call to Order:** Mayor Bennett called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Changes to the Agenda:** Resolution #20-33 is added under New Business

**Approval of Minutes:** On motion by Trustee Bianconi, seconded by Trustee Murphy, the Village Board voted to approve the November 16, 2020 minutes

AYES: Bennett, Bianconi, Miller, and Murphy

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Bates

Motion carried unanimously.

**Announcements**

**Mayor:** Mayor Bennett gave a summary of the New York Conference of Mayors (NYCOM) legislative update.

**Clerk:** Ms. Balloni announced that the fire department is chauffeuring Santa down Main St at 4:00 on Christmas Eve.

**Treasurer's Report:** On motion by Trustee Bates, seconded by Trustee Miller, the Village Board voted to accept the October and November Treasurer's Reports.

AYES: Bennett, Bates, Bianconi, Miller, and Murphy

NAYS: None

Motion carried unanimously.

**Budget Modifications**

**GENERAL FUND**

\$ 1,619.00	FROM	A1990.4 Contingent Account
	TO	A5110.21 Street Maintenance - Sidewalks

On motion by Trustee Murphy, seconded by Trustee Bianconi, the Village Board voted to accept the Budget Modifications in the General Fund.

AYES: Bennett, Bates, Bianconi, Miller, and Murphy

NAYS: None

Motion carried unanimously.



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NAYS: None  
Motion carried unanimously.

### **Reports**

**Code Officer:** Mayor Bennett noted that Officer Doyle's last day in the office was November 30, though he will continue to consult with Officer Greer through December.

**Historian** (see attached): Dr. Schwab reported on recent queries, displays, committee work, and recent correspondence. Dr. Schwab also noted the opening of Patrick Tavern as a community space thanks to a generous grant from the Pleasant Rowland Foundation. The space was occupied as a Farmers Market on Tuesday afternoons through December 22.

**Miscellaneous:** Trustee Bates submitted a report (attached) on the Cayuga Lake Watershed Intra-Municipal Organization (IO) November 16, 2020 meeting.

### **Old Business**

**Cayuga County Water & Sewer Authority Water Plant Project:** Mayor Bennett reported that the referendum for the proposed water plant in the southern end of the county is on hold due to the Covid-19 Pandemic.

### **New Business**

#### **VB Resolution #20-33: To Request a No-Cost Extension of the Grant from the Park Foundation for the Cayuga Lake Watershed Intra-Municipal Organization (IO) Reassessment**

**WHEREAS:** work on the IO organizational reassessment was delayed as due to the challenges and workplace changes brought about by Covid-19; and

**WHEREAS:** as the parties have adjusted, the IO is once again on track and are confident the project will be completed, and a final report filed by September 30, 2021.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Village of Aurora Board of Trustees request a no-cost extension of the IO organizational reassessment through September 30, 2021.

FIRST: Mayor Bennett

SECOND: Trustee Bates

AYES: Bennett, Bates, Bianconi, Miller, and Murphy

NAYS: None

Carried unanimously.

**Traffic on Sherwood Road:** Trustee Bates questioned how to request an extension of the 30-mph speed limit, east of the Village boundary to include the Inns of Aurora Spa property. Mayor Bennett explained that Sherwood Road is a county road and residents of Sherwood Road could submit a request to the Cayuga County Highway Department.

**Adjournment:** On motion by Trustee Murphy, seconded by Trustee Bates, the Village Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 pm.

AYES: Bennett, Bates, Bianconi, Miller, and Murphy

NAYS: None

Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Balloni  
Village Clerk