

Village of Aurora Board of Trustees June 28, 2023 Special Meeting Minutes

The meeting was held at the Aurora Firehouse Meeting Room at 4:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor James Orman, Trustees Matt Bianconi (videoconference), L. John Miller, Janet Murphy, and Frank Zimdahl

Others Present: Village Clerk Ann Balloni
See attached list of attendees

Call to Order: Mayor Orman called the special meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and all rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Right of First Refusal

Mayor Orman introduced the discussion by noting that the Village relinquishing the Right of First Refusal for the former railroad property west of McGorden House is the first step toward receiving a public easement for access to a potential village park.

Trustee Miller clarified that the Village is trading the Right of First Refusal on that property in exchange for a permanent pedestrian easement as a “bridge” to a possible park. Trustee Miller added that the Board deliberation is whether the exchange is worth it or should the Village consider purchasing it.

Trustee Zimdahl clarified that the easement parcel extends to the potential park and Mayor Orman confirmed that it does. Mayor Orman noted that the 300’ easement parcel is “undevelopable” and having two new houses is good for the village tax base.

On motion by Trustee Zimdahl, seconded by Trustee Murphy, the Village Board voted to authorize Mayor Orman to sign the “Partial Release of Right of First Refusal” (attached) submitted by Harris Beach PLLC on behalf of the Aurora Route 90 Group, LLC.

AYES: Bianconi, Miller, Murphy, Orman, and Zimdahl

NAYS: None

Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment: On motion by Trustee Murphy, seconded by Trustee Zimdahl, the Village Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 4:15 p.m.

AYES: Bianconi, Miller, Murphy, Orman, and Zimdahl

NAYS: None

Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Balloni
Village Clerk