

August 25, 2025

A meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Aurora took place on Monday, August 25, 2025, beginning at 6:30 p.m. The Board met in-person at the Aurora Municipal Center, 575 Oakwood Avenue, East Aurora, New York. The meeting was streamed via YouTube.

Present:	Luke Wochensky	Councilman
	Joseph McCann	Councilman
	Raymond M. Wrazen	Councilman
	Charles D. Snyder	Supervisor
Others Present:	Brigid Maloney	Town Attorney
	Elizabeth Cassidy	Code Enforcement Officer
	David Gunner	Highway Superintendent
	Chris Musshafen	Recreation/Aquatics Director
	Doug Crow	Planning Board Chairman
	Patrick Welch	Chief of Police

Supervisor Snyder opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The first item on the agenda was a Public Hearing on the application for a Special Use Permit from Robert and Rachel Weiner for a dog grooming, daycare, boarding and training facility at 691 Olean Road, East Aurora. The Supervisor opened the hearing at 6:30 p.m. and asked if anyone wished to comment on the application.

Robert and Rachel Weiner, applicants, stated that they currently have two locations – East Aurora Pet Boutique for grooming and dog day care since 2020 and R&R dog training since 2016. They want to combine the locations and add boarding to their offerings. Robert stated they have over 15 years of dog training experience, including K-9 and security dog training, but not attack dogs. They will have about six employees at the new location. The kennels will be indoors and there will be an outdoor run. The last out for the dogs would be 7:00 or 8:00 p.m. and the first out of the day around 7:00 or 8:00 a.m. The dogs boarding overnight would be alone from around 10:00 pm to 7:00 a.m. Robert stated he as a monitoring system that would let them know if there are any problems at the location.

Hearing no further comments, the Supervisor closed the hearing at 6:38 p.m.

Councilman McCann moved to approve the consent agenda including the August 11, 2025 Town Board meeting minutes and the August 25, 2025 Abstract of Claims, consisting of vouchers 1131 to 1199, to be paid from the following funds:

General	\$ 75,494.19
Part Town	161.58
Highway/DB	194,949.87
Capital H7	41,420.00
Trust & Agency	284.86
Special Districts	<u>\$ 250,416.69</u>
Grand Total Abstract	\$ 562,727.19

Action #272
8/11 Twn
Brd minutes
& 8/25
abstract
aprvd

Councilman Wochensky seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken:
ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

AUDIENCE I: none

Supervisor Snyder asked that two items be added to the agenda. Councilman Wrazen moved to amend the agenda by adding items 5A – set public hearing for 400 Quaker site plan; and 6G – refer ODA application for 761 Quaker to the Planning Board. Councilman McCann seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes - none
Motion carried.

Action #273
Items 5A -
set public hrg
and 6G –
refer ODA to
Planning Brd
added to
agenda

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Councilman McCann moved to set September 8, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. at the Aurora Municipal Center, 575 Oakwood Ave., E. Aurora, as the date, time and place to hold a public hearing on a site plan application for 400 Quaker Road, E. Aurora, NY. Councilman Wrazen seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

Action #274
Public hrg set
for 400
Quaker site
plan

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilman Wochensky moved to approve payment no. 1 to Oakgrove Construction, Inc., 6900 Seneca Street, PO Box 103, Elma, NY, in the amount of \$41,420.00 for construction services rendered from 7/15 – 7/31/2025 for the Church Street/East Fillmore bridge replacement project. Funds will be disbursed from H7 5120.230. Councilman Wrazen seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

Action #275
Pymt 1 to
Oakgrove for
Church & E.
Fillmore
bridge
project aprvd

Councilman McCann moved to authorize the Supervisor to sign the Automated Clearing House (ACH) agreement with the Bank of Holland to increase the Town's ACH limit from \$80,000 to \$100,000. Councilman Wochensky seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

Action #276
Supv auth to
sign ACH
amount
increase

Councilman Wrazen moved to promote Hans Ingelfinger from Union Laborer to Truck Driver effective November 22, 2025 (after end of probationary period) at an hourly rate of \$25.44. Councilman Wochensky seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

Action #277
Hans
Ingelfinder
promotion t
truck driver
aprvd

Councilman Wochensky moved to approve the request from Highway Superintendent Gunner to attend the CONEXPO-CON/AGG equipment show in Las Vegas, Nevada from March 3 – 7, 2026. The early bird registration fee of \$289 and the hotel cost of \$407.70, will be disbursed from A5010.404 Highway expense and travel, contingent upon funding and adoption of the 2026 budget. Mr. Gunner will not request reimbursement for airfare. Councilman Wrazen seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

Action #278
D. Gunner to
attend expo
in Las Vegas,
NV
contingent on
2026 budget
adoption

Councilman McCann moved to approve the purchase of a new Caterpillar model 303.5 Mini Excavator from the NYS Government Contract list (Southworth-Milton, seller) for \$66,608.00. Funds will be disbursed from 2026 budget line DB5130.217, contingent upon funding and adoption of the 2026 budget. Councilman Wrazen seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

Action #279
Purch of mini
excavator
aprvd
contingent on
2026 budget
adoption

Councilman McCann moved to approve the proposal from Fontanese, Folts, Aubrecht, Ernst Architects (FFAE) to provide landscaping design, bid documents and bid administration in an amount not to exceed \$4,800.00, for landscaping at the Aurora Municipal Center. Councilman Wochensky seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none Motion carried.

Action #280
FFAE
landscape
design
services
proposal
aprvd

Councilman Wrazen moved to refer the Open Development Area application for 761 Quaker Road, East Aurora, to the Planning Board for review and recommendation(s). Councilman Wochensky seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none
Motion carried.

Action #281
ODA
application
for 761
Quaker
referred to
Planning Brd

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS:

Recreation Director – June & July 2025 reports
EAPD – July 2025 report

BUSINESS FROM BOARD MEMBERS/LIAISONS:

Councilman Wrazen stated that he is receiving input for the Comprehensive Plan based on comments made at the August 19, 2025 work session.

Councilman McCann stated he attended the August 21, 2025 ZBA meeting and complimented the ZBA and Town Attorney.

Supervisor Snyder stated he received notice that the Town did not receive the grant that was submitted for Warren Drive Park.

AUDIENCE II: none

STAFF REPORTS:

Highway Superintendent Gunner stated that: the East Fillmore bridge is being done tomorrow (8/26/25) and work on Church Street is scheduled to begin on Friday (8/29/25); Shearer Ave. bridge replacement design is underway; the kayak launch at Majors Park should be in this week and will be removed around Columbus Day; and they are installing a “dangerous dog” kennel at the highway garage based on new Agriculture and Markets regulations.

Police Chief Welch stated that his department: will be assisting more with the Borderland event this year; enforcing park curfews; and a \$7,000 grant was received from the State for speed details, most of which will be done on Town roads.

Councilman McCann moved to adjourn at 7:00 p.m. Seconded by
Councilman Wrazen. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – four noes – none
Motion carried.

Action #282
Meeting
adjourned

Martha L. Libroch
Town Clerk