

Village of Aurora Board of Trustees Special Meeting Minutes, April 29, 2025

Present: Deputy Mayor Janet Murphy, Trustees James Balloni, and Matt Bianconi

Absent: Mayor Jim Orman and Trustee John Miller

Others Present: Clerk Ann Balloni, Treasurer Christine Tanner, Inns of Aurora CFO Jodi Bennett, and Citizen Reporter Robert Harding

Call to Order: Deputy Mayor called the meeting to order at 5:31 and all rose for the Pledge of Allegiance

VB Resolution #25-25: To Adopt the 2025/2026 Village Budgets

WHEREAS, the Village of Aurora must pass annual budgets by May 1; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor, Village Trustees, Clerk, Account Clerk, Engineer, and DPW staff reviewed current financial challenges due to Wells College closure, announced on April 29, 2024; and

WHEREAS, fiscally responsible tentative budgets were introduced at a special meeting on March 27, 2025, a public hearing for the proposed budgets was held on April 10, 2025, and discussion continued at a regular meeting on April 19, 2025;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Aurora Board of Trustees adopt the 2025/2026 budgets at a special meeting held on April 29, 2025.

FIRST: Trustee Balloni

SECOND: Trustee Bianconi

AYES: Balloni, Bianconi, and Murphy

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mayor Orman and Trustee Miller

Carried.

The trustees discussed possible solutions to the significant increase in water/sewer rates due to the Village assuming operations of the Wells water plant. Trustee Murphy suggested charging short-term rental operators a commercial rate as the property is used for profit. The clerk will check with the village attorney.

The trustees agreed to confer with Mayor Orman on scheduling a special meeting for further discussion.

Appointment Correction: On motion by Trustee Murphy, second by Trustee Bianconi, the Village Board voted to rescind the appointment of Deborah Brooks as Deputy Clerk/Treasurer, as the Deputy Treasurer position is not assigned to the Village of Aurora.

AYES: Balloni, Bianconi, and Murphy

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Miller and Orman

Carried.

On motion by Trustee Balloni, second by Trustee Bianconi, the Village Board voted to appoint Deborah Brooks Account Clerk/Deputy Clerk.

AYES: Balloni, Bianconi, and Murphy

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Miller and Orman

Adjournment: On motion by Trustee Murphy, second by Trustee Balloni, the Village Board voted to adjourn the special meeting at 5:39 p.m.

AYES: Balloni, Bianconi, and Murphy

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Miller and Orman

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Balloni
Village Clerk