

July 21, 2008

The Aurelia City Council met in regular session on July 21, 2008. Mayor Bowen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with roll call as follows:

Present: Henkel, Keith, Evans, Bowen

Absent: Ballantyne, Lindgren

Also Present: Barb Messerole, Gene Suhr, Doug Goebel, Carol Ballantyne, Nikki Mier

Mayor Bowen requested Item #18 – Smoking Ban and Item #19 – Employee Evaluations be added to the agenda.

Keith discussed with Council a bill she received from the City in the amount of \$100.00 for a load of dirt. The dirt she received had pieces of concrete, cable, etc. mixed in and she wanted to discuss the amount billed. This will be discussed at the August meeting.

Motion was made by Evans to approve revised consent agenda, second by Henkel. Roll call vote “aye”, Evans, Keith, Henkel “nay” none. Motion carried. Ballantyne and Lindgren absent.

Minutes of previous meetings
Clerk/Treasurer & Investment Reports
Bills Payable
Police Report

	<u>Revenues</u>	<u>Disbursements</u>
General Funds	15,956.54	4,472.23
Special Revenue Fund	314.42	
Local Option Sales Tax	6,416.22	
Road Use Tax	7,644.20	1,882.01
Debt Service	326.45	53,893.75
Expendable Trusts	10.11	1,840.10
Water Utility	9,710.40	2,785.77
Sewer Utility	8,930.86	3,962.44
Sanitation	5,061.17	4,026.98
Sewer Sinking	4,250.00	
Storm Water Utility	469.00	
Improvement Reserve	2,084.00	2,084.00
Water Bond Sinking	1,727.87	22,461.87
Sewer Replacement Reserve		
Payroll		28,497.33
Aurelia Foundation/Comm Center	133,465.30	140,662.80

Bills Payable:

ACCO	liquid chlorine for pool	1,320.50
Arnold Motor Supply	bulb	4.38
Arctic Glacier	ice for CC	32.50
Aurelia Day Care	4 th Qtr Donation	600.00
Aurelia Lumber	paint, cement, wood	2,683.73
Aurelia Mun. Utilities	June utilities	3,459.24

B V Stationery	paper, tape, pens	12.58
Baker & Taylor	Library Books	377.71
Builders Sharpening	oil filters for mower	22.35
Cardmember Service	key cabinet, hydrant fitting, etc.	500.67
CARS	hose	25.20
Casey's	June Fuel	494.39
Central Iowa Library	Library books	385.00
Cherokee Co. Solid Waste	contract	1,981.42
Cherokee Co. Treasurer	swimming pool inspection	270.00
Chesterman's	pop for CC	153.90
Chronicle Times	Library 1 year subscription	82.00
Chuck Whittenburg	Beer for CC	80.50
Conley, Bonnie	reimbursement for bks & supplies	111.92
DEMCO	Library Books	282.92
Denny's Heating & AC	service & clean furnace	105.00
Eddy Walker	gutter brooms for St. Sweeper	592.20
Ferguson Enterprises	toilet seats for park	49.25
First Coop	June diesel and fuel	320.20
GCC Alliance Concrete	ready mix, limestone	1,462.95
Hallet Materials	road gravel & washed sand	1,736.74
Harland Technology	computer service contract	316.00
Helen's Comm Laundry	towels, rugs, mops, CC	147.76
Hy-Vee	coffee, napkins, filters	16.89
IIMC	annual membership fee	140.00
IA Dept. Nat. Resources	annual water supply fee	128.66
Iowa One Call	locates	23.40
IPERS	2 nd qtr	243.34
Jack's Uniforms	Police – pants	303.74
Johnson Brothers	Beer for CC	30.70
Kolpin Law Firm	consultant & professional	247.50
Linweld	torch mount	69.73
Long Lines	June cell phones	87.07
MET	wastewater & water tests	224.00
Micromarketing	Library Books	86.90
MidAmerican Energy	June utilities	1,322.02
Nu-Telecom	June phone/internet	316.85
Penworthy	Library books	91.40
Perkins Office Sol.	Ink cartridges, etc.	520.82
Plunkett's	pest control, City Hall & CC	80.40
Pro Elect	City Shop Fire & Sec. system	2,783.15
Sanitary Services	contract	3,762.00
Sprayer Specialties	gun jet w/extension	74.52
State Library of IA	FY009 Database subscription	56.86
Steve's Window Service	outside windows CC	38.00
Swanson, Michelle	repair Library computer	30.00
Telrite	Long distance	79.51
Treasurer, State of IA	2 nd qtr sales tax pool	275.00
Valley Vet	board strays picked up by police	84.00

Wal-Mart

Library supplies & CC supplies

236.90

Council reviewed Police Report with Officer Suhr. Suhr stated the speed trailer is working well and people have asked for it in their neighborhoods. Council requested it be located on Highway 7 next to slow traffic down.

Carol Ballantyne and Nikki Mier, representing the Aurelia Day Care, appeared before Council concerning their quarterly donation from the City. The City of Aurelia has donated \$600.00/quarter for the last year; and currently the Day Care's loan payment is \$600.00/quarter. Evans stated the Day Care is very important for our community. Evans made motion to continue a \$600.00/quarterly donation to go towards their loan payment, second by Henkel. Keith abstained from voting as she is on Day Care Board. Because there was not a quorum of three voters, Evans rescinded his motion and item was tabled until August meeting.

Mayor Bowen left the meeting for a rescue call.

Mayor Pro-Tem Evans opened Public Hearing for the Revision of the Snow Parking Ordinance.

Mark Sangwin on vacation, No Public Works Report.

Keith made motion to approve **Resolution #08-12 "Resolution Acquiring Property at 120 Willow Street in Aurelia, Iowa"** and set public hearing for Monday, August 18, 2008, second by Henkel. Roll Call vote "aye", Keith, Henkel, Evans "nay" none. Motion carried. Ballantyne and Lindgren absent.

SIMPCO has been hired by the City to do nuisance abatements. The nuisance abatement letter, sent out by SIMPCO, was reviewed by Council and some changes were made.

Henkel made motion to approve **1st Reading of Ordinance #663 "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 69 "All Night Parking Prohibited in Business District and All Night Parking Prohibited in Residential District" on any day between November 15 and March 15 if there is any accumulation of snow on the ground or blowing snow that requires the City of Aurelia to use snow removal equipment"**, second by Keith. Roll Call vote "aye", Henkel, Evans, Keith "nay" none. Motion carried. Ballantyne and Lindgren absent.

Mayor Bowen returned from a rescue call.

Keith made motion to close Public Hearing for Ordinance #663, second by Henkel. Roll Call vote "aye", Evans, Keith, Henkel "nay" none. Motion carried. Ballantyne and Lindgren absent.

Suhr requested hiring Doug Goebel as reserve officer for the City of Aurelia, as Bob Kirchner has quit. After further discussion, Keith made motion to hire Doug Goebel as reserve officer at a rate of \$12.00/hour, second by Evans. Roll Call vote "aye", Keith, Henkel, Evans "nay" none. Motion carried. Ballantyne and Lindgren absent.

Evans discussed with Council the need for the City to keep Suhr informed of what events are going on in town.

Suhr discussed with Council his concern that bar patrons are taking drinks outside when they smoke. Suhr will discuss this with bar owners and also request they put smoking receptacles outside their establishments to avoid the large accumulation of cigarette butts on the sidewalk.

The City's air conditioner was discussed. Every year the air conditioner needs freon added. Council requested Messerole contact Modern Heating and Cooling to see if they can locate the leak.

The Library roof is leaking and is in need of repair. Before a contractor is hired, Council requested Sangwin inspect the roof. Item was tabled until August meeting.

The Aurelia Community Foundation Incorporated was discussed. Council requested Messerole contact City Attorney, Lori Kolpin, to file all necessary paperwork to complete the filing of the Aurelia Community Foundation Incorporated account.

Advertising of Lots at the Carlson Addition was discussed. Currently the 9 premier lots start at \$4,300.00. The streets are paved, curb & gutter, and utilities are in place and tax abatements are available. Council advised Messerole to advertise in the Chronicle Times and the Storm Lake Papers for two weeks.

The Community Center's fence on north parking lot has been completed. The landscaping is completed. Thanks to Duane Kent and Del's Garden Center for their great work and time.

The piano at the Community Center was discussed. This item will be discussed at a Board of Directors Meeting.

The concrete in the alley west of the Community Center is completed, and both alleys have been paved.

A Board of Directors for the Community Center was discussed. Council requested Messerole research how other Community Centers are run and how By-Law's read.

Henkel gave Landfill Report.

Water/Sewer hookups for RV's were discussed. There is one hookup currently available at the trailer court.

Smoking Ban was discussed. Messerole has ordered "No Smoking" decals for city vehicles and all city owned buildings.

Employee evaluations were discussed. Messerole will put blank evaluations in the Council packets for their August meeting.

There being no further business to discuss, Evans made motion to adjourn meeting.

Jeff Bowen, Mayor

Barb Messerole, City Clerk