

January 15, 2007

The Aurelia City Council met in regular session on January 15, 2007. Mayor Bowen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with roll call as follows:

Present: Henkel, Keith, Evans, Ballantyne, Lindgren, Bowen

Absent:

Also Present: Barb Messerole, Don Pitts, John Loughlin, Scott Stevenson – Ruan Securities, Ken Slater, Ryan Kolpin, Mike Brooks – Lundell Enterprises, Inc., Mark Buschkamp, Bob Forbes, John Lockin, Brian Lockin

Mayor Bowen requested item #6 and item #4 be switched around.

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

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

	<u>Revenues</u>	<u>Disbursements</u>
General Funds	20,696.10	3,425.91
Special Revenue Fund	1,352.28	
Local Option Sales Tax	12,663.00	4,513.50
Road Use Tax	7,131.87	2,423.37
Debt Service	3,560.52	9,895.00
Expendable Trusts	18.57	292.27
Water Utility	10,718.21	2,633.50
Sewer Utility	9,428.27	1,383.29
Sanitation	4,622.19	5,167.15
Sewer Sinking	4,250.00	10,093.98
Storm Water Utility	467.00	30.00
Improvement Reserve		2,084.00
Vehicle/Equipment Reserve		
Risk Management Reserve		
Water Bond Sinking	1,727.87	1,727.87
Water Reserve		
Sewer Replacement Reserve		4,250.00
Street Project		
Capital Projects		
Payroll		14,734.66

Bills Payable:

Al's Incorporated	calcium chloride	150.00
ACCO	chlorine, fluoride, chemical pumps	628.40
Alpha Wireless	new radios/repair police radio	1,425.48
Aurelia Lumber	wood, tape, battery, drop cord	169.43
Aurelia Mun. Utilities	Dec. utilities	2,289.71

Aurelia Star	publications	18.20
BV Stationery	paper,binders	30.49
Baker & Taylor	Library Books	190.44
Barco Municipal Prod.	Street sign	75.85
Bomgaars	clothing, tarp strap	74.70
Brown Supply	fire hydrant	1,250.00
Builders Sharpening	2 cycle oil	15.00
Cardmember Service	google & yahoo adwords	9.61
CARS	starter in 97 chevy pickup	194.53
Caseys	December fuel	384.20
Center Point	Library books	47.28
Cherokee Co. Solid Waste	contract	1,981.42
Cherokee Hearing Aid	employee hearing test	27.28
Chronicle Times	advertise truck/box	43.48
Data Tech	support on site new updates	208.80
DEMCO	labels,tape,index shelves-Library	100.38
Des Moines Register	Library subscription renewal	187.20
Fireguard, Inc.	APR adapter – Fire Dept.	310.13
First Coop	December fuel	404.96
First Trust & Savings	purchase 3-\$100,000 CDs	300,000.00
Gregg Computer	Acer Laptop for Police Dept.	796.05
Hallett Materials	street sand	107.60
IMFOA	annual membership	30.00
Letsche's Bike & Radio	charger for new phone/new phone	69.96
MET	water & wastewater tests	138.00
MidAmerican Energy	Dec. utilities	886.56
Nation, Shirley	refund community center rental	50.00
Nu-Telecom	Dec. utilities	281.50
O'Reilly Auto Part	spot light new police vehicle	143.49
Office Depot	towels, toilet paper	83.98
Penworthy	Library Books	29.71
Perkins office Solutions	binders,envelopes,calendars	67.82
Plunkett's	pest control	39.00
Postmaster	postage for billings & stamps	124.20
Sanitary Services	contract	2,910.00
Sioux City Foundry	snow plow blades	287.26
Suhr, Gene	reimburse power supply/router	99.91
Telrite	Dec. long distance	60.97
U.S. Cellular	cell phone	38.53
Wilson TV & Appl.	Pouch for cell phone	24.95
Zee Medical	medical supplies	52.75

John and Brian Lockin appeared before Council to discuss renewal of insurance for the City. A dividend check was presented to the Council in the amount of \$5,752. This is the highest dividend check ever received by the City. It was noted workman's comp will be up a little, but did not know for sure on the property insurance. Lindgren made motion to renew insurance, second by Evans. Roll call vote "aye" Ballantyne, Evans, Henkel, Keith, Lindgren "nay" none. Motion carried.

Ken Slater – Cherokee County Landfill Commission appeared before Council along with Don Pitts, Mike Brooks – Lundell Enterprises, Inc., and Scott Stevenson, Ruan Securities. Slater informed Council that the CC Landfill will be building a pellet operation and plan to sell the pellets to Soy Energy, LLC. and possibly MHI. This new pellet operation will avoid burying costs. The CC Landfill took 12 tons of their waste down to Marshall, MO plant to burn. Of the 12 tons of waste, only a half of a yard needed to be buried. Besides the savings of not burying the garbage, the CC Landfill will not need a new cell every 3 years. There will also be ground water savings from the DNR. The CC Landfill will also get tax credits because of producing an alternative fuel. The Soy Energy, LLC. has verbally committed to purchasing 60 tons of pellets per day. The Buena Vista County Landfill has signed a ten year contract with the landfill. Stevenson assured the Council that no bonding will be issued until there is a contractual obligation with Soy Energy, LLC. on file. Loughlin advised the Council that the City of Aurelia is currently responsible for their share of the Commission Budget and this resolution is only revising the current 28E agreement on file by allowing the CC Landfill Commission to issue GO Bonds. The Aurelia City Council and Mayor questioned the CC Landfill Commission on what percent of the bond the City would be responsible for. Also, the Mayor and Council questioned the Commission on this project, due to the fact there are no contractual contracts to sell the pellets, with any customers at this time.

Lindgren made motion to approve ***Resolution #06-18 “Resolution Waiving Notice Under Amended and Restated County Landfill Association Agreement, and Consenting to the Issuance of Bonds by Cherokee County, Iowa, for the Purpose of Constructing Improvements under the Terms of Said Agreement, and Related Matters”***. The motion did not pass for lack of a second. After further discussion, a special meeting will be held on Monday, January 22, 2007, with the CC Landfill Commission to discuss in further detail the expansion and Resolution #06-18.

2007 Committee Assignments were discussed. Mayor Pro-Tem – Dar Evans; New Housing Development - Bowen & Lindgren, Community Center & Property – Bowen & Evans, Utility Board – Bowen, Budget Committee – Lindgren & Henkel; Personnel Committee – Evans & Krause; Recreation (Pool) – Ballantyne & Lindgren, Library –Dee Keith; Water & Sewer – Lindgren & Evans, Public Safety/Fire Board Trustee – Evans; Streets & Alleys – Keith & Ballantyne; Aurelia Development Corp. – Bowen & Evans; Day Care – Keith. Bowen appointed Henkel to the Landfill Commission. Evans made motion to appoint Henkel as the representative for the Cherokee County Landfill Commission, second by Keith. Roll call vote “aye” Evans, Henkel, Keith, Ballantyne “nay” Lindgren. Motion carried 4-1.

Donation from Mid-Sioux was discussed. Last year the City of Aurelia gave \$1,000 and it was the consensus of the Council to give them the same amount this year.

Extended warranty on the new Dump Truck was discussed. Originally the City received a letter of notification that the new dump truck was not eligible for extended coverage selected. The City has however, received a letter from Fitzpatrick Auto confirming the coverage on the new dump truck.

Keith made motion to approve the Application for Tax Abatement under the Urban Revitalization Plan for Dave and Sue Johnson, second by Henkel. Roll call vote “aye” Henkel, Keith, Lindgren, Ballantyne, Evans “nay” Lindgren. Motion carried

Council set budget workshop for Monday, February 5, 2007 at 6:30 pm.

City of Aurelia’s current “Dangerous and Vicious Animals” Code, Chapter 57, was discussed. Council tabled until next regular meeting.

Community Center Update. Rick Dean, Cannon Moss Brygger & Assoc., has been appointed as the Architect for the proposed project and he will charge 8% for architect fee. Dean will complete drawings in 30 to 45 days. Also, booking after April 1, 2007, in the old Community Center is tentative only. For anyone that wants to book after April 15, 2007, will be a tentative booking, cannot guarantee the Community Center will be available. It is suggested they talk with the Community Center Building Committee, (Roger Redid, Dar Evans, or Jeff Bowen) to see how the proposed project is progressing.

Kuehl and Payer have been hired as the Civil Engineer to do the Topographic and Boundary Survey for the 3 parcels of land for the proposed Community Center. Contract for survey to include: property corners located or established; on site bench mark established as project reference evaluation; contours at 1 foot interval; current zoning listed along with set-back, height and bulk restrictions (if any); above ground indications of underground utilities, approximate underground utility locations. Cost for the work is \$1,600. Evans made motion to approve Kuehl & Payer’s Topographic and Boundary Survey Contract for \$1,600, second by Keith. Roll call votes “aye” Keith, Lindgren, Ballantyne, Evans, Henkel “nay” none. Motion carried

Bowen informed Council that snow removal went very well. Bowen asked that a thank you card be sent to the Municipal Electric for their help with tree trimming, mowing, snow removal, etc.

There being no further business to discuss, meeting was adjourned

Jeff Bowen, Mayor

Barb Messerole, City Clerk