

October 20, 2008

The Aurelia City Council met in regular session on October 20, 2008. Mayor Bowen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with roll call as follows:

Present: Keith, Evans, Ballantyne, Lindgren, Bowen

Absent: Henkel

Also Present: Barb Messerole, Mark Sangwin, Gene Suhr, Bruce Rapp, Katina Johnson, Lori Kolpin, Kevin Sundene, Wane Miller, Angie Paltz, Jennifer Morse

Mayor Bowen announced the Northwest Iowa League of Cities meeting is Thursday, October 23, 2008 at the Sioux Center Public Library.

Mayor Bowen requested item #12 – Tax Abatement 124 Walnut St. be exchange with item #15 - Boy Scout Hall on the agenda.

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

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

	<u>Revenues</u>	<u>Disbursements</u>
General Funds	18,165.30	13,467.20
Special Revenue Fund	2,683.05	
Local Option Sales Tax	6,778.54	18.60
Road Use Tax	7,733.57	1,485.59
Debt Service	3,087.16	
Expendable Trusts	311.05	1,333.52
Water Utility	10,371.43	4,297.99
Sewer Utility	9,430.80	5,107.40
Sanitation	5,945.49	5,828.92
Sewer Sinking	4,350.00	
Storm Water Utility	476.00	
Improvement Reserve	2,084.00	2,084.00
Water Bond Sinking	1,727.87	
Sewer Replacement Reserve		
Payroll		37,005.17
Aurelia Foundation/Comm Center	1,249.45	0.00

Bills Payable:

Acco	liquid chlorine west well	227.40
Al's Liquor	liquor for CC Bar	241.34
AmSan	towels for CC Bar	187.64
Artic Glacier	ice for CC Bar	93.40
Aurelia Day Care	1 st Qtr Donation 08-09	600.00
Aurelia Library	petty cash	73.17
Aurelia Lumber	hand seeder,caulk,roller cover	73.62

Aurelia Mun. Utilities	Sept. utilities	2,160.99
Aurelia Star	publications	408.00
B V Stationery	ink cartridges	45.72
Baker & Taylor	Library Books	231.92
Bomgaars	metal chains, shovel, plastic sprayer	88.96
Brown Supply Co.	stainless steel clamp, valves	545.59
Builders Sharpening	mower ail filter; tune up leaf blower	61.60
Cardmember Services	renew anti-virus, adwords	103.62
Casey's	Sept. Fuel	626.40
Center Point Large Print	Library books	64.94
Centurion Technologies	security software & maint. Agreement	33.88
Cherokee Auto Parts	bulb for Police Durango	10.90
Cherokee Clerk of Courts	case dismissed	59.80
Cherokee Co. Solid Waste	contract	1,981.42
Chesterman Co.	Pop for CC Bar	78.70
Chuck Whittenburg Dist.	Beer for CC Bar	142.70
Dakota Supply	badger water meters	1,448.26
EBSCO	Library book	13.20
Helen's Comm Laundry	towels CC	26.83
First Abstract & Loan Co.	update abstract 120 Willow St.	167.25
First Coop	Sept. diesel & fuel	641.78
Hach	reagent	121.35
Hy-Vee	Linens for CC	263.22
IACPPO, Inc.	08-09 Annual Dues	20.00
Jensen Insurance	Faithful & Honesty Performance Bond	100.00
Johnson Brothers	Beer for CC Bar	38.10
Justine Prichard Farm & Mfg.	Grinding of trees at brush pile	869.50
Kmart	misc. supplies	45.75
Kai, Cindy	reimburse for office supplies	13.31
Long Lines	Sept. cell phones	87.21
MET	water & wastewater tests	150.00
Micromarketing	Library Books	118.91
MidAmerican Energy	Sept. utilities	55.28
Murphy Tractor & Equip.	parts for pay loader	334.29
NW IA League	08-09 dues	25.00
Nu-Telecom	Sept. phone/internet	320.99
Perkins Office Sol.	Ink cartridges, paper	164.75
Plunkett's	pest control, City Hall & CC	80.40
Postmaster	postage for utility bills	197.94
Redig, Pat	reimburse for CC pictures	40.49
Sam's Club	membership renewal	35.00
Sanitary Services	contract	3,838.00
Steve's Window Service	clean windows at CC	38.00
Storm Lake Times	advertise lots for sale	26.33
Taste of Home	Library Book	28.98
TCY Machine	stainless gates for lagoon	344.00
Telrite	Sept. Long distance	61.18
Treasurer, State of Iowa	3 rd Qtr Sales Tax Pool	62.00
Wal-Mart	misc. items for CC	29.36

Kelly Koehn, Central Tank Coatings, was unable to attend the meeting. Bowen requested Messerole contact him and get a new maintenance contract and the Council will review at their next regular meeting.

Larry and Jackie Dierenfield, residents of 312 Willow Street, did not attend Council meeting concerning their nuisance abatement letter.

Bruce Rapp appeared before Council concerning the current vicious animal Code of Ordinance for the City of Aurelia. The City's attorney has been in court twice for the same dog and it was unfounded both times. Rapp requested the Council review their current verbiage and revise the wording to get more specific as when a dog is considered a vicious animal such as showing his teeth, showing signs of aggression, or charges an individual. It was the consensus of the Council that people should be able to walk down any city street without dogs lurching, hair standing up, or growling at them. The responsibility of the animal does lie with the pet owner. The Animal Control Ordinance will be reviewed by Council.

Gail Rowland did not attend Council meeting concerning the limitation on number of domestic animals in the City of Aurelia.

Lori Kolpin appeared before Council to discuss the Aurelia Community Foundation, Inc. Council reviewed an email from Rand Fisher, Iowa Area Development Group, suggesting the City go with a 501C3 or become part of the "family of funds" of the Cherokee County Legacy Foundation. Kolpin suggested the Council form a committee first to come up with specific goals of the community and fund raising ideas. Kolpin felt the City needed a committee in place to operate independently with the money and allowing private donations being funneled out without going through the City. After further discussion, Evans and Keith will talk with Rand Fisher asking him additional questions on what is best for our community.

Katina Johnson appeared before Council concerning the speeding traffic on West 3rd Street in the mornings before school and after school. Suhr did put the speed trailer out in this area. Bowen suggested Law Enforcement monitor the traffic in the mornings before school and after school and if violating, write some tickets.

Sangwin reviewed with Council the Public Works "Things to do List". Leaves were hauled from brush pile; grass seeded by new shelter house, working on repairing crack in bottom of swimming pool; replaced a few more outside read meters; cleaned storm drain south of the pool; winterized pool, pump house, bathhouse, and shelter house. Council requested Sangwin place piece of plywood over door at 120 Willow Street.

Bid from Builders Sharpening for new S205 Bobcat was reviewed in the amount of \$25,884.00 less trade of \$9,384.00 for 763 Bobcat, total cost \$16,500.00. The new bobcat will take half the time to do snow removal. The Aurelia Municipal Electric did vote at their last meeting to pay \$8,250.00. After further discussion, Keith made motion to purchase S205 Bobcat from Builders Sharpening, City paying \$8,250.00, Aurelia Municipal Electric paying \$8,250.00, second by Ballantyne. Roll call vote "aye", Evans, Keith, Lindgren, Ballantyne "nay" none. Motion carried. Henkel absent.

Boy Scout Hall at the park was discussed. Wane Miller currently has about 34 kids in boy scouts, 16 are from Aurelia. They would like a place to meet and this building could be shared with the Brownies, Girl Scouts, and 4-H members. Miller stated some volunteers could clean up and paint the Scout Hall. A bid from Modern Heating in the amount of \$4,288.10 for air to air heat pump and air handler was reviewed. After further discussion, Lindgren made motion to approve spending \$5,000.00 towards the Boy Scout Hall's project, \$4,288.10 to Modern Heating for heating and cooling; and \$712 to be used for paint, lighting, etc.; second by Evans. Roll call vote "aye", Keith, Lindgren, Ballantyne, Evans "nay" none. Motion carried. Henkel absent.

Lindgren made motion to approve tax abatement form for 124 Walnut Street, second by Ballantyne. Roll call vote "aye", Lindgren, Ballantyne, Evans, Keith "nay" none. Motion carried. Henkel absent.

Lindgren made motion to approve Liquor License Renewal for the Aurelia Golf Course, second by Keith. Roll call vote "aye", Ballantyne, Evans, Keith, Lindgren "nay" none. Motion carried. Henkel absent.

The City has received (7) seven applications for the Community Center Board of Directors position. Bowen requested advertising for board members with a deadline of November 10th and stipulating board member live in the Aurelia School District. Council will discuss by-laws at their next regular Council meeting.

SIMPCO re-inspections dated October 1st were discussed. Because there was City-wide cleanup the 16th of this month, Messerole will re-inspect.

Keith made motion to approve Identify Theft Red Flag Rule Program, second by Ballantyne. Roll call vote "aye", Evans, Keith, Lindgren, Ballantyne "nay" none. Motion carried. Henkel absent.

Employee evaluations were discussed and it was the consensus of the Council the Mayor evaluate the City employees as he works closer with them.

Henkel was absent, no Landfill Report.

There being no further business to discuss, meeting was adjourned.

Jeff Bowen, Mayor

Barb Messerole, City Clerk