

January 18, 2010

The Aurelia City Council met in regular session on January 18, 2010. Mayor Ebel called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with roll call as follows:

Present: Bowen, Schulenberg, Fredericksen, Lindgren, Ebel

Absent: Keith

Also Present: Barb Messerole, Mark Sangwin, John Lockin, Brian Lockin, Jerry Jensen, Roger Redig

Mayor Ebel announced the Northwest Iowa League of Cities meeting will be in Sac City at the Sac County Cattle Co. on Thursday, January 21, 2010.

Mayor Ebel welcomed Jerry Jensen, Brian and John Lockin, and Mark Sangwin to the Council meeting.

Part II of the Municipal Leadership Academy is available on line.

Mayor Ebel requested item #10 of the Agenda, Correction of Bills Payable for City Council Minutes be approved under the Clerk/Treasurer Reports & Investments Reports. Bowen requested this be kept as a separate item.

Motion was made by Lindgren to approve consent agenda, second by Fredericksen. All members present voting "aye", motion carried.

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

<u>Dec. Revenues</u>		<u>Dec. Disbursements</u>	
Property Taxes	536.10	General Fund	7,737.49
Local Option Sales Tax	0.00	Special Revenue	0.00
Licenses & Permits	5.00	Local Option Sales Tax	1,464.56
Use of Money & Property	1,219.09	Road Use Tax	716.08
Road Use Tax	7,250.35	Debt Service	0.00
State & Local Grants & Reim.	1,925.00	Expendable Trusts	2,700.75
Water Utility	8,926.23	Water Utility	1,821.94
Sewer Utility	8,470.37	Sewer Utility	1,040.23
Sanitation	5,904.56	Sanitation	6,099.57
Storm Water Utility	468.00	Storm Water Utility	21.00
Other Fees & Charges	30.00	December Payroll	16,798.61
Special Assessments	0.00	Transfers Out	<u>8,186.87</u>
Miscellaneous	3,068.65	Total	46,587.10
Transfers In	<u>8,186.87</u>		
Total	45,990.22		

January Bills Payable:

Aurelia Day Care	2 nd Qtr Donation FY09-10	600.00
Aurelia Development	membership dues	25.00
Aurelia Lumber	bulbs, snowshovel, steel post, etc.	266.66
Aurelia Mun. Utilities	Dec. utilities/write off bad debt	5,124.03
B V Stationery	paper and binders	16.84
Baker & Taylor	Library Books	109.28
Bomgaars	shop tools, wiper blades, antifreeze	155.37
Builders Sharpening	angle broom for bobcat skidloader	4,071.00

Cardmember Service	adwords	54.69
Casey's	December fuel	434.95
Cherokee Co. Solid Waste	contract	1,981.42
Dakota Supply Group	badger meter & gaskets for well	715.04
Data Technologies	W2 forms	46.90
Des Moines Register	Library 1 year subscription	187.20
Fire Proof Plus	2 new water mist fire extinguishers	362.00
First Coop	Dec. diesel fuel/hydraulic oil	1,318.14
Fitzpatrick Auto	switch for yellow dump truck	49.69
GeoPro, Inc.	well abandonment bentonite	567.36
Hallett Materials	sand for streets	348.16
IA Workforce Development	4 th qtr unemployment	13.88
IMFOA	annual membership	30.00
Johnson, Dave	counter top for City Hall	190.50
Kmart	coffee,paper shredder, videos	175.58
Lake City Public Library	Library book	9.25
Lake Electric	electric supplies to move elect.box	325.93
Letsches Bike Shop	charger for police	19.99
Long Lines	Dec.cell phones	149.93
MET	water & wastewater tests	189.00
MicroMarketing	Library Books	36.99
MidAmerican Energy	Dec. utilities	314.65
Midwest Radar	repair Police hand held	110.00
Northstar CCU	Jan. deposit to Sangwin's HSA	83.33
Nu-Telecom	Dec.phone/internet/long distance	436.63
Perkins Office Solution	ink cartridges,ribbons,legal pads	244.12
Plunkett's	pest control, City Hall & CC	80.40
Pumpkin Books	Library books	327.76
Sanitary Services	contract	3,809.50
St. Lukes	drug test Sangwin	36.00
Steve's Window Service	clean cc windows	38.00
Sayre, Wittgraf, & Meloy	deed, filings sign property	134.00
Treasurer, State of Iowa	State Tax	42.59
TrueNorth	self insurance Suhr	440.00
United Bank of Iowa	Jan deposit to Suhr's HSA	<u>166.67</u>
	TOTAL	23,838.43

Mayor Ebel opened public hearing for revising Chapter 23 "Utility Board of Trustees" of the Code of Ordinances.

Hunzelman, Putzier did not appear before Council as they have not completed the audit for the fiscal year 2009-10.

John and Brian Lockin and Jerry Jensen appeared before Council to discuss renewal of insurance for the City. John Lockin presented the Council with a \$6,804 dividend check for 2009. The City's Workman's comp modification has gone down and the overall impact of premium renewal will be 0% to 2% increase for 2010. Council asked if the \$4,000,000 coverage is enough for a town our size in case of a catastrophic incident and requested Lockin compare coverage with other cities our size to see if comparable. Lockin will get quotes for additional coverage. Bowen made motion to accept insurance proposal for the renewal provided by Lockin Insurance and Jensen Insurance, second by Schulenberg. All members present voting "aye" motion carried.

Roger Redig appeared before Council concerning the Aurelia Development Corporation is in the process of applying for a Legacy Grant to purchase a new message center. The new message center would replace the old manual message center under the Welcome to Aurelia Sign, which originally was a Kiwanis project. The land where the current sign is located has been donated to the City from Filmore Gustafson, a member of Aurelia Development. The new sign would be changed by the employees at City Hall, instead of manually. This will allow for multiple announcements in one day and keep citizens better informed of events. The cost of a new sign would be \$14,000 and Redig is requesting \$10,000 from the Legacy Grant, \$1,500 pledge from Aurelia Electric, \$1,500 pledge from the City of Aurelia, \$500 pledge from Aurelia Development and \$500 from other community donations. Council informed Redig that if Aurelia Development is not awarded the full \$10,000 from the Legacy Grant to come back to Council to discuss further funding. Fredericksen made motion to pledge \$1,500 to the new message center project, in event grant amount is favorable, second by Lindgren. All members present voting "aye", motion carried.

Sangwin reviewed with Council the Public Works "Things to do List". No changes to the To Do List this month busy moving and hauling snow. A thank you to Jeff Bowen for helping with snow removal. Sangwin brought in his smaller skid loader and cleaned the alley and ramp between the Community Center and Medical Building and hauled the snow away. Put in new water shut off at Sunset Knoll last week, which did interrupt water service to residents on the west side of Main Street. Sunset Knoll's contractor will be installing a sprinkler system Tuesday, January 19th and there will be an interruption of water service on Tuesday, January 19th beginning at 9:00 am for three to five hours. The new window at City Hall was trimmed out. Mayor requested some of the snow pile by the Locker be hauled away as it is causing some visibility problems at the intersection.

Sangwin informed Council that Luchtel Distribution does not sell pumps, but he did contact B & B Chlorination but they did not get back to him yet. Council suggested Sangwin contact them again for prices to compare with Acco.

Correction of Bills Payable for City Council Minutes was discussed. It was decided there will be a Council meeting the end of June, 2010 to approve any bills paid after the regular June Council meeting to keep bill approval in the current fiscal year. Discussion was held concerning the correction of bills payable for City Council Minutes from July, 2009 Council Minutes to November, 2009 Council Minutes. Bowen made motion to correct all bills paid, not listed in the minutes, for the last four years from January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2009, second by Schulenberg. All members voting "aye", motion carried.

Bowen made motion to approve first reading of ***Ordinance #665 Amending Code of Ordinances of the City of Aurelia by amending Chapter 23 "Utility Board of Trustees"***, second by Lindgren. All members present voting "aye", motion carried.

Fredericksen made motion to approve ***Resolution #10-01 "Resolution Approving Depository Balances"*** second by Lindgren. Roll call vote "aye", Schulenberg, Bowen, Fredericksen, Lindgren "nay" none. Motion carried. Keith absent.

Culver's proposed Road Use Tax Fund Transfer letter was signed and sent off to the President of the Iowa State Senate. The City does not agree with the Governor's plan to take money from already under funded entities to fund the Iowa State Patrol from the

Road Use Tax Fund. This proposed plan would reduce the amount the City would receive from the Road Use Tax Fund by \$4,524.00.

Keith was absent, no information on new park equipment.

Donations to Cherokee Area Economic Development Corporation (CAEDC), Mid-Sioux, and CAASA (Center against Abuse & Sexual Assault) were discussed. The City will donate \$3,500 to CAEDC, \$1,000 to Mid-Sioux, and \$1,000 to CAASA payable after July 1, 2010. These amounts, if approved, will be included in the current fiscal year 2010-11 budget which is currently being prepared.

Messerole distributed to all Council Members and Mayor an Expenditures Budget Worksheet. A budget workshop for Expenses has been set for Monday, January 25, 2010 at 6:30 pm.

Bowen attended a Community Center Board Meeting and was unable to attend the January landfill meeting.

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

Jim Ebel, Mayor

Barb Messerole, City Clerk