

April 26, 2010

The Aurelia City Council met in regular session on April 26, 2010. Mayor Ebel called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with roll call as follows:

Present: Keith, Schulenberg, Bowen, Fredericksen, Ebel

Absent: Lindgren

Also Present: Messerole, Mark Sangwin, Roger Redig, Dave & Sue Johnson, Anna Waddell

Mayor Ebel announced the Northwest Iowa League of Cities meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 29, 2010, at the Santa Maria Vineyard & Winery Event Center in Carroll, Iowa. There will be a Small City Workshop at Lohff Schuman Community Center in Holstein on Thursday, June 3, 2010, from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm.

Motion was made by Bowen to approve consent agenda with correction for removal of Correction to Bill Payables for Council Minutes, second by Keith. All members present voting "aye", motion carried.

Council requested that Officer Suhr attend the monthly Council Meetings to review Police Report.

Minutes of previous meetings			
Clerk/Treasurer & Investment Reports			
Bills Payable			
Police Report			
<u>March. Revenues</u>		<u>March Disbursements</u>	
Property Taxes	8,502.41	General Fund	38,312.00
Local Option Sales Tax	5,973.77	Special Revenue	0.00
Licenses & Permits	594.00	Local Option Sales Tax	0.00
Use of Money & Property	1,142.35	Road Use Tax	9,089.74
Road Use Tax	8,716.30	Debt Service	0.00
State & Local Grants & Reim.	1,925.00	Expendable Trusts	0.00
Water Utility	8,973.85	Water Utility	8,342.01
Sewer Utility	8,405.99	Sewer Utility	3,827.80
Sanitation	5,836.96	Sanitation	5,724.42
Storm Water Utility	463.00	Storm Water Utility	0.00
Other Fees & Charges	209.00	March Payroll	16,802.93
Special Assessments	0.00	Transfers Out	<u>8,186.87</u>
Miscellaneous	7,141.32	Total	90,285.77
Transfers In	<u>8,186.87</u>		
Total	66,070.82		

April Bills Payable:

A to Z Liquor	liquor for CC bar	407.69
Alcoholic Beverage Div.	liquor license for CC	936.00
Aurelia Day Care	3 rd Qtr Donation FY 10-11	600.00
Aurelia DECA	Leadership Conference Donation	450.00
Aurelia Development Corp	city's pledge new electronic sign	1,500.00
Aurelia Library	petty cash	71.75
Aurelia Lumber	switch,coupler,paint,adapters	69.94
Aurelia Mun. Utilities	March utilities	3,828.89
Aurelia Star	publications	102.00
Automatic Systems Co.	Re-Calibrated meter & switch	307.50

B V Stationery	paper	15.59
Baker & Taylor	Library books	182.64
Bomgaars	shop equipment	18.98
Bonnesen Plumbing	valve& fire hydrant repair	1,635.00
Cardmember Service	google adwords, MLA, fuel	213.86
Carrot-Top Industries	new flags	63.81
Casey's	March fuel	444.00
Cherokee Auto Parts	battery-Police Dept. parts-air comp	216.46
Cherokee Co. Engineers	bridge inspection M21	125.00
Cherokee Co. Solid Waste	contract	1,981.42
Chesterman Co.	pop for CC	33.00
Chuck Wittenburg	Beer for CC Bar	68.80
Dakota Supply Group	new water meter at trailer ct	394.02
DEMCO	Library book	28.13
Econo Signs	speed limit sign	46.14
Eddy-Walker Equipment	street sweeper school	45.00
Fairmont Fire Systems	CC Semi Annual Inspection	127.00
First Coop	March fuel	251.35
Forbes & Sons	envelopes	134.92
Frank Dunn Co.	high performance patch	679.00
Hach Co.	test supplies for water	194.11
Helen's Commercial Laundry	rugs and towels for CC	58.52
Hunzelman Putzier	accounting expense	689.00
HyVee	juice, linens for CC	179.84
IMFOA	Kai to spring meeting	25.00
Iowa Park & Rec Assoc	pool workshop-Sangwin/Mitch	200.00
Iowa Rural Water Assoc	water class-Sangwin/Howey	30.00
Iowa Workforce Dev.	1 st Qtr. 2010 unemployment	38.61
Kmart	Library videos	44.98
Lockin Insurance	Dram Shop-Liquor License CC	1,215.00
Long Lines	March cell phones	150.07
MET	water/wastewater test	434.00
MidAmerican Energy	March utilities	264.30
Modern Heating & Cooling	Heat pump at library	104.80
Northstar CCU	April deposit to Sangwin's HSA	77.33
Nu-Telecom	March phone/internet/long distance	392.26
Office Depot	paper towels	29.94
Paltz Construction	snow removal	750.00
Perkins Office Solution	paper for Library & City Hall	49.42
Plunkett's	pest control, City Hall & CC	80.40
Postmaster	postage for bills & stamps	247.64
Pro Elect	annual fire alarm monitoring	300.00
Rehab Systems	clean & televise sewer lines	1,225.00
Rebnord Technologies	IT Services & hardware Library	267.40
Sanitary Services	contract	3,790.50
Sayre, Wittgraf & Meloy	legal advice	210.00
Steve's Window Service	clean cc windows	38.00
United Bank of Iowa	April deposit to Suhr's HSA	166.67
Vector	Group Insurance	153.05
	TOTAL	26,383.73

Keith made motion to open Public Hearing for sale of 400 Ridgeview Lane and 302 Ridgeview Lane, second by Schulenberg. Roll Call Vote “aye” Bowen, Schulenberg, Keith, Fredericksen “nay” none. Motion Carried. Lindgren absent.

No citizens appeared before Council concerning the property line on Oak Street. Council suggested Sangwin put up fence posts on Oak Street to keep vehicles from driving around the gate to the sewer plant

Roger Redig appeared before Council concerning the new message board which Aurelia Development has received \$10,000 from the Legacy Grant. The top sign is also in need of repair or replacement. Rolling Signs’ bid for a new white lighted sign with “Welcome to Aurelia” in royal blue letters, along with new pole and concrete would cost \$2,450. Aurelia Development has received additional donations for this new sign and Redig will keep Council informed on how fund raising is going.

Sangwin reviewed with Council the Public Works “Things to do List”. Mowed and cleanup; pulled pump from east well to be checked out; replaced 4 more water meters; cleaned 2 blocks of sewer lines one will need to be repaired; received 2 buckets of cold crack sealer; repair of equipment; drained down lagoon; Jack Wilson will continue as seasonal employee and mow; bids from Jerry’s Tree Service and R & R Tree Service to remove 3 trees at park, Jerry’s Tree Service’s bid lower; will take out backstop at park; will remove concrete on vacant lot by school; will spray ball fields at school.

Two citizens submitted amounts for sewer backup damages. Council requested additional information and requested citizens bring in receipts. Questioned if citizens turned into their Insurance Company. Council will review after receiving additional information.

Sunset Knoll has requested the size of their sign increase to 4’ in height and 10’ wide because of visibility from the Highway. Council agreed this would be ok to order.

Frederickson made motion to approve Tax Abatement for 114 E. 2nd Street, second by Keith. Roll Call Vote “aye” Keith, Schulenburg, Bowen, Frederickson. Motion carried. Lindgren absent.

Keith made motion to renew liquor license for 3-Pete’s and Fireman’s Ball, second by Schulenberg. All members present voting “aye”, motion carried.

Bowen made motion to approve **Resolution #10-07 “A 25% Discount on the Sale Price of Said Lots in the Carlson’s Second Addition until December 31, 2010”** second by Fredericksen. Roll Call Vote “aye” Schulenberg, Keith, Bowen, Fredericksen “nay” none. Motion carried. Lindgren absent.

Schulenberg made motion to approve **Resolution #10-08 “A Resolution Waiving the Initial Hookup Fees for Water & Sewer Utilities on Each Lot Sold in the Carlson’s Second Addition”** second by Keith. Roll Call Vote “aye” Fredericksen, Bowen, Keith, Schulenberg, “nay” none. Motion carried. Lindgren absent.

Keith made motion to approve **Resolution #10-05 “Resolution disposing of an Interest in Real Estate at 400 Ridgeview Lane”** second by Fredericksen. Roll Call Vote “aye”, Bowen, Fredericksen, Schulenberg, Keith “nay” none. Motion carried. Lindgren absent.

Keith made motion to approve **Resolution #10-06 “Resolution disposing of an Interest in Real Estate at 302 Ridgeview Lane”** second by Bowen. Roll Call Vote “aye”, Schulenberg, Keith, Bowen, Fredericksen “nay” none. Motion carried. Lindgren absent.

Fredericksen made motion to close Public Hearing for sale of 400 Ridgeview Lane and 302 Ridgeview Lane, second by Keith. Roll Call Vote “aye”, Bowen, Schulenberg, Fredericksen, Keith “nay” none. Motion carried. Lindgren absent.

Electric, water, and sewer utilities are available at the new housing development.

“The Great Ape Project” for Aurelia Park Equipment was discussed and the committee has chosen an option that costs \$33,905 which includes site preparation and pea gravel. The City earmarked \$20,000 in their 2010-11 budget, Women that Care gave \$2,200, Aurelia Elementary School gave \$242 and a memorial donation from Melvin & Phylis Converse of \$570, leaving \$10,893. “The Great Ape Project” will be setting up a fund raising booth during Ragbrai.

Landfill report was given by Bowen.

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

Jim Ebel, Mayor

Barb Messerole, City Clerk