

June 18, 2007

The Aurelia City Council met in regular session on June 18, 2007. Mayor Bowen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with roll call as follows:

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

Absent:

Also Present: Cindy Kai, Gene Suhr, Mike Sprouse, Dick Weathers, Lois Weathers, Gordon Carstens, Barbara Carstens, Bill Smith, Dan Whitney.

Mayor Bowen added Item #22 to the Agenda – “Sub-Renting of Rental Property at 301 Main.”

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

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

|                             | <u>Revenues</u>                | <u>Disbursements</u> |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| General Funds               | 12,772.85                      | 7,909.32             |
| Special Revenue Fund        | 1,459.07                       |                      |
| Local Option Sales Tax      | 5,880.33                       |                      |
| Road Use Tax                | 6,624.42                       | 4,315.36             |
| Debt Service                | 3,677.12                       |                      |
| Expendable Trusts           | 120.13                         |                      |
| Capital Project-Comm Center |                                | 4,719.82             |
| Water Utility               | 12,379.39                      | 2,081.10             |
| Sewer Utility               | 10,679.67                      | 5,250.49             |
| Sanitation                  | 5,390.01                       | 4,939.42             |
| Sewer Sinking               | 4,250.00                       | 5,301.42             |
| Storm Water Utility         | 461.76                         |                      |
| Improvement Reserve         |                                |                      |
| Water Bond Sinking          | 1,727.87                       | 20,734.00            |
| Sewer Replacement Reserve   |                                |                      |
| Payroll                     |                                | 22,576.35            |
| Bills Payable:              |                                |                      |
| ACCO                        | chemicals for pool & water     | 163.52               |
| AFLAC                       | Suhr premium                   | 3.86                 |
| Aurelia Library             | petty cash                     | 71.71                |
| Aurelia Lumber              | flooring/pool painting/fence   | 1,688.71             |
| Aurelia Mun. Utilities      | May utilities                  | 2,685.67             |
| Aurelia Pool                | petty cash                     | 30.00                |
| B V Stationery              | ink cartridges/binders         | 88.82                |
| Baker & Taylor              | Library Books                  | 177.28               |
| Bonnesen Plumbing           | bathhouse/patch street/backhoe | 1,179.70             |
| Bomgaars                    | clothing/deck sprayer          | 105.90               |
| Builders Sharpening         | mower repair                   | 171.45               |

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| Cannon, Moss, Brygger    | architect service for Comm. Cntr | 4,618.16  |
| Capmark Financial        | water bond                       | 20,734.00 |
| Cardmember Service       | google adwords/yahoo search      | 89.82     |
| Casey's                  | May fuel                         | 319.02    |
| Center Point Lg Print    | Library Books                    | 25.04     |
| Cherokee Auto Parts      | tailgate support cable/pickup    | 15.26     |
| Cherokee Co. Engineer    | replace guard rail-s main bridge | 887.30    |
| Cherokee Co. Solid Waste | contract                         | 1,981.42  |
| Chronicle Times          | publish resolution               | 27.82     |
| Conley, Bonnie           | reimburse monitor,workshop,supp. | 301.08    |
| County Line              | white goods-city wide clean-up   | 150.00    |
| Dakota Riggers           | log chain                        | 71.72     |
| First Coop               | May fuel                         | 550.06    |
| Fordyce Custom Woodwork  | drop box for library             | 1,025.00  |
| Galls                    | police-kneepads,elbow pads       | 56.96     |
| Geo-Loop                 | fittings for pump                | 105.98    |
| Hallett Materials        | road gravel for alleys           | 136.04    |
| Harland Technology Serv. | computer equip service contract  | 306.50    |
| Iowa One Call            | locates                          | 36.90     |
| Justine Pritchard Farm   | grinding trees,branches          | 564.80    |
| Lawson Products          | hand wipes                       | 30.94     |
| Long Lines               | May cell phones                  | 88.25     |
| Maple Valley Hardware    | UPS fees                         | 14.43     |
| MET                      | wastewater/water tests           | 104.00    |
| Micromarketing           | Library Books                    | 157.55    |
| MidAmerican Energy       | May utilities                    | 518.19    |
| Nu-Telecom               | May phone/internet               | 281.50    |
| Penworthy                | Library Books                    | 130.53    |
| Perkins Office Solutions | staples/glue/env/tabs            | 127.04    |
| Plunkett's               | pest control                     | 39.00     |
| Power Plan               | hydraulic ends for payloador     | 71.20     |
| Postmaster               | postage                          | 51.42     |
| R C Booth Enterprises    | BV/Cher Co plat books/Library    | 54.00     |
| Recreation Supply Co.    | brushes and poles for pool       | 413.67    |
| Sanitary Services        | contract                         | 3,320.00  |
| Swanson, Michelle        | Library computer                 | 1,115.00  |
| TCY Machine              | grapple forks for payloador      | 5,646.30  |
| Telrite                  | May long distance                | 59.41     |

Mayor Bowen opened the Public Hearing to Rezone Properties at 301 N. Main, 305 N. Main and 309 N. Main. Members of the public at the meeting asked if the alley behind the properties would be paved and if so, would there be an assessment to the property owners. The Council discussed that the alley would probably be paved or blacktopped and that in the past when an alley was blacktopped, the property owners were not assessed. Discussion was held concerning the flow of the traffic in the alley, the concern of dust if it was not paved or blacktopped, and the possibility of putting a fence along the area of the parking lot. The minutes from the Board of Adjustment Committee were

read. The Board of Adjustment has approved the rezoning of the properties from residential to commercial for the sole purpose of making a parking lot for the proposed new community center. Motion to rezone properties at 301 N. Main, 305 N. Main, 309 N. Main as proposed by the Board of Adjustment was made by Keith, second by Henkel. Roll Call vote, “aye” Evans, Henkel, Keith, Lindgren, “nay” none. Motion carried. Ballantyne absent.

Gene Suhr informed the Council that the State of Iowa has a \$4000 grant available for the purchase of a speed trailer to use in town. The total price of the trailer is \$5,295. Suhr asked that the Council authorize spending of \$1,300 to purchase the speed trailer. Motion by Evans to authorize \$1300 for the purchase of a speed trailer if the State grant of \$4,000 is received, second by Keith. Roll Call vote, “aye” Evans, Henkel, Keith, Lindgren, “nay” none. Motion carried. Ballantyne absent.

Suhr left the meeting.

Mayor Bowen reported the bids for the new community center were opened on June 14<sup>th</sup>. The bids were all over budget. There will be a community center committee meeting on Wednesday, June 20, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. at City Hall with the architect and the contractor with the low bid to make changes to reduce the cost of the building to try to keep it at the budgeted cost.

Ballantyne arrived at 7:40 p.m.

Aurelia Foundation Account has received a total of \$264,339 total in donations and pledges.

Items #5 – “Award Bids for New Community Center”, Item #6 – “Resolution #07-05 Authorizing Contract for a New Community Center”, and Item #7 – “Approve Bids for Demolition of Old Community” were tabled until the Community Center Committee has met.

Sealed bids for the structural contents of the old Community Center were opened. Ron Tuttle bid \$56 for the windows and casings on the east side of the building; Tim Dunn bid \$35 for the front glass door; Todd Mummert bid \$20 for the kitchen sink and kitchen cupboards and \$20 for the front “Exit” light and \$20 for the rear “Exit” light. Motion by Evans to accept the structural bids on the city owned items, second by Keith. Roll Call vote, “aye” Henkel, Keith, Lindgren, Evans, Ballantyne. “nays” none. Motion carried. There were bids for items that were not “structural” contents and items not owned by the City. Keith and Kai will inventory the community center and list all the remaining items, structural and unattached, owned by the City that are still available for sale. Kai will post a notice for sealed bids for the remaining items.

The citizens present left the meeting.

Mayor Bowen read the Public Works Report from Peterson listing jobs completed and jobs to be done.

Discussion was held on overtime hours worked, weekend hours and daily logs. It was decided to discuss "Personnel" at the next regular council meeting in July.

Discussion was held on the proposed substance abuse policy to be added to the City of Aurelia Employee Handbook. Keith made motion to approve **Resolution #07-08 "Substance Abuse Policy" to be added to the Aurelia Employee Handbook**, second by Evans. Roll Call vote "aye" Lindgren, Keith, Evans, Ballantyne, Henkel. "nays" none. Motion carried.

Discussion was held concerning the need for an extended warranty for the Dodge Durango used by the police department. It was decided it would probably not be worth the premiums that it would cost to have the warranty.

Evans made motion to approve **Resolution #07-06 Directing the Clerk to Publish Notice of Public Hearing to Revise Chapter #50, Amending Provisions Pertaining to the Length of Dense Growth of All Weeds, Vines, Brush or Noxious Growths of Any Kind in the City of Aurelia**, second by Ballantyne. Roll Call Vote "aye" Henkel, Ballantyne, Evans, Keith, Lindgren. "nays" none. Motion carried. The amendment would change the length of grass from eighteen (18) inches tall to twelve (12) inches tall.

Item #16 "Dangerous and Vicious Animals" was tabled until the next regular meeting in July.

Lindgren made motion to approve the renewal of Cigarette Permit for Jakes, second by Keith. Roll Call vote, "aye" Keith, Henkel, Lindgren, Ballantyne, Evans. "nays" none. Motion carried.

Lindgren made motion to approve Liquor License for Woody's, second by Keith. Roll Call vote, "aye" Lindgren, Ballantyne, Evans, Henkel, Keith. "nays" none. Motion carried.

Lindgren made motion to approve Liquor License for Caseys, second by Henkel. Roll Call vote, "aye" Evans, Henkel, Keith, Lindgren, Ballantyne. "nays" none. Motion carried.

Henkel gave the Council a Landfill Report. At the last landfill meeting, motion was made and approved to sign the contract to proceed with the proposed project.

Discussion was held on sub-renting the property at 301 N. Main until the parking lot project would move forward. It was discussed to charge the same rent amount we are currently paying Woltmans. It was decided to get a legal opinion from our City Attorney before proceeding with the sub-renting.

There being no further business to discuss, meeting was adjourned

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Jeff Bowen, Mayor

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Cindy Kai, Deputy City Clerk

