

October 19, 2009

The Aurelia City Council met in regular session on October 19, 2009. Mayor Bowen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with roll call as follows:

Present: Henkel, Evans, Ballantyne, Lindgren, Bowen

Absent: Keith

Also Present: Barb Messerole, Gene Suhr, Mark Sangwin, Howard Dowdy

Mayor Bowen announced Northwest Iowa League of Cities meeting will be Thursday, October 22, 2009, at the Spencer Municipal Golf Clubhouse

Mayor Bowen announced the Council of Mayors Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 18, 2009 at Danny’s Sport Spot at 6:00 pm.

Mayor Bowen announced the Municipal Leadership Academy will begin in December.

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

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

	<u>Revenues</u>	<u>Disbursements</u>
General Funds	16,475.43	9,261.27
Special Revenue Fund	2,638.98	0.00
Local Option Sales Tax	7,147.62	0.00
Road Use Tax	7,643.72	1,756.95
Debt Service	2,916.79	0.00
Expendable Trusts	186.72	0.00
Water Utility	10,714.33	1,912.78
Sewer Utility	9,327.67	1,400.93
Sanitation	5,988.05	6,021.03
Sewer Sinking	4,350.00	4,350.00
Storm Water Utility	472.00	0.00
Improvement Reserve	2,084.00	2,084.00
Water Bond Sinking	1,727.87	1,727.87
Sewer Replacement Reserve		0.00
Payroll		38,696.33
Aurelia Foundation/Community Center		

Bills Payable:

ACCO	Chlorinating & repaired pump	565.67
Aurelia Day Care	1 st qtr 09-10 donation	600.00
Aurelia Library	petty cash	73.04
Aurelia Lumber	steel, flooring Library	2,924.24
Aurelia Mun. Utilities	Sept. utilities	2,647.42
B V Stationery	binders	8.37
Baker & Taylor	Library Books	211.69
Blacktop Services	Resurface Streets	40,582.00
Bomgaars	Sangwin clothing & steering fluid	211.89
Brown Supply Co.	1” valve box riser	85.60

Builders Sharpening	oil filter for skid loader	14.88
Cardis Mfg. Co.	fence at sewer plant	87.50
Cardmember Service	2009 Budget workshop, adwords	134.42
CARS	oil filter for street sweeper	6.00
Casey's	Sept. fuel	356.43
Centurion Technologies	annual maintenance renewal	14.29
Champion Electric	repair hall light fixtures CC	113.60
Cherokee Auto Parts	oil filter, lube filter, drain pan	72.90
Cherokee Co. Solid Waste	contract	1,981.42
Chronicle Times	advertise lots for sale	33.00
Dakota Supply	new water meters	1,180.92
Data Tech	2010 Summit License Support	1,615.36
DEMCO	Library supplies	173.98
Fairmont Fire System	Annual inspection CC	128.00
Ferguson Enterprises	saw blades and down spout	96.43
First Coop	Sept. diesel fuel & seed	165.08
GCC Alliance Concrete	concrete for Council Chambers	203.00
GNeil	Federal Easy Poster	57.99
IACPPPO, Inc.	09-10 Annual Dues	20.00
K-Mart	misc. office supplies	28.96
Long Lines	Sept. cell phones	164.14
Lytle, Allen	rock drill concrete Council Chambers	106.90
Lundell Construction	clean stream & 6" tile & coupling	402.85
MET	water & wastewater tests	359.00
MicroMarketing	Library Books	181.92
MidAmerican Energy	Sept. utilities	45.29
Nu-Telecom	Sept. phone/internet/long distance	352.60
Office Systems Co.	service agreement copy machine	166.19
Perkins Office Solution	ink cartridges, toner, calendars	462.11
Plunkett's	pest control, City Hall & CC	80.40
Postmaster	postage & mail certified letter	5.54
Rhoadside Blooming House	flowers for Langschwager boy	16.49
Sam's Club	annual membership Suhr, Sisco, City	105.00
Sanitary Services	contract	3,885.50
Sayre, Wittgraf, & Meloy	legal advice	615.00
Steve's Window Service	Clean CC windows	38.00
Suhr, Gene	mileage to Police training	110.00
Taste of Home	2009 Holiday & Celebration	29.98
Treasurer, State of Iowa	3 rd Qtr Sales Tax Pool	41.00

Howard Dowdy appeared before Council concerning the stop sign at 6th & Main Streets. Dowdy has seen the stop sign being ran in the evenings and asked the City to enforce stopping at the sign. Bowen encouraged Suhr to patrol the area and enforce the stop sign. Dowdy also discussed with Council the alley behind his property as it is causing water to run into his basement. Dowdy asked the City to grade the humps out of the alley to help water to flow away from his house. Because the TV cable may be very shallow, Bowen requested Sangwin get a locate in the alley and attempt to grade the humps down.

Larry Dierenfield did not appear before Council. Sangwin trimmed trees back in alley and graded alley to straighten it out.

Bill Smith was unable to attend the Council meeting concerning bids for siding on the Library. Item was tabled until next month.

Council discussed Dustin Harrison is interested in purchasing, from the City of Aurelia, the property where his storage sheds are on. A ground lease for 99 (ninety-nine) years commencing on October 1, 1995 and ending on September 30, 2094, was originally signed, as the land is an old landfill. Council agreed to leave as is because of the environmental issues.

Office Suhr had not received any information on a camera for the speed trailer.

Sangwin reviewed with Council the Public Works "Things to do List". Called to get yard waste site ground up; extended couple of valve boxes, winterized swimming pool and bath house; plugged well #2 in Council Chambers; fence done at sewer plant; cleaned another sewer; Blacktop Services completed resurfacing of streets; sprayed weeds around park and pool; sawed cement at park; checked into purchasing chlorine for pool and wells and City purchasing their own pumps, currently pay ACCO for chlorine and rent of the pumps; Bowen requested Sangwin mulch leaves in the park and remove leaves from the fences.

The well in the City Hall Council Chambers was plugged on October 5, 2009. This is well #2 and was a 10" steel casing 303' deep drilled in 1938. This well was taken out of service approximately 25 years ago. A copy of the Abandoned Water Well Record was sent to the Cherokee County Sanitarian and the Iowa Department of Natural Resources.

A Builder Sharpening's bid for a skid loader broom was discussed in the amount of \$4,071.00. This broom will work well for snow and sand removal from City sidewalks and parking lots. Council advised Sangwin to check on availability and they will discuss at November meeting.

Drainage Ditch south of Highway 7 was discussed. A verbal agreement with Bob Neppel, First Coop Manager of Aurelia, was made that First Coop will mow everything east of the drainage ditch to the cardtrol and the City of Aurelia will mow everything west of the drainage ditch to W. 3rd Street, in turn the ditch can be used by the city to haul snow to in the winter. Council agreed to carry out the verbal agreement with First Coop and the City mow west of the drainage ditch and therefore given the right to dump snow on First Coop's property in the winter.

Community Center Board of Trustees held their 1st meeting on Tuesday, October 6, 2009. Minutes of the meeting were discussed. The minutes are not required to be published in the paper, and because of cost, a copy of the minutes will be available at City Hall for public review.

A bid for carpet for Council Chambers and City Hall Office from Jonny Johnson was reviewed. Both rooms can be done for \$2,736.27. The Council Chambers' carpet was removed in order to plug the abandoned well. After further discussion, Lindgren made motion to put new carpet in the Council Chambers and City Hall Office in the amount of \$2,736.27, second by Evans. Roll call vote "aye", Evans, Henkel, Lindgren, Ballantyne "nay" none. Motion carried. Keith absent.

Keith was absent, no new park equipment updates

Evans made motion to approve ***Resolution #09-08 “Resolution Requiring Two Signatures on Checks, Warrants, and Bank Accounts”*** to replace Resolution #09-07, which was approved previously at the September, 2009 meeting, Resolution #09-08 includes the Deputy Clerk as a signer on the checks, second by Lindgren. Roll call vote “aye”, Henkel, Lindgren, Ballantyne, Evans “nay” none. Motion carried. Keith absent.

Resolution #09-09 “Resolution Revising Code of Ordinances by Amending Chapter 23 “Utility Board of Trustees” was reviewed and some changes made, this resolution will be on the November agenda.

Ballantyne made motion to approve ***Resolution #09-11 “Resolution Establishing a Committee Between the City of Aurelia and Municipal Electric”*** second by Henkel. Roll call vote “aye”, Lindgren, Ballantyne, Evans, Henkel “nay” none. Motion carried. Keith absent.

Henkel made motion to approve renewal of Liquor Licenses for the Aurelia Golf Course and Village Boutique, second by Lindgren. Roll call vote “aye”, Ballantyne, Evans, Henkel, Lindgren “nay” none. Motion carried. Keith absent.

Henkel gave landfill report.

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

Jeff Bowen, Mayor

Barb Messerole, City Clerk