

The Aurelia City Council met in regular session on May 17, 2021. Mayor Suhr called meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. with roll call as follows:

Council Members Present: Redig, Baker, Nelson, Johnson | Council Members Absent: Councilman Stroud resigned

Council Member Fassler joined at 6:41 p.m. and was sworn in during meeting

Also Present: Mark Sangwin, Brian Flikeid, Elizabeth Leo, Jake Kurtz, Dustin Wieland, Stephanie McSparran, Kim Huseman, Brooke Noble, Bill Anderson, Mike Bartholomew

- Resolution 21.07 – Action was postponed to later in the meeting to allow Fassler to arrive.
- Baker made motion to approve consent agenda, second by Redig. Roll call vote: “aye”: Nelson, Johnson, Baker, Redig; “nay”: none. Motion carried.

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

APRIL REVENUES	
Property Taxes	\$102,349.12
Other Local Option Tax	\$8,840.16
Licenses & Permits	\$418.00
Use of Money & Property	\$1,164.27
Road Use Tax	\$27,841.35
Water Utility	\$15,016.83
Sewer Utility	\$14,234.31
Landfill & Garbage	\$9,250.54
Storm Water Utility	\$472.00
Miscellaneous	\$10,827.82
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$190,414.40</b>

APRIL DISBURSEMENTS	
General Fund	\$73,514.90
Road Use Tax	\$8,642.05
Special Revenues	\$4,832.27
Local Option Sales Tax	\$1,000.00
Water Utility	\$16,374.72
Sewer Utility	\$10,147.95
Sanitation Utility	\$8,947.45
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$123,459.34</b>

<b>*AMENDED* - MARCH BILLS PAYABLE</b>		
ACCO	new fluoride pumps	\$1,152.19
<b>Alcoholic Beverages Division</b>	<b>CC-Liquor License Renewal</b>	<b>\$936.00</b>
Aurelia Electric	March utilities CH, Lib., CC	\$3,824.73
Aurelia Lumber	shop door lock; new lock and key for office	\$148.40
Aurelia Municipal Utilities	406 customers @ \$9.50	\$3,857.00
Bomgaars	shop supplies; clothing allowance-Mark and Dustin	\$374.87
Builders Sharpening & Service	new Grasshopper mower	\$2,241.60
Cardmember Services	shop supplies; clerk's conference; monthly Amazon membership fee; library books & supplies	\$479.59
Casey's General Stores	March fuel	\$468.84
Cherokee County Recorder	real estate transfer tax	\$15.20
Cherokee County Secondary Roads Dept.	road Salt	\$529.90
Cherokee County Solid Waste	March assessment	\$5,090.45
Chronicle Times	library advertisement - new pt employee	\$71.25
Clover	monthly contract	\$63.49
Counsel	monthly contract	\$96.66
EBSCO	magazine subscription renewals-library	\$572.63

First Abstract & Loan Co.	preparation of abstract of title	\$350.00
First Coop	March fuel	\$582.86
First Financial	CC - March fees charged	\$85.10
Flikeid, Brian	Reimbursement - Police investigation supplies	\$145.00
Foundation Analytical	water testing-waste water and drinking water	\$71.75
FP Mailing Solutions	postage meter - quarterly rent	\$55.42
Iowa Department of Public Health	2021 pool registration	\$35.00
Iowa Workforce Development	1st Qtr 2021 unemployment taxes due	\$52.77
Julius Cleaners	CC - entrance mats	\$30.40
MidAmerican Energy Company	March Gas Bill	\$258.54
Nuvera	CC, Lib, CH, March phone/internet bill	\$668.71
Olsen Welding & Machine Shop	parts for payloader grapple bucket	\$43.00
One Office	office supplies	\$142.42
Plumbing & Heating Wholesale, Inc.	parts for shop heater	\$84.42
Plunkett's Pest Control	general pest control	\$121.87
Pro-Elect	CC annual fire alarm fee	\$300.00
Ryan Diischer Trucking	gravel for alleys	\$1,327.64
Sioux City Journal	annual subscription	\$511.99
Steve's Window Cleaning Service	monthly window cleaning March & April	\$45.00
(The) Storm Lake Times	legal publications & ads for pool, library board, and pt library employee	\$393.88
Sunbelt Insurance Group	412 water loss, 40 water line, 43 sewer line coverage	\$1,015.10
Superior Equipment	payloader - tree removal	\$372.00
T&D Tree Service	tree removal help	\$2,975.00
Triple C Pest Control, LLC	annual pest control, prepay amount	\$1,900.00
U.S. Cellular	March Fire Dept Cell phone bill	\$94.24
Verizon Wireless	March bill	\$294.81
Walmart	City Hall Cleaning Supplies	\$51.64
<b>TOTAL:</b>		<b>\$31,931.36</b>
<b>MAY COUNCIL - APRIL BILLS PAYABLE</b>		
2024 Club Volleyball	Council Donation	\$1,000.00
ACCO	lifeguard chairs/stands	\$8,447.65
Ace Sign Displays, Inc.	remainder of library awning	\$2,447.50
Allen, Kathy	tree stump grinding reimbursement (2)	\$200.00
Arctic Glacier	CC ice delivery	\$52.50
Aurelia Electric	April utilities CH, Lib., CC	\$3,434.48
Aurelia Lumber Company	shop door hinges	\$136.24
Aurelia Municipal Utilities	408 customers @ \$9.50	\$3,876.00
Bezoni, Stacy	tree stump grinding reimbursement (3)	\$300.00
Bomgaars	valve-parks; tree removal supplies; lawn supplies-parks	\$216.18
Cardmember Services	Training - Accomodations; monthly prime; conference accomodations; library books/dvds; fees	\$666.63
Casey's General Stores	April fuel	\$281.23
Cherokee County Solid Waste	April assessment	\$5,090.45
Classy Mini-Storage	black dirt - streets	\$373.40
Clover	monthly contract	\$63.49
Counsel	monthly contract	\$119.43
Erpelding & Sons	snow removal	\$120.00
Fire Proof Plus, Inc	annual inspection	\$45.00
First Coop	April fuel	\$36.22

First Financial	CC - April fees charged	\$27.85
Foundation Analytical	drinking water testing	\$26.00
Heubrock, Mike	tree stump grinding reimbursement (1)	\$100.00
Iowa County Attorneys Association (ICAA)	2021 Iowa Acts of Interest to Law Enforcement workshop	\$70.00
Iowa Department of Public Health	pool construction permit	\$75.00
Iowa Law Enforcement Academy	implicit bias/de-escalation training	\$25.00
Julius Cleaners	CC - entrance mats	\$30.40
Leo, Elizabeth	mileage to spring IMFOA conference 356 @ \$0.50/mile	\$169.50
Lockin Insurance Agency	annual insurance premium 2021/22	\$57,932.50
McCannon, Glenn	tree stump grinding reimbursement (5)	\$500.00
Meendering, Jerry	tree stump grinding reimbursement (2 - 1 lg, 1 sm)	\$150.00
Menards	erosion blankets/no dig-spiral spikes	\$339.74
MidAmerican Energy Company	April Gas Bill	\$155.86
Nuvera	CC, Lib, CH, April phone/internet bill	\$692.29
One Office	office supplies	\$139.69
Plumbing & Heating Wholesale, Inc.	pool supply	\$70.05
Plunkett's Pest Control	general pest control	\$121.87
Ritz, Cathie	tree stump grinding reimbursement (5)	\$500.00
Steve's Window Cleaning Service	monthly window cleaning	\$45.00
Storm Lake Times	legal & ad postings	\$193.70
Sunbelt Insurance Group	412 water loss, 40 water line, 43 sewer line coverage	\$1,015.10
U.S. Cellular	April Fire Dept Cell phone bill	\$88.55
USA Bluebook	hydrant markers	\$55.78
Utility Equipment Company	water service repairs	\$174.99
Verizon Wireless	April bill	\$294.60
Walmart	City Hall cleaning supplies	\$109.09
Wittgraf Law Firm	legal services & consulting	\$340.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>		<b>\$90,348.96</b>

- Mike Bartholomew with Alta-Aurelia Trap Team presented to Council to request donation.
  - Nelson made motion to donate \$1,000.00 to the Alta-Aurelia Trap Team, second by Johnson. Roll call vote: "aye": Johnson, Baker, Redig, Nelson; "nay": none. Motion carried.
- Mary Schulenberg was unable to attend, but called City Hall earlier in the day and gave Leo permission to share request for funds for the Aurelia Little League.
  - Baker made motion to donate \$2,000.00 to the Aurelia Little League, second by Nelson. Roll call vote: "aye": Redig, Johnson, Baker, Nelson; "nay": none. Motion carried.
- Bill Anderson from Cherokee Area Economic Development Corporation presented to Council regarding commercial real estate.
- Redig made motion to approve Resolution 21.07 – A Resolution of Appointment to Fill a Vacancy on the City Council of the City of Aurelia and appoint Brent Fassler to fill Bob Stroud's vacancy on the Aurelia City Council, second by Johnson. Roll call vote: "aye": Nelson, Redig, Johnson, Baker; "nay": none. Motion carried.

- Brent Fassler took oath of office to fill Bob Stroud’s seat until next election.
- Public Works Report was reviewed.
  - Johnson moved to approve Cardis fence bid for the Aurelia Pool fence, second by Nelson. Roll call vote: “aye”: Nelson, Redig, Johnson, Baker; “nay”: none. Motion carried.
- Police report was reviewed.
- Clerk’s report was reviewed.
- Nelson made motion to add Redig as a co-signer on the City’s checking account, second by Baker. Roll call vote, “aye”: Nelson, Baker, Johnson, Fassler; “nay”: none; “abstain”: Redig. Motion carried.
- Redig made motion to temporarily hire Barb Messerole to fill in as needed during City Clerk transition period, due to Leo’s resignation effective May 21, 2021 and McSparran’s start date of June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021, and setting Messerole’s wage at \$30.00/hour, second by Johnson. Roll call vote, “aye”: Fassler, Nelson, Johnson, Redig, Baker; “nay”: none. Motion carried.
- Wage discussion for Lynn Laursen’s hours mowing for the City.
  - Redig made motion to pay Laursen \$12.00 per hour for mowing hours, second by Johnson. Roll call vote, “aye”: Baker, Fassler, Redig, Nelson, Johnson; “nay”: none. Motion carried.
- Sherri Stevenson’s Community Center Board resignation discussed. City is already advertising for Boards, so will continue to do so to fill her seat on the Board.
- Dates for Council’s sponsorship of Community Coffee discussed. Council will sponsor on July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021.
- Discussion of tree reimbursement at 124 Myrtle.
- Sign board discussion.
- Redig made motion to purchase Watchfire Sign: 41” X 8’3” with faces installed on the existing sign for \$25,893.00, second by Johnson. Roll call vote, “aye”: Baker, Johnson, Redig, Fassler, Nelson; “nay”: none. Motion carried.
- Redig made motion to approve Resolution 21.06 – Resolution Amending the Cable Franchise Ordinance, second by Johnson. Roll call vote, “aye”: Fassler, Johnson, Nelson, Baker, Redig; “nay”: none. Motion carried.
- Landfill report was reviewed.

There being no further business to discuss, meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

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Gene Suhr, Mayor

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Elizabeth Leo, City Clerk