

MAY 20, 2024

The Aurelia City Council met in regular session on May 20, 2024. Mayor Weathers called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with roll call as follows:

Council Members Present: Bruce, Johnson, Fassler, Nelson, Redig

Council Members Absent: none

Also Present: Steph McSparran, Mark Sangwin, Dustin Wieland, Brian Flieked, Kim Huseman, Brooke Sievers, Jeff Buehler, Kent Ahnemann

- Redig made motion to approve consent agenda, second by Bruce. Roll call vote: “aye”: Redig, Nelson, Fassler, Johnson, Bruce “nay”: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Minutes of previous meeting

Clerk/Treasurer & Investment Reports/Bills Payable

APRIL REVENUES	
Property Taxes	\$15,337.58
Local Option Sales Tax	\$11,450.10
Use of Money & Property	\$7,957.92
Road Use Tax	\$7,892.77
Water Utility	\$16,495.48
Sewer Utility	\$14,117.17
Landfill/Garbage	\$9,922.45
Storm Water Utility	\$471.00
Miscellaneous	\$3,546.50
Other Fees & Charges	\$229.00
Licenses & Permits	\$892.00
Local Grants/Reimburse	\$2,392.50
TOTAL	\$90,704.47

APRIL DISBURSEMENTS	
General Fund	\$35,302.36
Road Use Tax	\$2,286.42
Special Revenues	\$6,403.84
Water Utility	\$10,186.62
Sewer Utility	\$8,660.37
Sanitation Utility	\$9,635.39
Expendable Trust	\$902.54
TOTAL	\$73,377.54

MAY COUNCIL - BILLS PAYABLE		
Aurelia Electric	utilities	\$3,942.28
Aurelia Utilities	garbage customers	\$4,634.50
Aurelia Library	replenish petty cash	\$71.23
Aurelia Lumber	shelterhouse door, signs materials	\$1,220.73
AgState	fuel	\$335.52
AT&T Firstnet	cell phone,hotspot	\$876.37
Arnold Motor	topcoat hardener	\$33.40
Bekins Fire & Safety	annual hood inspection cc	\$157.55
Bomgaars	lawn bags, seed,wrench,bulbs	\$560.85
Cardmember Services	fuel,books,police registration,prime	\$1,097.45
Carquest	mower filters	\$45.84
Cherokee Co Solid Waste	monthly assessment	\$5,090.45
Cherokee Co Treasurer	property taxes	\$25.00
Clover	pos fees cc	\$74.09
Connor Beeck Window Cleaning	window cleaning cc	\$50.00
Denny Weathers	registration	\$80.00
Document Depot	shredding	\$24.50
Ebsco	magazine subscriptions	\$511.69

First Abstract	abstracts(2)	\$850.00
First Financial	pos fees cc	\$35.63
Foundation Analytical	water testing	\$263.25
Hallet Materials	gravel	\$283.84
HomeServe	water,sewer loss ins	\$1,157.20
I & S	engineering services	\$1,270.19
Iowa One Call	locates	\$22.95
Jacqueline Swank	cc refund	\$325.00
Julius Cleaners	mats cleaning	\$53.12
Metering & Technology	water meters	\$953.76
MidAmerican	utilities	\$601.22
Northside Lake Truck Repair	skid loader repair	\$30.84
Nuvera	phone,internet svc	\$793.49
One Office	envelopes,toner,paper,ink	\$35.62
Plunkett's	pest control	\$229.47
Power Solutions	fire alarm batteries	\$122.27
Service First Fire Sprinkler	annual fire sprinkler inspection	\$1,395.75
Stille, Pierce, & Pertzborn	insurance FY25	\$81,385.59
Sunset Law Enforcement	ammunition	\$509.00
The Storm Lake Times	legal publications,subscription	\$658.39
U. S. Cellular	cell phone fd	\$96.84
Verizon	cellphones	\$127.83
VisualEdge IT	copier contract	\$140.74
Walmart	office,summer reading supplies	\$194.32
Winwater Sioux Falls	toilets(4)	\$1,297.78
TOTAL:		\$111,665.54

Jeff Buehler from United Bank of Iowa spoke about the services they provide for the City of Aurelia. A finance committee will be put into place. Roman Redig and Courtney Bruce will head up this committee. Brooke Sievers from ISG gave updates on the final change order and payout for the water/wastewater projects.

Nelson made motion to approve ISG change order #2, Rectify quantities, Water & Sewer Improvements, second by Redig. All members present voting "aye". Motion carried.

Redig made motion to approve Deer Valley Mechanical pay request #6-Final, Water & Sewer Improvements, in the amount of \$20,447.38, second by Johnson. All members present voting "aye". Motion carried

The water system investigation furnished by ISG, water tower, and wells were discussed.

Redig made motion to approve ISG Proposal: Short form agreement between owner & engineer for elevated water tower & well no. 5, in the amount of \$58,300.00, second by Bruce. All members present voting "aye". Motion carried.

Council discussed raising water rates to prepare for future water projects. A public hearing will be set at the special council meeting on May 29, 2024.

Public Works report was given.

Redig made motion to approve gutters for the library in the amount of \$660.00, second by Nelson. All members present voting "aye". Motion carried.

Blacktop Services proposal was tabled until the May 29 special council meeting.

There was discussion on what should be done about the evergreen trees in the park near Scout Hall.

Police report was given.

Clerks report was given.

Redig made motion to approve Corrective Resolution 24-01 "**Resolution Setting Time and Place for a Public Hearing to Sell Real Estate in Aurelia, Iowa**", second by Bruce. All members present voting "aye". Motion carried.

Redig made motion to approve Corrective Resolution 24-05 "**Resolution Setting Time and Place for a Public Hearing to Sell Real Estate in Aurelia, Iowa**", second by Nelson. All members present voting "aye". Motion carried.

Redig made motion to approve Casey's liquor license, second by Bruce. All members present voting "aye". Motion carried.

Utility board member approval was tabled until May 29 special council meeting.

Hiring a new city attorney was discussed.

Alexa Fredericksen was approved to teach swimming lessons at the pool.

Income survey for the City of Aurelia was discussed. Results should be back by the end of May.

Redig made motion to approve the Beautify Iowa Program, second by Johnson. All members present voting "aye". Motion carried.

Landfill report was given.

There being no further business to discuss, meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Dennis Weathers, Mayor

Stephanie McSparran, City Clerk