

JANUARY 19, 2026

The Aurelia City Council met in regular session on January 19, 2026. Mayor Redig called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. with roll call as follows:

Council Members Present: Nelson, Johnson, Fassler, Bruce

Council Members Absent: Bleil

Also Present: Steph McSparran, Brian Flikeid, Dustin Wieland, Mark Sangwin, Denny Weathers, Deb Galvin, Les Todd, Jill Byers, Bill Anderson, Diane Young

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

Minutes of previous meeting/Clerk/Treasurer & Investment Reports/Bills Payable

DECEMBER REVENUES	
Property Tax	\$14,890.74
Local Option Sales Tax	25,703.94
Use of Money & Property	\$2,880.66
Road Use Tax	\$10,741.65
Water Utility	\$25,928.46
Sewer Utility	\$13,581.78
Landfill/Garbage	\$10,135.80
Storm Water Utility	\$473.00
Licenses & permits	\$5.00
Miscellaneous	\$4,771.10
Fed Grants/Reimbrsmnts	\$10,000.00
Local Grants/Reimbrsmnts	\$2,790.60
Other Fees/Charges	\$280.00
Proceeds of Debt(GO Bond)	\$527,268.27
TOTAL	\$649,451.00

DECEMBER DISBURSEMENTS	
General Fund	\$32,707.39
Road Use	\$3,017.96
Special Revenues	\$5,220.95
Water Utility	\$12,673.95
Sewer Utility	\$9,365.03
Sanitation Utility	\$9,766.42
Storm Water Utility	\$17.00
Debt Services	\$11,394.76
Capital Projects	\$142,006.17
TOTAL	\$226,169.63

JANUARY COUNCIL - BILLS PAYABLE		
Aurelia Electric	utilities	\$4,577.42
Aurelia Utilities	garbage customers,bad debt writeoffs water	\$5,447.46
Aurelia Lumber	water/shop supplies	\$46.49
Acco	chlorine	\$550.80
AgState	fuel	\$1,214.58
AT&T Firstnet	cell phone,hotspot	\$263.25
Blue Lake Websites	updates,ADA compliance	\$1,470.00
Bomgaars	ppe, shop supplies	\$80.90
Builders Sharpening	skid loader parts	\$335.96
C & B Operations	oil,fuel filters	\$167.10
Cardmember Services	books,fuel,postage,registrations	\$1,458.33
Carquest	fluid for dump truck	\$199.12
Cherokee Co Secondary Roads	road salt	\$826.65
Cherokee Chronicle Times	legal publications	\$125.58
Cherokee Co Solid Waste	monthly assessment	\$5,090.45

Clerk of Court	court costs	\$190.00
Clover	pos fees cc	\$112.24
Coast to Coast	police supplies kids	\$291.65
Connor Beeck Window	window cleaning	\$50.00
Crary Huff	legal fees	\$3,577.83
Econo Signs	signs	\$362.41
First Financial	pos fees cc	\$116.85
Foundation Analytical	water/ww testing	\$238.75
4E Services	snow removal	\$100.00
Hallett Materials	fill sand	\$640.44
Hess Auto Repair	police vehicle maint/tires	\$849.61
HomeServe	water,sewer loss ins	\$1,265.70
HyVee	liquor,bar supplies cc	\$172.14
Iowa One Call	locates	\$22.50
Iowa Workforce Devlpmnt	unemployment	\$13.94
Julius Cleaners	mats,tablecloths cleaning	\$197.12
Little Falls Machine	snow plow parts	\$473.62
MidAmerican	utilities	\$444.14
Mid States Organized Crime	membership fee	\$100.00
Mike's Electronics	service call	\$110.00
Nuvera	phone,internet svc	\$780.26
One Office	office supplies	\$84.73
Plumbing & Heating Wholesale	service charge	\$24.40
Plunkett's	pest control	\$467.80
Rebnord Technologies	IT services	\$1,949.85
SCE	sewer repair	\$2,771.53
Simmering Cory	codification	\$111.00
Storey Kenworthy	utility bills	\$454.18
TCY Machine	snowplow repair	\$145.83
Verizon	cell phone,hotspot	\$76.96
VisualEdge IT	copier contract	\$146.85
TOTAL:		\$38,196.42

Nelson made motion to open ***“Public Hearing on proposal to enter into a Water Revenue Loan and Disbursement Agreement”***, second by Johnson. All members present voting “aye”. Absent: Bleil. Motion carried.

Bruce made motion to open ***“Public Hearing to sell real estate in Aurelia, Iowa”***, second by Fassler. All members present voting “aye”. Absent: Bleil. Motion carried.

Jill Byers discussed Cherokee State Bank’s new branch in Aurelia and the services they could provide for the city.

Bruce made motion to move the City of Aurelia general fund checking account to Cherokee State Bank, second by Johnson. All members voting “aye”. Absent: Bleil. Motion carried.

Bill Anderson represented Cherokee Area Economic Development and gave a summary of what they have accomplished in 2025.

Deb Galvin with Hometown Pride discussed 10 more trees for residents and the grant they are receiving for them.

Nelson made motion for the city to pay \$626.00 toward the cost of the trees, second by Bruce. All members present voting “aye”. Absent: Bleil. Motion carried.

Denny Weathers with Aurelia Economic Development discussed new pickle ball courts and the grant they are submitting for that.

Nelson made motion for the city to give \$5,000.00 towards the first phase of the pickle ball courts project, second by Bruce. All members voting "aye". Absent: Bleil. Motion carried.

Public works report was given.

Police report was given.

Discussed estimates for new police vehicle.

Nelson made motion for Chief Flikeid to order a Ford Police Interceptor from Stivers Midwest Pro Upfitters, second by Bruce. All members voting "aye". Absent: Bleil. Motion carried.

Clerk report was given.

Nelson made motion to approve Accura Healthcare Agreement, second by Fassler. All members present voting "aye". Absent: Bleil. Motion carried.

Fassler made motion to approve Haselhoff Construction pay application #5 in the amount of \$68,419.30, second by Bruce. All members present voting "aye". Absent: Bleil. Motion carried.

Bruce made motion to approve Fire Department officers as follows: Luke Erpelding as Fire Chief, Jim Bezoni as 1st Assistant Chief, Mark Lindgren as 2nd Assistant Chief, Dustin Wieland as Foreman, and Cindy Nelson as Secretary, second by Fassler. Roll call vote "aye": Fassler, Johnson, Bruce. Absent: Bleil. Abstained: Nelson. Motion approved.

Nelson made motion to approve tax abatement for 204 Honeysuckle Lane, second by Bruce. All members present voting "aye". Absent: Bleil. Motion carried.

Nelson made motion to close "**Public Hearing on proposal to enter into a Water Revenue Loan and Disbursement Agreement**", second by Fassler. All members voting "aye". Absent: Bleil. Motion carried.

Bruce made motion to close "**Public Hearing to sell real estate in Aurelia, Iowa**", second by Johnson. All members voting "aye". Absent: Bleil. Motion carried.

Nelson made motion to approve Resolution 25-18 "**Resolution taking additional action with respect to a Water Revenue Loan and Disbursement Agreement and authorizing, approving and securing the payment of a \$601,300 Water Revenue Loan and Disbursement Agreement Anticipation Project Note (IFA Interim Loan and Disbursement Agreement)**", second by Bruce. All members present voting "aye". Absent: Bleil. Motion carried.

Nelson made motion to approve Resolution 25-17 "**A Resolution Disposing of an Interest in Real Estate Owned by the City of Aurelia, Iowa**", second by Johnson. All members present voting "aye". Absent: Bleil. Motion carried.

The regular council meetings in February and March will be held February 23rd and March 23rd respectively. Landfill report was given.

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

Roman Redig, Mayor

Steph McSparran, City Clerk