

The Aurora City Council met in Regular session on Monday March 09, 2020 at the Aurora Little Hall.
Present: Mayor Fred Weekes, Council Members Dale Dixon, Jon Geise, Allen Pace .
Absent : Josh Kukrall

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mayor Weekes.

An invitation to anyone wanting to add an item to agenda for next meeting.

M/S – Geise, Dixon. Approve agenda Carried

M/S – Geise, Dixon to approve Minutes from all February Meetings. Carried.

M/S – Dixon, Geise to approve February 2020 Financial Report. Carried.

M/S – Geise, Dixon to approve payment of March bills. Carried.

Allegra \$126.29 office supplies, Appeara \$217.89 - cleaning supplies, Aurora Quick Stop \$974.76 gas, Banner Associates \$1,144.00 engineering fees, Brookings County Sheriff \$1,595.65 contract law, Brookings Municipal Utilities \$9,993.30 water purchase, Brookings Register \$78.05 publishing, Carquest Auto \$73.04 parts/shop, Century Business Products \$108.90 office supplies, City of Aurora Utilities \$1,409.15 electric, Cook's Wastepaper \$8,481.86 garbage collection, Culligan \$89.50 water coolers/water, Dakota Pump & Control \$938.19 sewer repairs, parts, Dept. of Energy \$3,725.48 electric purchase, EFTPS \$2,457.08 withholdings, First Bank & Trust Visa \$1,484.09 city credit -supplies, GovOffice \$630.00 website yearly fees, Heartland \$41,653.61 electric purchase, Heartland \$1,255.29 loan payments, ITC \$486.35 phone/internet/fax, Jarrod Marquette \$19.72 reimbursement, Joe Mersch \$210.55, John Muller \$4,590.51 wages, Lowes \$45.54 supplies for buildings, Mcleod \$233.83 supplies for elections, North Western Energy \$631.51 natural gas, Runnings \$231.39 supplies ,parts shop, SDML \$78.00 meeting fees, SDRS \$1,062.32 retirement, SD State Treasurer \$3,183.92 electric and garbage tax, Shannon Freng \$2,783.14 wages, Stan Houston \$795.00 sewer supplies, Steve Klingbile \$18.81 reimbursement, Two Way Radio \$129.98 FD repairs, Wellmark \$535.15 health insurance, Yasel Gonzalez \$126.29 deposit refund.

Item number 7 on the agenda, Surplus and Method of disposal of a City owned building, was tabled.

Special Exception Application 20-01, submitted by Kristina Nelson was discussed. Geise made motion to approve the exception with the Zoning Boards recommendations. Dixon second the motion. Carried.

Resolution 20-06 - Authorization of consumption of alcohol on specific City owned property Gala Days.
M/S Dixon, Geise. Carried

Resolution 20-07 - Establishing the City of Aurora as a "2nd Amendment Sanctuary". M/S Geise, Dixon.
Carried.

Resolution 20-08 - Authorizing application for financial assistance and submittal of grant application. M/S Pace, Geise. Carried.

Pat Tingle with the AEC (Aurora Event Committee) was present. He mentions February 21st was bingo night and they had a great turnout. March 20th will be the next bingo night. May 1st is the adult prom with formal wear. They talked to Valero about using land for a tractor pull for Gala Days. John mentions them using the already existing gravel roadway by the ball diamond.

Board of Adjustments meeting will be held on the 19th of March.

Mark Potthast with the Fire Department gave the report for the department. They had 4 calls this past month. Mark mentions building an auger for silo rescues and the department will also be attending some training classes as well.

John Muller gives the maintenance report. Dates for the Cleanup day in Aurora were discussed and the City will be talking to Cook's Wastepaper for available days. John mentions the lagoons and sewer

projects which includes a bigger force main and will require more space. He states that Josh Spilde offered to sell some land to the City for \$20,000 allowing the City to add a force main and future improvements, as well as possible area for water drainage for that area of town. Dixon asks about any costs of all paperwork, preparations, ground work, and materials. Those numbers depend on what is done and when. Pat Tingle mentions his concerns of the land being sold to the City for too much money compared to what it is worth. Geise makes a motion to purchase the land. Pace seconds the motion. Carried.

M/S Geise, Pace to adjourn. Carried.

Shannon Freng
Finance Officer

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