

The Aurora City Council met in regular session on June 06, 2022, at the Little Hall.

Mayor Jones called the meeting to order at 6:00pm and started with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance: David Schuttloffel, Jon Geise, Josh Kukrall and Nancy Price.

M/S Price, Schuttloffel to approve agenda. Carried.

There was a brief discussion on ways to improve on readiness for storms and storm shelter.

M/S Price, Geise to approve May meeting minutes with a correction to the Sanitary Sewer Lift Station improvements 2022 project bid amounts. The corrected amount is \$2,038,390.00 for schedule 1 and 2 with the award going to Halme Inc. Carried.

M/S Kukrall, Price to approve the May financial reports. Carried.

M/S Kukrall, Price to approve payment of all June bills. Carried.

Appears \$94.96 – cleaning supplies, Aurora Quick Stop \$1,527.99 – gas & water, Austreim Landscaping \$16,832.04 – services & tree haul, Brookings County Sheriff \$1,595.65 – law contract, Brookings Municipal Utilities \$14,635.64 – water purchase, Brookings Register \$253.15 – publishing, Bruces Repair \$131.39 – FD truck repairs, Century Business Products \$212.15 – fax, copier, City of Aurora Utilities \$1,126.05 – electric, Collin Kneip \$3,483.83 – wages, Cook's Wastepaper \$5,937.33 garbage and storm collection, Culligan \$10.00 – water cooler, Dakota Portable Toilet \$200.00 – storm bathrooms, Danko Emergency Equipment \$406.12 – FD supplies, Dept. of Energy \$3,263.06 – Electric purchase, Dept. Of Health \$563.64 – water samples, EFTPS \$2,731.33 – withholdings, First Bank & Trust \$40,081.21 – substation loan payment, First Bank & Trust Visa \$899.49 – city and fd supplies, Gene Judd \$90.00 – tiling service, Heartland \$49,764.11 – electric purchase and loans, Homestead \$3,165.02 – wellhouse supplies, ITC \$493.08 – phones, internet, Joe Mersch \$2,297.92 – wages, Lemkes \$19.50 - Mi-Tech Services \$1,130.00 – supplies, North Western Energy \$444.17 – natural gas, Redmond Road Repair \$706.18 – loader repairs, Runnings \$1,038.78 – shop supplies, SDRS \$479.04 – retirement, SD State Treasurer \$2,731.33 – taxes, Shannon Freng \$3,044.06 – wages, Spilde Electric \$86.70 – electric service, Wellmark \$467.88 – Kneip Health Insurance,

There was discussion on the Phase II sewer project State ARPA Grant dollars that were awarded to the City and the possible amendments needed to the project plans. M/S Kukrall, Geise to approve and accept the grant package of \$2,404,830 offered by the State for the project. Carried.

There was discussion on possible secondary water sources for Aurora. Jones asks the council to consider an updated water study be conducted by Banner Associates to help find options that would work for the City. M/S Geise, Kukrall to approve an updated water study. Carried.

Pat Tingle with the AEC was present. He mentions Gala Days is coming up in August. The group got a new shed and concrete pad at the park building and asks that the City be willing to pay for half of the cost of concrete. M/S Kukrall, Geise to pay half. Carried.

Mike Ahartz – FD report – 14 calls in the month. There were a few gas leaks they got called to after the May 12<sup>th</sup> storm. Ahartz asks that a sign be put up for the shelter and mentions the need for a generator to keep the shelter open and safe in case of storms and emergencies. Ahartz also bring up the 4<sup>th</sup> of July coming soon and the needs for the down trees being picked up as soon as possible to ensure fires are not started.

Collin Kneip – Maintenance report – Sewer project is continuing this week. Storm clean up is still going. Water tower maintenance and inspections will be next week.

M/S Price, Kukrall to go into executive session to discuss personnel. Carried.

M/S Geise, Schuttloffel to come out of executive. Carried.

M/S Schuttloffel, Price to require a man-hour study. Carried.

M/S Geise, Schuttloffel to adjourn meeting. Carried.

Shannon Freng

Finance Officer

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