

Aurora City Council held regular session on Monday, March 11, 2024 at 6:00pm in the Aurora Fire Hall.

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

Roll Call – Geise, Kukrall, Price, Schuttloffel

Public Comment: none

M/S Geise, Kukrall to approve agenda. Carried.

M/S Price, Schuttloffel to approve financial reports. Carried.

M/S Schuttloffel, Kukrall to approve February financial reports. Carried.

M/S Geise, Schuttloffel to approve payment of all March bills. Carried.

Aurora Quick Stop \$600.43 – gas, Austreim Excavating \$4,754.00 – repairs, Avid Hawk \$49.00 – website, Banner Associates \$90,000.00 – engineering fees, Bob Charging \$1,646.35 – wages, Brookings County Sheriff \$1,595.65 – contract law, Brookings Municipal Utilities \$7,816.54 – water purchase & electric repair, Brookings Register \$101.90 – publishing, Butler Machinery \$99.34 – part for loader, Century Business Products \$117.02 – printer fees, City of Aurora \$1,209.81 – utilities, Collin Kneip \$4,411.17 – wages, Dakota Pump & Control \$11,188.80 – well house pump, Danko \$1,461.55 – F.D. gear, Delta Dental \$58.50 – dental insurance, Department of Energy \$4,339.83 – electric, Dinges Fire Co. \$22,570.00 – F.D. gear, EFTPS \$3,322.19 – withholdings, ELO Prof. \$3,000.00 – annual reports, Evan Relien \$58.18 – deposit refund, First Bank & Trust Visa \$234.22 – supplies, Heartland Power \$36,417.12 – electric, Heartland \$1,255.29 – IRP loans, I&S Group \$4,196.10 – engineering fees, Isabella Aviles \$200.00 – deposit refund, ITC \$411.10 – phones, internet, Karolynn Marsan \$80.22 – deposit refund, Kayla McCarthy \$887.64 – FD retirement, Lowe’s \$980.90 – shop & park supplies, North Western Energy \$460.04 – natural gas, Pitney Bowes \$17.98 – postages, Preferred Mechanical \$2,222.07 – repair services, Redmond Road Repair \$2,152.67 – repairs to loader, SD Public Assurance Alliance \$628.46 – insurance, SDRS \$1,195.86 – retirement, SD State Treasurer \$3,560.75 – taxes, SD One Call \$3.36 – locates, Shannon Freng \$3,723.94 – wages, VSP Vision Care \$16.94 – vision insurance, Wellmark \$537.50 – health insurance,

M/S Schuttloffel, Price to approve second reading of Ordinance 345 – Snow removal. Carried.

M/S Geise, Kukrall to approve Resolution 24-02 – Sewer Surcharge CW-05. Carried.

Mike Williams was present with NorthWestern Energy and presented a new franchise agreement for a 10 year period with Aurora. M/S Geise, Price to approve 1st reading of Ordinance 346 – NorthWestern Energy Franchise Agreement. Carried.

Andrew Underwood with the fundraising committee, talks about getting ideas together for fundraising once they get the building drawings.

Pat Tingle – Aurora Event Committee – March 22nd – Bingo will be a fundraiser for a child who has been diagnosed with cancer. Jones mentions that the council had donated bikes last year for the Easter Egg hunt for kids and is wondering if the City would want to donate again. Price mentions that there will be baskets for winners this year donated by a local business.

Fire Dept. – Mike Ahartz – 3 Fire Calls – 1 EMS call over the past month.

M/S Price, Geise to approve publication of bidding for Phase II sewer project. Carried.

Maintenance report – Collin Kneip – He mentions getting a few speed limit signs around Aurora. Collin mentions his road repair plans for the year and also brings up the Multi-Community Chip Seal Project with the help of Banner Associates. After talk about the project, there was a motion by Geise, second by Kurall to approve the chip seal project. Carried.

Clean up Day discussion. M/S Price, Kukrall to hold clean up day on April 26th, 2024. Carried.

M/S Geise, Kukrall to adjourn. Carried