

The Council met in a Regular Session on Monday May 13, 2024 at 6:00pm in the Aurora Fire Hall.

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

Roll Call: Geise (by phone), Kukrall, Price, Schuttloffel

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

Public Comment: Janii White talked about the Summit Pipeline and wants it go to a public vote due to safety concerns. Craig Ulrich wanted clarification on the phase II sewer project and phase III sewer projects. He also asked about Aurora City sewer getting hooked onto Brookings. There was brief discussion on these topics. Mr. Ulrich also asked about the pipeline and how that will affect any future projects within the City of Aurora. Andrew Underwood wants project updates added to future agendas.

M/S Geise, Schuttloffel to approve April meeting minutes. Carried.

M/S Price, Schuttloffel to approve April financial report. Carried.

M/S Kukrall, Geise to approve second reading and adoption of Ordinance 347 - Prohibiting Parking. Carried.

Re-organization of Council with a new Council Member.

Ryan Meyer and David Schuttloffel took their oaths of office.

M/S Schuttloffel , Price to have Jon Geise as President of the Council. Carried.

M/S Schuttloffel, Geise to have Nancy Price as Vice Presidnet. Carried.

M/S Price, Schuttloffel to have Ryan Meyer as head of Streets and Electricity. Carried.

M/S Geise, Schuttloffel to have Nancy Price as head of Parks. Carried.

M/S Price, Geise to have David Schuttloffel as head of Police and Fire. Carried.

M/S Price, Meyer to have Jon Geise as head of Water and Sewer. Carried.

M/S Geise, Price to approve payment of May bills. Carried.

Agwrx \$23.10 - weed chemical, Aurora Quick Stop \$639.92 - gas, Austreim Excavating \$510.00 - blade alleys, Banner Associates \$36,987.00 - engineering fees, Batteries Plus \$444.12 - FD supplies, Bob Charging \$2,508.20 - wages, Bowne Gravel LLC \$188.44 - gravel, Brookings County Sheriff \$1,595.65 - contract law, Brookings Municipal Utilities \$9,318.90 - water purchase, Brookings Register \$528.75 - publishing, Century Business Products \$123.88 - printer fees, City of Aurora \$1,046.68 - utilities, City of Brookings Landfill \$1,031.75 - clean up day fees, Collin Kneip \$4,574.98 - wages, Cook's Wastepaper \$6,299.35 - clean up day and garbage pickup, David Schuttloffel \$997.38 - council pay, Dept. of Energy \$4,679.45 - electric purchase, DGR \$114.00 - engineering fees, Doug Stein \$662.10 - diesel,

EFTPS \$3,242.86 - withholdings, First Bank & Trust Visa \$564.93 - city & fd supplies/gas, Heartland \$1,255.29 - IRP loan payments, Heartland Power \$29,102.25 - electric purchase, Heiman Fire Equipment \$236.95 - FD supplies, I & S Group \$2,796.25 - engineer fees, I'll do it constructors \$1,000.00 - concrete at parks, ITC \$414.15 - phone/internet, Jon Geise \$997.38 - council pay, Josh Jones \$2,231.97 - Mayor pay, Josh Kukrall \$886.56 - council pay, Kerry's Landscaping \$2,360.03 - ballfield lawn service, Locators & Supplies \$127.23 - locating supplies, Lowe's \$350.60 - ballfield supplies, Nancy Price \$1,219.02 - council pay, North Western Energy \$251.94 - natural gas, Prussman Contracting \$480.00 - jetting sewer line, Runnings \$128.65 - shop supplies, SD Federal Property \$40.00 - FD supplies, SDPAA \$39,811.69 - city insurance, SDRS \$1,136.74 - retirement, SD State Treasurer \$3,331.22 - taxes, Shannon Freng \$3,671.99 - wages, South Dakota One Call \$25.76 - locates, US Bancorp \$22,563.36 - phase I payment, Wellmark \$537.50 - insurance, Young Door Service \$302.63 - pmi service on doors

Aurora will be receiving the Jackrabbit playground from Hillcrest School as surplus property. Price explains the plans and explains that they will be asking for volunteers to help take the playground down. Photos of the playground will be added to the website for residents to view. Motion by Schuttloffel, second by Price to approve the waiver of liability and assumption of risk of use of playground equipment agreement. Motion was Carried.

M/S Geise, Price to approve Resolution 24-06 - Drinking Water Bond Resolutions. Carried.

Dennis Rebelein, Scot Leddy and Deidre Beck were present after being asked to do a presentation on Banner Associates and what they can offer the City of Aurora. It was stated that Banners is the largest South Dakota based engineering firm. Scot mentioned that two Banner employees live in Aurora. They mention the past and present projects they have worked on and some of the great improvements they have seen with those for the community. Deidre mentions that Banners has completed the Drinking Water facility Plan and how they are currently working on the Water tower project with Aurora along with the many sewer upgrades. Items mentioned about the specialized services including: architecture/structural services, funding assistance services, facility and capital improvement services and easement, right of way services, certified coating services for water towers, GIS services, Development review and strategic communications, platting, zoning and many other services as well. Schuttloffel asks Banners how being the engineers for the City of Aurora and Developers in Aurora at the same time works. Scot talks about how Banners ensure that they have separate engineer groups that deal with the Developers and the Cities.

Justin Heim and Dane Ekrom with ISG were present to discuss the Capital Improvement Plan and asks for adoption of the CIP report. Price asks about the annual reviews and about any follow up from ISG after the CIP is adopted. John Muller asks the cost of the CIP and the cost of annual reviews. It was said that the CIP cost of \$25,000 and the annual review would be based on hourly rates. Motion Price, Schuttloffel to accept the CIP. Carried.

Andrew Underwood with the Fundraising Committee asks about the Economic Development Corporation and how the set up is going. Jones is still working on the set up of the EDO and hopes to have one going in the near future.

Mike Ahartz - Fire Dept. report. 4 EMS calls and 4 Fire calls. Fire Dept. was open for the recent tornado warning to help families. There was a lot of discussion about the can donations and what the money is used for. There were questions asked about the amount of cans being stored and when they will get those cleaned up. Jones mentions being willing to letting them use his trailer to help them. Ahartz wants the electric looked at in the Fire Hall.

Collin Kneip - Ballfield is wrapped up. Phase II construction will be starting soon this week.

M/S Geise, Meyer to adjourn. Carried.