

The Council met in Regular session on Monday January 6, 2025 at 6:00pm in the Aurora Maintenance Shop.

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

Roll Call: Geise, Meyer, Price and Schuttloffel

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

Comments: Mayor Jones states that the Brookings County has allocated \$2 million towards 214th St for 2025. They will gravel and try to widen the road and make other improvements as well.

M/S Geise, Price to approve December meeting minutes. Carried

M/S Schuttloffel, Meyer to approve December 2024 financial reports. Carried.

M/S Schuttloffel, Geise to approve payment of January bill listing. Carried.

Banner Associates \$6,260.99 - engineering fees, Brookings County Sheriff \$1,595.65 - contract, Brookings Municipal Utilities \$7,559.06 - water, Brookings Register \$87.83 - publishing, Butler Machinery Co. \$321.92 - repair to loader, City of Aurora Utilities \$1,642.84 - utilities, Delta Dental \$58.50, Dept. of Energy \$5,130.32- electric, DGR & Associates \$1,098.50 - engineering fees, EFTPS \$5,184.72 - withholdings, First Bank & Trust Visa \$1,156.88 - supplies - shop and fire dept., First National Bank \$3,002.63 - lagoon payment, Halme Inc. \$192,443.22 - phase II sewer project, Heartland \$44,531.97 - electric, Isabel Roth \$61.50 - reimbursement for fire dept. supplies, ITC \$384.28 - phone/internet, NorthWestern Energy \$356.88 - natural gas, Robert Charging \$502.80- wages, SD State Treasurer \$4,300.26 - taxes, SDRS \$1,049.94 - retirement, SD Rural Water \$590.00 - annual dues, Shannon Freng \$1,895.94 - wages, Shannon Stuefen \$1,793.17 - wages, SouthEast Firefighters Assoc. \$100.00 - annual dues, Spilde Electric \$535.50 - temp hook ups, Steven Britzman \$816.00 - legal services, Unemployment Ins. \$3.96, VSP \$16.94 - vision insurance, Wellmark \$604.46 - health insurance,

Jones states that annual municipal election will be April 8th, 2025.

M/S Price, Schuttloffel to keep Brookings Register as official news paper. Carried.

M/S Geise, Meyer to keep First Bank & Trust as official bank. Carried.

M/S Price, Schuttloffel to keep Steven Britzman as official City attorney. Carried.

M/S Geise, Meyer to keep Council and Mayor pay the same. Carried.

Brief discussion on Ordinance 353 - pertaining to flood damage prevention in the City. M/S Geise, Schuttloffel to approve 1st reading. Carried.

M/S Price, Geise to approve participating in the 2025 asphalt surface treatment project contract. Carried.

Andrew Underwood - fundraising committee. Still planning on the possibility of having a concert here in Aurora. Bingo will be held on January 24th at Lemkes.

Mike Ahartz - Fire Dept report. 4 EMS and 4 Fire Calls. Provided the Roster.

M/S Schuttloffel, Geise to approve roster. Carried.

Maintenance Report - Stuefen - Safety Benefits has recommended that the City of Aurora get a tripod for confined spaces.

M/S Schuttloffel, Price to go into executive session. Carried.

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

M/S Schuttloffel, Meyer to regular session. Carried

M/S Price, Geise

27-28 - stuefen

21.15 to 22 - BOB

26.37 - 29 - Shannon

M/S Geise, Schuttloffel adjourn. Carried.