

Minutes  
Auburn City Council  
August 11, 2014

The Auburn City council was called to order by Mayor Verdi Maunu at 6:00 PM with members Cindy Finley, Jane Barto, Randy Schulte, Justin Potthoff and Janelle King present. Employees: Gerry Blessington and Nancy Janssen. Guests: Dustin Hook, Luke Richardson, Larry Finley, James Bagley, Jim Gossett, Paula Pudenz and Jason Ludwig.

Motion by King, seconded by Finley to approve the agenda. All voted Aye. Motion by Finley, seconded by King to approve the consent agenda which included the minutes of the July 21, 2014 meeting, Sheriff's, Treasurer's and financial reports, claims and payroll. Voting Aye: Barto, Schulte, Potthoff, King and Finley.

As published in the Tri-County Special, it being the time and place to open bids submitted for power line trimming within the City limits. Bids were as follows: Snyder Tree Service \$120 per hour, Gute Tree Service \$150 per hour, Hook's Tree Service \$120 per hour, Western IA Tree Services \$77 per hour and Gorden Tree Service \$125 per hour. Following lengthy discussion motion was made by Barto, seconded by Potthoff to approve power line trimming project with a maximum cost of \$5000. Voting Aye: Barto, Potthoff, Schulte, King and Finley. Motion by Schulte, seconded by Potthoff to accept the low bid of \$77 per hour from Western Iowa Tree Service with the term of the contract ending June 30, 2015. Voting Aye: Barto, Schulte, Potthoff and King. Abstain: Finley. Motion by Potthoff, seconded by Schulte to have the City remove previously declared dangerous shrubs at the corner of E. First and Spruce St. All voted Aye.

Jim Gossett and James Bagley of Raccoon Valley REC presented yet another option to Council to supply power to the City of Auburn and provide for operations and maintenance of the system. This option included significant credits in the first three years of a 20 year contract. Mr. Gossett explained to council that our contract ends January 10, 2015 and if a power supply company is not chosen in the next few days, it will be impossible to get the necessary contract and supply in place by the end date. Council did not discuss nor take any action regarding the Heartland proposal. Barto then presented a letter from MidAmerican Energy Company (MEC) expressing interest in evaluating our system for purchase by MEC or to potentially supply power. Motion by Barto, seconded by Potthoff to send letter to MEC expressing interest in both proposals; provided they can fast track them to meet time constraints. All voted Aye. Motion by Potthoff, seconded by Schulte to ask RVEC to commit their proposal on paper for both a ten and twenty year supply agreement for consideration and evaluation. All voted Aye. Council reviewed a letter of termination submitted by JK Energy Consultants and Barto detailed her conversations with Mr. Krajewski regarding his actions on behalf of Auburn. Motion by Barto to initiate a new contract with JK Energy Consultants immediately at a maximum cost of \$2500. Motion seconded by Potthoff. Voting Aye: Barto, Schulte, Potthoff and Finley. Voting Nay: King.

Council took no action regarding City Week. No consideration was given to League Conference attendance. Motion by Potthoff, seconded by Schulte to approve a one-day lease with Partridge for the Car show. All voted Aye. Paula Pudenz and Jason Ludwig addressed council regarding the Event committee use of the ball field concession stand noting that the Rec committee wanted to provide concessions. Council reiterated their position of having control of a city owned property and allowing volunteer entities to determine their activities. Motion by Schulte, seconded by Potthoff to approve liquor license for Dolly's Bar & Grill for August 23 and September 13 activities pending meeting all state criteria. All voted Aye. Motion by Potthoff, seconded by Schulte to approve Resolution 14-09 A Resolution Allowing Temporary Suspension the Noise Ordinance for September 13 event. Voting Aye: Finley, Schulte, Barto, Potthoff and King.

Reports and correspondence were heard and motion to adjourn at 8:24 PM by Schulte.

All Flags	Flag	\$46.89	JK Energy	Consulting	\$650.00
Als Corner	Fire	\$61.00	Menards	Shop	\$81.37
Arnold Motor	shop	\$30.50	Office Dept	Office Sup	\$35.54
Baker & Taylor	library	\$335.39	Postmaster	postage	\$351.00
Buelt, Laura	Reimb Parks	\$32.09	Presto X Company	pest control	\$37.77
Center Point Books	library	\$44.34	Raccoon Valley REC	power	\$12,307.51
Crop Prod Service	Parks	\$78.25	Readers Digest	Library	\$29.96
CRS Hauling	garbage	\$1,000.00	Reiling Electric	electric	\$60.00
Demco	library	\$156.10	Sargent Drilling	Water plant	\$473.52
EFTPS	941 Tax	\$2,267.86	Stewart, Donetta	library	\$81.76
Fleet Fueling	Shop/Fire	\$414.59	Tiefenthaler bldg	comm bldg	\$135.03
Frank & Sextro	Legal	\$125.00	Tri-County Special	publishing	\$54.00
Gale	library	\$26.99	US Cellular	cell phone	\$48.67
Gorman Trust	Sewer pmt	\$49.85	Utility Service Co.	water tower	\$661.65
Hawkins	chlorine	\$147.25	Walmart	library	\$67.22
IA Dept of Rev	Sales Tax	\$1,010.00	WAPA	power	\$1,507.20
IA DNR	Sewer Permit	\$210.00	Websites Impresses	Web hosting	\$200.00
IPERS	employ bene	\$1,449.64	Windstream	Phone	\$143.55
Janssen, Nancy	Office sup.	\$67.42	Total claims		\$24,478.91

FUND	Previous Balance	Received	Disbursed	Current Fund Balance	Change from Prev Month	Operating Funds	Amounts Held In Long-Term Investment(CD)
<b>GENERAL</b>	-\$658.72	\$2,963.13	\$15,020.29	<b>-\$12,715.88</b>	-\$12,057.16	-\$28,136.98	\$15,421.10
<b>Historical Comm.</b>	\$17,695.84	\$1,600.00	\$602.15	<b>\$18,693.69</b>	\$997.85	\$18,693.69	\$0.00
<b>Library Trust</b>	\$8,508.41	\$0.16		<b>\$8,508.57</b>	\$0.16	\$3,656.78	\$4,851.79
<b>Rec Committee</b>	\$11,253.61	\$0.05		<b>\$11,253.66</b>	\$0.05	\$6,141.36	\$5,112.30
<b>Event Comm</b>	\$604.51			<b>\$604.51</b>		\$604.51	
<b>LOST</b>	\$16,113.72	\$1,821.69		<b>\$17,935.41</b>	\$1,821.69	\$17,935.41	
<b>EMPLY BEN LEVY</b>	\$717.65	\$116.75		<b>\$834.40</b>	\$116.75	\$834.40	
<b>EMERGENCY LEVY</b>	\$36.34	\$17.73		<b>\$54.07</b>	\$17.73	\$54.07	
<b>ROAD USE TAX</b>	\$29,408.20	\$2,484.35	\$5,850.39	<b>\$26,042.16</b>	-\$3,366.04	\$26,042.16	
<b>WATER UTILITY</b>	\$7,604.60	\$6,782.72	\$7,391.03	<b>\$6,996.29</b>	-\$608.31	\$6,996.29	
<b>SEWER Operating</b>	-\$3,831.85	\$2,662.81	\$1,805.91	<b>-\$2,974.95</b>	\$856.90	-\$2,974.95	
<b>ELECTRIC UTILITY</b>	\$179,493.80	\$13,831.36	\$17,924.63	<b>\$175,400.53</b>	-\$4,093.27	\$15,978.67	\$159,421.86
<b>GARBAGE/RECYCL.</b>	-\$788.44	\$1,678.09	\$3,046.00	<b>-\$2,156.35</b>	-\$1,367.91	-\$2,156.35	
<b>TOTAL CASH</b>	\$266,157.67	\$33,958.84	\$51,640.40	<b>\$248,476.11</b>	-\$17,681.56	\$63,669.06	\$184,807.05