

Aurora, Nebraska  
August 9, 2011

A meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Aurora, Nebraska, was convened in open and public session at 7:30 p.m. on August 9, 2011 at the City Hall. Present were Councilors: Wayne Roblee, Bruce Ramsour, Paul Lackore, Phillip Hupf, Dick Phillips and Paul Shaneyfelt. Mayor Marlin Seeman conducted the meeting. City Officials present were City Administrator Jane Berry, City Attorney Ross Luzum, Police Lieutenant Paul Graham, Water/Sewer Commissioner Rick Melcher, Street Superintendent Mike Eberhardt and Clerk/Treasurer Barbra Mikkelsen.

Notice of said meeting was given by publication in the Aurora News Register on August 2, 2011. Notice of meeting was simultaneously given to the Mayor and all members of the Council and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to these minutes. Availability of the agenda of this meeting was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and Council. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Mayor Seeman stated "AS PERSCRIBED BY LAW A COPY OF THE NEBRASKA OPEN MEETINGS ACT IS POSTED BY THE DOUBLE DOORS IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS."

**MINUTES:**

Councilor Ramsour moved to approve the minutes from the July 26 and August 2, 2011 meetings. Councilor Hupf seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Ramsour, Lackore, Hupf, Phillips, Shaneyfelt and Roblee. Nay: None. The motion carried.

**PETITIONS, COMPLAINTS, COMMUNICATIONS:**

Mayor Seeman will be attending League of Nebraska meetings in Scotts Bluff, NE.

**REPORTS BY OFFICERS, BOARD, COMMITTEES:**

Clerk/Treasurer Mikkelsen told the Council she will be working with Adam Darbro from Hamilton County Offices, the City Attorney and the Governmental Affairs Committee on the re-districting of the City of Aurora Voting Wards. She stated re-districting by law has to be done by early November. She also told the Council that all city employees' wages have been published in this week's newspaper as they are every year to meet state statute requirements. Clerk/Treasurer Mikkelsen then presented the Expenditure and Clerk/Treasurer reports for the month ending July 31, 2011. Councilor Shaneyfelt moved to approve said reports. Councilor Phillips seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Lackore, Hupf, Phillips, Shaneyfelt, Roblee and Ramsour. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Claims Committee Member Roblee reported the claims presented by the Clerk were in order and moved that said claims be allowed and checks drawn on the various funds for payment of same be approved. Councilor Hupf seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Hupf, Phillips, Shaneyfelt, Roblee, Ramsour and Lackore. Nay: None. The motion carried. A listing of said claims is attached to these minutes.

City Administrator Berry gave progress reports for the Cole Park Shelter and Cole Park Trail Projects.

City Administrator Berry also reported meeting with Betty Curtis of Clean Community Systems in Grand Island regarding hazardous waste disposal. City Administrator Berry stated that Clean Community Systems is moving to a new location in Grand Island and my in the future be able to have daily drop off capabilities. She will update the Council as more information becomes available.

City Administrator Berry stated that the Fire Department had one volunteer fireman quit but also gained two new volunteer firemen. The fire department now has 35 volunteer firefighters on their roster.

Water/Sewer Commissioner Melcher gave progress reports on the North Streeter Park Sewer Project and on the WWTP Expansion project. He also stated the State of Nebraska Department of Roads had approved the permit for the Highway 14 ball field entrance.

Councilor Shaneyfelt moved to approve the City Administrator's Employment contract. Councilor Ramsour seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Phillips, Shaneyfelt, Roblee, Ramsour, Lackore and Hupf. The motion carried.

Councilor Shaneyfelt moved to approve the request from Deb Kalkwarf of Grandview Café for a special liquor license and permission to fence off the sidewalk for an eating contest and DJ, September 3, 2011, 5pm to 1:00am. Councilor Phillips seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Shaneyfelt, Roblee, Ramsour, Lackore, Hupf and Phillips. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Councilor Shaneyfelt moved to approve a Noise Control Special Variance Application from Ryan Kalkwarf for Grandview Café, for an eating contest and DJ, September 3, 2011, 9:00pm to 12:00am. Councilor Hupf seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Roblee, Ramsour, Lackore, Hupf, Phillips and Shaneyfelt. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Councilor Lackore moved to authorize city staff to go forward with the process to purchase property for infrastructure protection, located at Lots 11 & 12, except part to State, Block 3 Chapman's re-survey, City of Aurora, Hamilton County, NE, and to set the hearing date for August 30 at 7:05pm and also authorize the refundable deposit of \$500 for earnest money. Councilor Shaneyfelt seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Ramsour, Lackore, Hupf, Phillips, Shaneyfelt and Roblee. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Councilor Roblee moved to approve the invoice from Aurora Area Chamber and Development Corporation (AACD) for economic development services for FY 2010-2011 for \$15,000 as per the interlocal agreement. Councilor Ramsour seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Lackore, Hupf, Phillips, Shaneyfelt, Roblee and Ramsour. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Steve Parr of JEO Consulting reviewed Pay Application No. 2 for North Streeter Park Sewer Project. Councilor Ramsour moved to approve Pay Application No. 2 for North Streeter Park Sewer Project for Midlands Contracting, Inc. for \$51,701.40. Councilor Hupf seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Hupf, Phillips, Shaneyfelt, Roblee, Ramsour and Lackore. Nay: None. The motion carried.

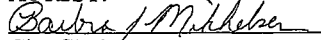
**MISCELLANEOUS:**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Having completed all items on the agenda, and there being no further business to conduct, Mayor Seeman declared the meeting adjourned at 8:24p.m.

  
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Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk

