

More 2026 CAEDC Annual Recognition Banquet



Upper left, Schumann Equipment was named Business of the Year by the Cherokee Industrial Corporation.

Upper right, Tom Dawson, center, was named Wash-ta's Citizen of the Year. He was accompanied by his wife Doris. Paul "Chopper" Riggs presented the award.

Left, Wetherell Manufacturing was named Cleg-horn Business of the Year.

Right, Green Pastures Country Boutique was named Quimby's Business of the Year.

LEGAL NOTICE

CITY NAME: NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - CITY OF AURELIA - PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY
AURELIA Fiscal Year July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027 **CITY #:** 18-153

The City Council will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year City property tax levy as follows:
Meeting Date: 3/30/2026 **Meeting Time:** 05:30 PM **Meeting Location:** Council Chambers Aurelia City Hall

At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of the proposed tax levy. After the hearing of the proposed tax levy, the City Council will publish notice and hold a hearing on the proposed city budget.

City Website (if available) aureliaia.com City Telephone Number (712) 434-2025

Iowa Department of Management	Current Year Certified Property Tax 2025 - 2026	Budget Year Effective Property Tax 2026 - 2027	Budget Year Proposed Property Tax 2026 - 2027
Taxable Valuations for Non-Debt Service	36,337,520	38,417,582	38,417,582
Consolidated General Fund	287,626	287,626	298,128
Operation & Maintenance of Public Transit	0	0	0
Aviation Authority	0	0	0
Liability, Property & Self Insurance	27,250	27,250	29,046
Support of Local Emergency Mgmt. Comm.	0	0	0
Unified Law Enforcement	0	0	0
Police & Fire Retirement	6,837	6,837	7,037
FICA & IPERS (If at General Fund Limit)	70,220	70,220	74,462
Other Employee Benefits	0	0	0
Capital Projects (Capital Improv. Reserve)	0	0	0
Taxable Value for Debt Service	36,337,520	38,417,582	38,417,582
Debt Service	46,892	46,892	46,057
CITY REGULAR TOTAL PROPERTY TAX	438,825	438,825	454,730
CITY REGULAR TAX RATE	12.07636	11.42250	11.83652
Taxable Value for City Ag Land	298,527	301,094	301,094
Ag Land	897	897	904
CITY AG LAND TAX RATE	3.00375	2.97914	3.00238
Tax Rate Comparison-Current VS. Proposed			
Residential property with an Actual/Assessed Valuation of \$100,000/\$110,000	Current Year Certified 2025/2026	Budget Year Proposed 2026/2027	Percent Change
City Regular Residential	573	580	1.22
Commercial property with an Actual/Assessed Valuation of \$300,000/\$330,000	Current Year Certified 2025/2026	Budget Year Proposed 2026/2027	Percent Change
City Regular Commercial	2,490	2,708	8.76

Note: Actual/Assessed Valuation is multiplied by a Rollback Percentage to get to the Taxable Valuation to calculate Property Taxes. Residential and commercial properties have the same rollback percentage through \$150,000 of actual/assessed valuation.

Reasons for tax increase if proposed exceeds the current:
 No tax increase. Tax rate decreasing slightly from 12.07636 to 11.83652. (CT03-06/22.64c)

LEGAL NOTICE

COUNTY NAME: NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY
CHEROKEE COUNTY Fiscal Year July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027 **COUNTY NUMBER:** 18

The County Board of Supervisors will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year County tax asking as follows:
Meeting Date: 3/24/2026 **Meeting Time:** 08:45 AM **Meeting Location:** Cherokee County Courthouse - Boardroom

At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of the proposed tax levy. After the hearing of the proposed tax levy, the Board will publish notice and hold a hearing on the proposed county budget.

County Website (if available) cherokeecounty.iowa.gov County Telephone Number (712) 225-6706

Iowa Department of Management	Current Year Certified Property Tax FY 2025/2026	Budget Year Effective Tax FY 2026/2027	Budget Year Proposed Tax FY 2026/2027
Taxable Valuations-General Services	1,155,073,841	1,212,622,076	1,212,622,076
Requested Tax Dollars-Countywide Rates Except Debt Service	4,515,577	4,515,577	4,715,536
Taxable Valuations-Debt Service	1,163,549,059	1,224,212,541	1,224,212,541
Requested Tax Dollars-Debt Service	0	0	0
Requested Tax Dollars-Countywide Rates	4,515,577	4,515,577	4,715,536
Tax Rate-Countywide	3.90934	3.72381	3.88871
Taxable Valuations-Rural Services	855,031,337	889,615,020	889,615,020
Requested Tax Dollars-Additional Rural Levies	2,455,111	2,455,111	2,504,329
Tax Rate-Rural Additional	2.87137	2.75975	2.81507
Rural Total	6.78071	6.48356	6.70378
Tax Rate Comparison-Current VS. Proposed			
Residential property with an Actual/Assessed Valuation of \$100,000/\$110,000	Current Year Certified Property Tax FY 2025/2026	Budget Year Proposed Tax FY 2026/2027	Percent Change
Urban Taxpayer	185	190	2.70
Rural Taxpayer	322	328	1.86
Tax Rate Comparison-Current VS. Proposed			
Commercial property with an Actual/Assessed Valuation of \$300,000/\$330,000	Current Year Certified Property Tax FY 2025/2026	Budget Year Proposed Tax FY 2026/2027	Percent Change
Urban Taxpayer	806	890	10.42
Rural Taxpayer	1,397	1,534	9.81

Note: Actual/Assessed Valuation is multiplied by a Rollback Percentage to get to the Taxable Valuation to calculate Property Taxes. Residential and Commercial properties have the same Rollback Percentage at 150,000 Actual/Assessed Valuation. The Proposed Property taxes assume a 10% increase in property values for the year as a comparison to the current year.

Reasons for tax increase if proposed exceeds the current:
 Standard Cost of Living Increases (CT03-06/24c)

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LEGAL NOTICE

FEBRUARY 23, 2026
 The Aurelia City Council met in regular session on February 23, 2026. Mayor Redig called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with roll call as follows:
 Council Members Present: Nelson, Johnson, Fassler, Bruce, Bleil
 Council Members Absent: none
 Also Present: Steph McSparran, Brian Flikeid, Dustin Wieland, Mark Sangwin, Kim Huseman, John Hines, Luke Erpelding
 *Nelson made motion to approve consent agenda, second by Fassler. Roll call vote: "aye": Bruce, Johnson, Fassler, Nelson, Bleil; "nay": none. Motion carried.
 Minutes of previous meeting/Clerk/Treasurer & Investment Reports/Bills Payable
JANUARY REVENUES
 Property Tax \$3,991.83
 Local Option Sales Tax \$17,132.56
 Use of Money & Property \$2,617.24
 Road Use Tax \$11,146.12
 Water Utility \$27,907.92
 Sewer Utility \$15,469.97
 Landfill/Garbage \$10,125.73
 Storm Water Utility \$475.00
 Other Fees & Charges \$75.00
 Miscellaneous \$5,524.50
 Proceeds of Debt \$967.12
 License & Permits \$402.50
TOTAL \$95,835.49
JANUARY DISBURSEMENTS
 General Fund \$29,362.66
 Road Use \$5,905.53
 Special Revenues \$5,878.98
 Water Utility \$16,752.80
 Sewer Utility \$10,915.25
 Sanitation Utility \$10,073.24
 Local Option Sales Tax \$5,507.68
TOTAL \$84,396.14
FEBRUARY COUNCIL - BILLS PAYABLE
 Aurelia Electric utilities \$4,778.44
 Aurelia Utilities garbage customers \$4,554.00
 Aurelia Lumber shop supplies \$44.16
 Aurelia Community Center balance cash bag \$25.00
 Arnold Motor shop supplies \$154.88
 AgState fuel \$483.02
 AT&T Firstnet cell phone, hotspot \$263.23
 Bomgaars fuse, hooks, bolts, ratchet, batteries \$410.46
 Builders Sharpening skid loader battery \$274.56
 C & B Operations payloador oil change \$178.53
 Cardmember Services books, fuel, registrations, ice,cups \$1,916.67
 Cherokee Co Economic Developmnt plaque, banquet, daycare loan \$4,160.00
 Cherokee Chronicle Times legal publications \$246.65
 Cherokee Co Extension registration \$45.00
 Cherokee Co Solid Waste January assessment \$5,090.45
 Cherokee Co Extension registration \$90.00
 City of Merville code enforcer fees \$181.25
 Clover pos fees cc \$112.24
 Connor Beeck Window window cleaning \$50.00
 Crary Huff legal fees \$2,896.84
 First Financial pos fees cc \$43.92
 Foundation Analytical water/ww testing \$30.00
 FP Mailing postage fee \$55.43
 Hach Co water test supplies \$253.81
 HomeServe water, sewer loss ins \$1,264.40
 HyVee liquor, bar supplies cc \$832.90
 Industrial Paint Solutions paint fs \$431.46
 Iowa One Call locates \$32.50
 Jenna Cobb cc rental; refund \$75.00
 IDNR permit fee \$85.00
 Jessica Munoz cc rental refund \$225.00
 Julius Cleaners mats, tablecloths cleaning \$117.60
 Little Falls Machine snow plow parts \$1,406.34
 Mark Sangwin fuel \$62.53
 MidAmerican utilities \$672.64
 Modern Heating furnace repair library, fire station \$1,414.41
 NIPCO daycare loan \$4,000.00
 North Lake Truck Repair cable dump truck \$37.45
 Nuvera phone, internet svc \$779.77
 One Office office supplies \$156.10
 Power Solutions alarm system battery \$180.03
 Plumbing & Heating Wholesale parts for lab \$79.79
 Plunkett's pest control \$467.80
 Rebnord Technologies IT services \$40.00
 Redig's Gravel gravel \$674.30
 SCE water main leak \$1,471.70
 Simmering Cory codification \$450.00
 Verizon cell phone, hotspot \$78.96
 VisualEdge IT copier contract \$101.44
TOTAL: \$41,473.66
 Aurelia's city attorney, John Hines, spoke about the abandoned building process they are working on for three properties in Aurelia. Timelines and options were discussed for each abandoned property.
 Public works report was given
 Taking down the flagpole at the park was discussed.
 Fassler made motion to approve the Bargin quote for "2026 Crack Repair Project", in the amount of \$18,611.81, second by Bleil. All members present voting "aye". Motion carried.
 Police report was given.
 Clerk's report was given.
 The fee to turn water off and on was discussed.
 Fassler made motion to approve Community Center liquor license, second by Johnson. All members present voting "aye". Motion carried.
 Fassler made motion to approve The Tap liquor license, second by Johnson. All members present voting "aye". Abstained: Bruce. Motion carried.
 Nelson made motion to set public hearing for Proposed Property Tax Levy, March 30, 2026, at 5:30 pm, second by Bruce. All members present voting "aye". Motion carried.
 Bruce made motion to set public hearing for 2nd Budget Amendment FY26, March 23, 2026, at 6:30 pm, second by Bleil. All members present voting "aye". Motion carried.
 Nelson made motion to approve Haselhoff Construction pay application 6 in the amount of \$67,551.41, second by Bruce. All members present voting "aye". Motion carried.
 Nelson made motion to approve ISG change order number 2, second by Johnson. All members present voting "aye". Motion carried.
 Bruce made motion to approve to appoint Randy Galvin to the Aurelia Utility Board, second by Johnson. All members voting "aye". Motion carried.
 Bruce made motion to approve to reappoint Shelice Daly to the Library Board, second by Johnson. All members present voting "aye". Motion carried.
 Mayor Redig appointed Cindy Nelson as Mayor Pro-Tem and she accepted.
 Landfill report was given.
 There being no further business to discuss, meeting was adjourned at 7:49 p.m.
 Roman Redig, Mayor
 Steph McSparran, City Clerk (CT03-06/L#184)