

Gregory City Council Meeting
January 18, 2010

The Gregory City Council met in regular session on Monday, January 18, 2010 at the Gregory City Hall at 7:30 p.m. The following members were present: Mayor Dan DeSmet; Council Members, Gerrie Soper, Tim Mills, Blane Bartling, and Maurice Schlaht. Absent were Council Member Chad Peck and Council Member Kevin Mikkelsen. Others present were Finance Officer Al Cerny, Public Works Supt. Mark Fortuna and News Reporter Colleen Flynn.

AGENDA:

The following items were added to the agenda: Rosebud Electric bill and Hot Rod Club proposal. Motion was made by Council Member Mills to approve the agenda with the mentioned additions. All members voted aye.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by Council Member Soper to approve the minutes of January 4, 2010 as written. All members voted aye.

SEWER LINE:

The council discussed the upcoming sewer main outfall project. Project Engineer Vern Arens had indicated that either a February 15th or March 1st bid opening would work. Since the easements have not been signed yet, the council agreed to set March 1, 2010 as the date for bid letting the project.

ROSEBUD ELECTRIC BILL:

The council received a letter from Rosebud Electric Cooperative asking for the city to bill them for any work the city did for the REC during the recent snowstorm. The council agreed that there would be no bill presented to Rosebud Electric.

HOT ROD CLUB:

Council Member Bartling had received an inquiry from the local Hot Rod Club about finding a place in Gregory where the club could do their burnouts as part of their summer event. The council tabled the inquiry until the next meeting.

BUS PARKING:

Council Member Soper was asked if the city had a place to park the bus inside that is used to transport people around the Gregory area. The city does not have any extra garage space.

DEPT. HEAD REPORTS:

Police Chief Ellwanger met with the council to give a report. He advised them the first half of January has been very busy, but the department has not had any major

problems. The office-remodeling project has not started. It was agreed to send Dwight Ellwanger to Homeland Security Training in Pierre, SD on February 8-12, 2010.

Public Works Supt. Mark Fortuna reported on a tree by the library that he had cut down because it had a big split in it. There was also discussion of setting up emergency snow routes in Gregory where vehicles cannot park after 2" of snowfall. The council directed Al Cerny to draft an ordinance outlying a snow route for Felton Ave, Main St., and 6th & 5th Streets. It was agreed that a \$50.00 fine would be imposed and the owner would be given 24 hours to move the vehicle or it would be towed and the owner would pay all towing and storage fees. Fortuna reported on some snow removal work he did for the school. The council agreed that the school be billed \$200.00 (1 hr loader work @ \$100/2 trucks @ \$50 per hr) for snow removal.

ORDINANCE #213:

The first reading of Ordinance #213 which supplements the 2009 Budget by \$27,000 for a general fund transfer to the Bike Path Project was read to the council. Motion was made by Council Member Bartling to approve the first reading. All members voted aye.

HWY 18 CROSSING:

The council read a letter from the SD DOT regarding the highway crossing at Felton & Highway 18. The council agreed that the sidewalk project would be tabled until the city could explore some alternate sources of funding for the sidewalk, since the assessment to the property owners for the sidewalk had failed.

SPN WATER STUDY:

The council member reviewed the recent water study report. The council agreed to table any further action in regard to the water report until they can discuss the report further with a SPN Representative.

MUNICIPAL ELECTION DATE:

The council agreed to set Tuesday, April 13, 2010 as the date for the next municipal election.

BOND LOAN PAPERS:

Motion was made by Council Member Mills to approve and sign the \$357,000 state revolving fund (SRF) bond loan papers for the new sewer line outfall project. All members voted aye.

CLAIMS:

Motion was made by Council Member Soper to pay the following claims as presented. All members voted aye.

GENERAL FUND:

Al Cerny, reimbursement for filing Roadside Park plat	10.00
Allen's Repair, replace fuel pump/police dept. '95 Caprice.....	193.23
Appeara, towels/hand cleaner/coveralls	21.73
Avenet Web Solutions, register domain name/city website	90.00
B & F Variety, pens	6.78
Burke Oil Company, 2287 gal AV gas	8,439.03
Fair Manufacturing Inc., snow blower throttle actuator	324.59
Gregory Building Center, concrete blocks	4.96
Gregory County Hwy Dept, road maintenance.....	40.00
Gregory Drug, pictures/work comp crutches.....	19.26
H & O Electric, replace blower motor in ambulance room.....	405.77
Harrison Plumbing & Heating, auditorium urinal repairs/fittings.....	59.37
Jim's Garbage Service, garbage pickup service	140.00
Ken Adams, reimbursement for airport satellite tv service	60.00
Office Products Center, printer/USB cable/toner/folders/paper.....	1,060.28
Opperman Inc., snow removal w/trucks & loaders	9,262.50
Petty cash, postage reimbursement.....	16.56
Planning & Development District III, 2010 membership dues	1,910.00
Rosebud Auto Parts, tape/air & oil filters/fittings	190.11
Rosebud Electric Cooperative Inc., electricity	4,180.28
SD Municipal League, Legislative Dinner & Gov't Day registration	15.00
Verizon Wireless, January cell phone service	266.07
Willuweit Construction, final payment auditorium roof repairs.....	30,568.90
Total \$	57,284.42

3RD CENT SALES TAX:

Gregory Lanes, 3 rd cent promotion/bowling tournament.....	500.00
Total \$	500.00

WATER FUND:

Ace's Backhoe Service, water main leak repairs.....	1,188.78
Appeara, coveralls	7.46
Buche Foods, distilled water.....	1.23
Office Products Center, paper/stampers	66.48
One Call Systems Inc., locate tickets.....	2.10
Petty cash, postage reimbursement56
Rosebud Auto Parts, spark plug/pliers/grease cap.....	57.30
Rosebud Electric Cooperative Inc., electricity	1,441.59
Verizon Wireless, January cell phone service	92.46
Total \$	2,857.96

SEWER FUND:

Arens Engineering, 3 rd payment/contract consulting/outfall line replace	3,465.00
HD Supply Waterworks Ltd., manhole covers	777.97
Rosebud Auto Parts, connector/fuse/strap/lamp/gloves	75.51
Rosebud Electric Cooperative Inc., electricity	77.84

SD Dept of Environment & Natural Resources, 2010 Wastewater Fee	1,500.00
Total \$	5,896.32

WATER DEPOSIT:

Jada Sundquist, refund water deposit	21.91
Jenny Braun, refund water deposit	22.01
Total \$	43.92
Grand Total \$	66,582.62

PAYROLL OVERTIME APPROVED:

Mark Fortuna, 8.5 hrs overtime; weekend water duty 1/9-10/10
 Jack Wenger, 4 hrs overtime; weekend water duty 1/16-17/10

1-6-10 PAYROLL:

BankWest, withholdings	985.25
SDRS, retirement	678.36
Aflac, insurance	122.48
Office of Child Support Enforcement, child support payment	219.23
City of Gregory, water/sewer payment	28.00
City of Gregory, Galls payment	25.00
Finance Officer	673.60
Police Dept	2,022.40
Street Dept	1,255.06
Airport	90.20
Library	216.11
Water Dept	1,337.68
General Government Building	260.00

ADJOURN:

Motion was made by Council Member Bartling to adjourn. All members voted aye.

 Dan DeSmet, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
 Al Cerny, Finance Officer