

Gregory City Council Meeting
August 16, 2010

The Gregory City Council met in regular session at the Gregory City Hall on Mon., Aug. 16, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. The following members were present: Mayor Dan DeSmet; Council Members, Tim Mills, Chad Peck, Gerrie Soper, Maurice Schlaht and Blane Bartling. Council Member absent was Kevin Mikkelsen. Others present were Public Works Supt. Mark Fortuna, Finance Officer Al Cerny and News Reporter Colleen Flynn.

AGENDA ADDITIONS/ADOPTION:

The following items were added to the agenda: Brett Oliver (Hwy 47 speed limit), July financial report, and September council meeting date change. Motion was made by Council Member Mills to approve the agenda as posted with the additional items. All members voted aye.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by Council Member Bartling to approve the regular minutes of August 2, 2010, as written. All members voted aye.

HWY 47 SPEED LIMIT:

Brett Oliver met with the council and asked them to consider lowering the speed limit on Highway 47 to 30 mph starting at the intersection of 14th St & Hwy 47. Currently the speed changes to 30 mph at 11th St & Hwy 47. The council agreed with the request to lower the speed limit, but the state will have to grant approval before anything can be done. The state will be contacted.

SIDEWALK/HWY 18 & FELTON:

Dr. Joseph Hull met with the council to discuss the proposed sidewalk on his property, which is at the intersection of Hwy 18 & Felton Ave. Dr. Hull told the council that he would allow the city to build a 4' sidewalk on his property, but he wanted to retain ownership of the land. Motion was made by Council Member Bartling to pay for up to 127' of sidewalk on Dr. Hull's property as a one-time deal to help get the Hwy 18 crossing done. All members voted aye.

SEWER OUTFALL LINE:

Vern Arens from Arens Engineering gave the council an update on the sewer line outfall project. The project is almost completed and all the lines have been re-lined that were scheduled. There was discussion on adding asphalt to the Whittecar Avenue portion of the project. Motion was made by Council Member Soper to add asphalt to the Whittecar Avenue area that had been dug up. All members voted aye.

PLAT/LOTS 1,2 & 3 OF FEYEREISEN SUBDIVISION:

Emmett Kotrba showed the council a plat of Lots 1,2 & 3 of Feyereisen Subdivision for the council's approval. This is the area south of the Odd Fellows Cemetery. Motion was made by Council Member Peck to approve the plat of Lots 1,2 & 3 of Feyereisen Subdivision. All members voted aye.

DEPT. HEAD REPORT:

Public Works Supt. Mark Fortuna reported that the old “no jake brake” signs need replacing.

Fortuna received a quote of \$18,000-\$20,000 from Commercial Asphalt to pave portions of 1st Street and Gerkin Drive.

The pool closed Sat., Aug. 14, 2010. Fortuna reported that the pool employees ran the pool well this year.

Fortuna reported on applying for FEMA funds to help replace a culvert on 1st Street and do some graveling where the gravel got washed out. The grant is a 90-100% grant. The council agreed to apply for an oversized culvert to replace the one on 1st Street.

CAPITOL FOR A DAY:

The council agreed to host ‘Capitol For a Day’ on October 6, 2010.

ORDINANCE #216:

Ordinance #216, an ordinance that re-codifies the city’s ordinances, was placed on its second reading. Motion was made by Council Member Mills to approve the second reading of Ordinance #216. All members voted aye.

BUILDING PERMIT/LORI VAKINER:

The council approved the building permit for Lori Vakiner for a manufactured home and garage. No variance was needed.

BLEACHERS:

Motion was made by Council Member Peck to declare the old wooden bleachers that are semi-portable as surplus property and set a price of \$150 as the value of the bleachers. All members voted aye.

BUDGET 2011:

Copies of the 2011 budget worksheets and information were given to the council. The budget is balanced, but very little is available for capitol improvements.

JULY FINANCIAL REPORT:

The council reviewed the July financial report given by Finance Officer Al Cerny. Revenues are up for the year and sales tax revenue is almost the same as the prior year.

COUNCIL MEETING DATE:

The council agreed to change the next council meeting date to Tuesday, September 7, 2010 due to the Labor Day holiday.

LAGOON REPORT:

Mayor DeSmet reported on portions of the inspection report on the city’s lagoons. The city has had to release water when the ammonia content has been too high. This problem will be looked into and efforts will be made to correct it.

CLAIMS:

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

GENERAL FUND:

Allen's Repair, oil change/police dept blazer	43.64
Appera, towels/coveralls/hand cleaner/mats	44.57
B & F Variety, candle	19.19
Bartling Redi-Mix, concrete grinding wheel/1.5 cu yds for flag post	205.00
Bartling Welding, floor drain punch holes/iron work on bleachers ..	147.15
Buche Foods, pool concessions/cleaning supplies	609.90
Curley Haisch Estate, 74.70 ton gravel.....	952.42
Gregory Building Center, pool door/lumber & paint for park bleachers	1,478.99
Gregory County Hwy Dept, road maintenance/culverts.....	404.15
Gregory Farmers Elevator Co., weigh tickets (haul concrete)	95.00
H & J Sales, weed eater repairs & blades/chains sharpened & knives	386.75
Hawkins Inc., pool caustic soda/chlorine	843.25
Jim's Garbage Service, garbage pickup service/4 th of July	570.00
Office Products Center, ink cartridges/pens	57.96
Opperman Inc., 255.92 ton gravel delivered	3,788.70
Petty cash, postage reimbursement	7.00
Rayman's Storage & Stump Removal, stump removal/roadside park & Don Smith	260.00
Rosebud Farmers Union, gas/diesel fuel/tire repair/tire	4,138.75
Spann Construction Services, replace siding on library/bid item #7.	7,487.77
Verizon Wireless, August cell phone service	287.05
Veurink Insurance Agency LLC, fire dept liability & property insurance	3,516.00
Total \$	25,343.24

SPECIAL STREET ASSESSMENT FUND:

Opperman Inc., 91.6 ton patch mix trucking/268.95 ton crushed concrete	4,478.60
Total \$	4,478.60

SEWER LINE OUTFALL IMPROVEMENTS:

Arens Engineering, engineering fees/outfall line replacement.....	7,945.20
Schrank Construction Inc., payment #4.....	62,242.93
Total \$	70,188.13

WATER FUND:

Ace's Backhoe Service, water at Parkside Motel	676.54
Appera, coveralls	4.26
HD Supply Waterworks Ltd., (8) 510P MXU's/fittings/curb box	1,177.52
Rosebud Farmers Union, gas	284.09
South Dakota One Call, locate tickets	11.55
Tom's Service, antifreeze/oil	11.75
Verizon Wireless, August cell phone service	68.19
Total \$	2,233.90

SEWER FUND:

Dakota Pump & Control, 2010 inspection of lift stations.....	760.00
Rosebud Farmers Union, gas	236.75
Total \$	996.75
Grand Total \$	103,240.62

PAYROLL OVERTIME APPROVED:

Jack Wenger, weekend water duty 8/14-15/10; 2.5 hrs overtime

8-4-10 PAYROLL:

BankWest, withholdings	4,181.48
SDRS, retirement	1,627.46
Aflac, insurance	122.48
Office of Child Support Enforcement, child support payment	219.23
City of Gregory, water/sewer payment.....	44.00
City of Gregory, Galls payment.....	17.98
Finance Officer	1,705.05
Police Dept.....	4,768.25
Street Dept	3,973.62
Airport.....	234.52
Library	640.57
Water Dept.....	2,459.21
Pool	3,546.03
Park	1,555.50
Economic Development.....	200.00
General Government Building.....	260.00

AMBULANCE PAYROLL July 2010:

BankWest, withholdings	1,567.59
Ambulance	6,308.75

ADJOURN:

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

Dan DeSmet, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Al Cerny, Finance Officer