

Gregory City Council Meeting
April 16, 2007

The Gregory City Council met in regular session at the Gregory City Hall on Mon., Apr. 16, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. Members were present: Mayor Doug Pochop; Council Members, Wade Juracek, Stacey Boes, Gerrie Soper, Dan DeSmet and Maurice Schlaht. Council Member absent was 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: Sunshine Club and water bill drop box.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by Council Member Soper, seconded by Council Member Juracek, to approve the April 2, 2007 minutes as written. All members voted aye.

PUBLIC VISITORS:
FIRE DEPT:

Lyle Haney and Brad Christensen, representing the Gregory Fire Department, met with the council to discuss some options on replacing the fire dept.'s aging pumper truck. A new truck would cost approximately \$200,000.00. After some discussion, the council agreed that prices on a used truck should be obtained along with a financing plan, showing yearly payments needed to finance the purchase.

GREGORY BUILDING CENTER:

Bryan Witt and Vernon Witt met with the council to discuss the possibility of vacating the street to the south of their building so that they would be able to make their current building larger. The council felt that the street could be vacated.

OUTDOOR WARNING SIREN:

There was discussion on moving the fire siren from 1st Street to a location in Hills Addition. Motion was made by Council Member DeSmet to move the siren from 1st Street to a location in Hills Addition in an alley south of Nepper Street, seconded by Council Member Soper. All members voted aye.

6TH & WHITTECAR AVENUE:

Doug Williamson met with the council to discuss some drainage issues that he had at 6th & Whittecar Avenue. The street department will look at the area and take the necessary steps to fix the problem.

7TH & CHURCH AVENUE:

The council agreed that a letter should be sent to the owners at 7th & Church Avenue asking them to remove the dirt that is piled up on their property.

DEPT. HEAD REPORT/MARK FORTUNA:

Mark Fortuna reported that the oil distributor truck would not be available until the end of April. He also reported that the water has been turned on in the park.

WATER BILL DROP BOX:

There was some discussion on getting a drop box for water bill payments since city hall is locked up at night. Al Cerny will get some prices.

POOL LIFEGUARDS:

The park committee recommended the following full-time lifeguards: Zach Marshall, Skila Soesbe, Sally Whiting, Carrie Hemeyer and Brandy Bearshield as Pool Manager/Head Lifeguard. The part-time lifeguards recommended were: Shelby Soesbe, Schuyler Schweigert, Landi Schweigert, Corena Johnson and Samantha Sperl. Motion was made by Council Member Schlaht, seconded by Council Member Juracek, to accept the recommendations from the pool committee. All members voted aye.

BUILDING PERMITS:

The council reviewed the building permits for Sara Zimbelman for a pergola to be placed in her backyard and Brenda Svatos for a house to be built in Duling Addition. The council approved both permits. The building permit for Ben Bearshield was tabled until the engineer's report is received on the feasibility of getting sewer service to the lot.

WATER/SEWER LINE ON LOGAN AVENUE:

There was discussion on extending the water and sewer main on Logan Avenue between 10th & 11th Street. An estimate of \$21,000.00 was given to do the work. The council delayed making a final decision until the engineering is completed.

CANVAS 4/10/07 ELECTION:

The council canvassed the Special Election of 4/10/07 in which the citizens of Gregory voted to accept or reject the 3rd cent sales tax. The final results were 171 for and 92 against. Motion was made by Council Member Boes to accept the results, seconded by Council Member Soper. All members voted aye.

TREE DUMP:

The council agreed to extend the tree dump hours to 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Tuesdays and Saturdays only during the summer months.

SUNSHINE CLUB:

A new outdoor grill has been ordered for the roadside park. A picnic table will be moved from the park to the roadside area and lighting at the roadside park will be looked into.

MARCH FINANCIAL REPORT:

The March financial report was given to the council.

CITY-WIDE CLEAN UP:

The city-wide clean up will be held on May 4-5, 2007 in conjunction with the county's free dumping days.

INDUSTRIAL ROAD GRANT:

Mayor Pochop read a letter from the Governor stating that the city will receive a \$95,000.00 grant to help build a road in the city's industrial park.

RANCHER'S WELDING:

The council was informed that Rancher's Welding has signed a contract to purchase a building for their expansion into Gregory. The building is expected to be completed by October 2007.

AREA OF CONCERN:

The council agreed to invite Todd Schwiegert to the next council meeting to discuss the equipment setting around his business.

CLAIMS:

The following claims were approved for payment upon a motion by Council Member Boes, seconded by Council Member DeSmet. All members voted aye.

GENERAL FUND:

Allen's Repair, oil change/Dodge Charger.....	37.78
Appeara, coveralls/towels/mats	34.65
B & F Variety, tape/card.....	3.29

Best Western Kelly Inn, airport conference lodging	195.00
BG's Electronic Service, police dept. digital recorder	53.98
Bonnie Johnson, election worker 4/10/07.....	125.00
Collegiate Pacific, basketball net.....	27.83
Davison-Hanson Chapter, lifeguard training dvd set.....	305.00
Deb Klein, election worker 4/10/07	125.00
Galls, shotgun clamp.....	10.79
Gregory Animal Clinic, animal control	39.90
Gregory Building Center, silicone sealant.....	3.99
Gregory Drug, photofinishing.....	14.23
Jacqueline Layh, election worker 4/10/07	125.00
Louie's Grocery, cleaning supplies/paper towels/cat food	35.51
Office Depot, digital recorder	79.99
Office Products Center, printer cartridges	22.98
Petty cash, car wash/postage reimbursement.....	13.11
Rosebud Auto Parts, filters/battery/tubing/supplies/connectors/towels	1,470.73
Rosebud Electric Cooperative Inc., turn on west FB field well.....	10.00
State Property Management, 1993 Ford F700 Distributor Truck.....	22,500.00
Steve Johnson, airport printer repair	40.00
Summit Supply Corporation, replacement spring for frog	226.00
Tim Drey, meal/gas reimbursement, Pierre workshop	39.35
Troy Dummer, meal reimbursement/Pierre workshop	33.16
Verizon Wireless, April cell phone service	269.07
Municipal Street Maintenance Association of SD, registration fee...	25.00
SD Municipal League, registration fee/District 4 Meeting.....	48.00
Total \$	25,914.34

WATER FUND:

Appera, coveralls.....	5.37
Hawkins Inc., chlorine/hydrofluosilicic acid.....	914.63
Louie's Grocery, distilled water	1.03
One Call Systems Inc., locate tickets.....	13.00
Rosebud Auto Parts, terminal	8.69
Verizon Wireless, April cell phone service	42.30
Total \$	985.02

Grand Total \$ 26,899.36

4-6-2007 PAYROLL:

BankWest, withholdings.....	2,777.50
SDRS, retirement	1,424.88
Aflac, insurance	31.80

Office of Child Support Enforcement, child support payment	230.77
Credit Collections Bureau, wage garnishment.....	80.00
Finance Officer	1,467.20
Police Dept.....	4,102.00
Street Dept	2,867.50
Airport.....	288.00
Park	84.00
Library.....	537.00
Water Dept.....	2,262.00
Economic Development.....	200.00

AMBULANCE PAYROLL MARCH 2007:

BankWest, withholdings	985.38
Ambulance	4,006.20

ADJOURN:

Motion was made by Council Member Schlaht, seconded by Council Member Soper, to adjourn. All members voted aye.

Doug Pochop, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Al Cerny, Finance Officer