

Gregory City Council Meeting  
January 15, 2007

The Gregory City Council met at the Gregory City Hall on Monday, January 15, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. The following members were present: Mayor Doug Pochop; Council Members, Wade Juracek, Stacey Boes, Gerrie Soper, Maurice Schlaht, Dan DeSmet and Kevin Mikkelsen. Also present were Finance Officer Al Cerny, Public Works Superintendent Mark Fortuna and news reporters Cheryl Sperl and Colleen Flynn.

AGENDA:

The following items were added to the agenda: auditorium& park committee reports and report on water billing.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by Council Member DeSmet, seconded by Council Member Schlaht, to approve as written the January 2, 2007 minutes. All members voted aye.

RON KYBURZ/3<sup>RD</sup> CENT SALES TAX:

Ron Kyburz, representing Gregory Business & Industrial Development (BID), met with the council to ask the board to consider implementing a 3<sup>rd</sup> cent sales tax on certain items that are allowed under state law. Among the items are alcohol sales, prepared foods, lodging and ticket sales to places of amusement and athletic and cultural events. Bryan Nelson and Doug Robertson spoke against implementing a 3<sup>rd</sup> cent sales tax. After further discussion, Council Member DeSmet made the motion to pass the first reading of an ordinance that would create a 3<sup>rd</sup> cent sales tax in Gregory, seconded by Council Member Juracek. Ayes: Kevin Mikkelsen, Dan DeSmet, Wade Juracek; Nays: Maurice Schlaht, Stacey Boes, Gerrie Soper. Mayor Pochop voted aye to break the tie. Motion passed.

MARK FORTUNA/PUBLIC WORKS REPORT:

Mark Fortuna reported that they had did some snow removal and worked on some sewer mains. He went to the Rural Water Conference in Pierre. A price quote of \$9,000.00 to \$20,000.00 was given to the council for the purchase of 100 radio read meters. No action was taken by the council regarding the radio read meters. Summer help was also discussed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PARK:

Gerrie Soper reported on her meeting with the Sunshine Club. The club agreed to put an 8x10 building over the park well controls. The council approved the building type. No action was taken on their request for a permanent dumpster for the roadside park.

**AUDITORIUM:**

Wade Juracek reported that the kitchen in the auditorium has been cleaned up and looks good. The defibulator unit at the auditorium has been stocked with the additional items that were recommended.

**WATER BILL:**

Finance Officer Al Cerny talked to the city council about the water bill for the Jerry Fogel residence. Fogel has his own well but is also hooked up to city water and sewer service. The residence was mistakenly left off of the city's water meter reading list for quite a few years and no bill was issued as a result. Since all records prior to 1999 have been destroyed, a bill will be prepared for the minimum water and sewer usage from 1999 to December 2006. Apologies were made to Jerry Fogel for the way the issue was handled.

**FIREWORKS SCHOOL:**

Motion was made by Council Member Soper to approve \$1,200.00 to send some firemen to a fireworks school so that they can get certified to shoot the city's fireworks, seconded by Council Member Boes. All members voted aye.

**ORDINANCE #196:**

Ordinance #196, an ordinance raising the monthly Mayor's salary to \$250.00 per month and \$25.00 per meeting and the council salary to \$175.00 per month and \$25.00 per month, was placed on its second reading. Motion was made by Council Member Mikkelsen, seconded by Council Member Schlaht, to approve the second reading of Ordinance #196. All members voted aye.

**FIRE DEPT REPORT:**

The balance sheet and revenue/expense report for the year ending 2006 for the fire department was given to the city council.

**BLEACHER REQUEST:**

A request from the City of Dallas to borrow some city's bleachers for June 29, 2007 was tabled until more information can be obtained.

**AIRPORT LEASE:**

A draft copy of an airport lease agreement with Ranchers Welding was given to the council. The agreement was approved by the council.

CLAIMS:

Motion was made by Council Member Boes, seconded by Council Member Soper, to pay the following claims with the exception of the Anshutz Co. bill for auditorium work until an explanation can be received. All members voted aye.

GENERAL FUND:

American Legal Publishing, second 40% billing code of ordinances	1,140.00
Appera, airport mats.....	55.64
B & F Variety, handbook covers/pens.....	18.13
Burke Oil Company, jet A fuel/2800 gal.....	7,109.00
Computers N' More, laptop carrying case.....	55.00
Diesel Systems, install tooth drive & clock starter/help w/tipped truck	187.50
Golden West, phone/cable service.....	901.82
Gregory County Hwy Dept, road maintenance/snow removal.....	63.75
Gregory Iron Works, acid.....	42.50
H & J Sales, saw work/work on blade.....	168.50
Jeff's Gregory Body Shop, replace door glass/'88 Ford truck.....	165.00
Kesweld, nutrition center hand railing.....	195.75
M & J Auto, carry case/house charger.....	45.00
Mark Fortuna, meal reimbursement/water conference.....	32.00
Mr. G's, gas/car wash tokens.....	45.61
Opperman Inc., snow removal.....	812.25
Petty cash, postage reimbursement/car wash.....	7.68
Pomp's Tire Service Inc., 2 tires/sander truck.....	410.36
Rosebud Auto Parts, starter/batteries/lens/tape/alternator/pin/welding rod halogen lamp/mirror/nuts & bolts/lubricant & patch/bit	897.66
Runnings Supply Inc., paint/wire wheel/spray paint/wire clamp/mounting plate & hook/pipe wrenches/utility gate/ext. cord/cable ties hardware/ nuts & bolts/quick links/gloves/dog food	390.59
Share Corporation, glass cleaner/anti-fog cleaner.....	273.64
Spann Construction Services, snow removal.....	525.00
Verizon Wireless, January 2007 cell phone service.....	207.03
Wag-Aero Group, airport base station/air band transceiver.....	1,635.15
Willuweit Construction, replace xmas bulbs/remove lights/ snow removal	1,526.00
Total \$	16,910.56

AIRPORT CAPITOL IMPROVEMENT 2007:

Helms & Associates, preliminary engineering/2007airport project ..	5,361.53
Total \$	5,361.53

WATER FUND:

B & F Variety, tablet.....	1.58
Best Western Ramkota Inn, lodging/Mark Fortuna.....	85.99
Golden West, phone service .....	81.89
Hawkins Inc., chlorine/hydrofluosilicic acid.....	901.63
McLeod's Printing & Office Supply, laser water bills .....	767.91
One Call Systems Inc, locate tickets.....	4.00
Petty cash, postage reimbursement.....	.63
Rosebud Auto Parts, nuts & bolts/hose/hose clamp .....	15.44
Runnings Supply Inc., wire stripper .....	19.99
Tripp County Water User District, water service payment.....	3,000.00
Verizon Wireless, January 2007 cell phone service .....	93.72
Total \$	4,972.78
Grand Total \$	27,244.87

PAYROLL OVERTIME APPROVED:

Mark Fortuna, 19.5 hrs overtime  
 Jack Wenger, 15.5 hrs overtime; weekend water duty 12/30-31/06, 1/1/07 & 1/6-7/07

1-12-07 PAYROLL:

BankWest, withholdings.....	2,749.72
SDRS, retirement .....	1,420.34
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.....	3,926.50
Street Dept .....	2,964.00
Airport.....	176.00
Library.....	530.00
Economic Development.....	200.00
Water Dept.....	2,361.51

AMBULANCE PAYROLL DECEMBER 2006:

BankWest, withholdings.....	993.20
Ambulance .....	4,277.54

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion was made by Council Member Mikkelsen, seconded by Council Member Boes, to go into executive session. All members voted aye. Council went into executive session at 8:55 p.m. At 8:58 p.m., Mayor Pochop took the council out of executive session.

ADJOURN:

Motion was made by Council Member Juracek, seconded by Council Member DeSmet, to adjourn. All members voted aye.

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Doug Pochop, Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Al Cerny, Finance Officer