

Gregory City Council Meeting
May 7, 2007

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

AGENDA:

The following items were added to the agenda: 7th Street water main; drainage issues, abandoned vehicles, and; signage around the school.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by Council Member Boes, seconded by Council Member Soper, to approve the April 16, 2007 council minutes as written. All members voted aye.

FIRE DEPT:

Lyle Haney and Brad Christensen met with the council to discuss some new and used fire truck pricing. A figure of \$147,000 was given for a new fire truck. Used fire trucks range from 10 years old, \$85,000-\$100,000 and 20 year old trucks at \$40,000. Discussion was held on how to pay for the truck. It was agreed that the Mayor and other city representatives would go to the County Commissioner's to ask about increasing the county wide mill levy for fire protection.

HWY 18 BUSINESS APPEARANCE:

The city council discussed the appearance of Todd Schweigert's business along Highway 18. Al Cerny informed the council that he had talked to Schweigert and invited him to the council meeting. Some of the items at this location do not belong to him and other items are either being held for payment or getting repaired. The council agreed that Todd should make the next council meeting and have a plan or time table to remove some of the items.

RUNNINGS SUPPLY:

Chad Stevicks and Don Nemer met with the council to ask the city to close the alley on Block 78 to help accommodate a store expansion for Runnings Supply. The council fully agreed to proceed with steps to close the alley.

DEPT. HEAD REPORT:

Mark Fortuna asked the council for a control unit which would adjust the chemicals for the pool. The cost would be \$2,400 installed. Motion was made by Council Member Mikkelsen, seconded by Council Member Schlaht, to approve the purchase of the control unit. All members voted aye.

It was agreed to have the residents affected by the storm on May 5, 2007 to pile their materials along the curbside and the city crews would remove on Wednesday, May 9, 2007.

EAST WYNIA ADDITION:

The council reviewed the findings of the engineer for a sewer line that would run to the east part of Wynia Addition. There is not enough elevation for regular gravity flow sewer main. A "force" main where each resident would have their own lift pump would work. The estimated cost of a private lift pump is approximately \$4,000. Motion was made by Council Member Schlaht that anyone building in the East Wynia Addition would have to put in a private lift pump for sewer service, seconded by Council Member Soper. All members voted aye.

BEN BEARSHIELD BUILDING PERMIT:

The city council approve the building permit of Ben Bearshield for a house along Clark Drive in the eastern part of Wynia Addition with the understanding that the city would provide a road, water service and the "force" sewer main to the residence and Bearshield would be responsible for his sewer lift pump.

PAYMENT DROP BOX:

Motion was made by Council Member Soper, seconded by Council Member DeSmet, to purchase and install a utility drop box in front of City Hall. All members voted aye.

ADJOURN "OLD" COUNCIL:

At this time, with no further old business, the council adjourned.

NEW COUNCIL:

Mayor Pochop called the new council to order. He gave the oaths of office to Gerrie Soper, Kevin Mikkelsen and Dan DeSmet, all two year terms.

PRESIDENT:

Motion was made by Council Member Soper, seconded by DeSmet to nominate Kevin Mikkelsen as President of the council. All members voted aye.

VICE PRESIDENT:

Council Member Boes nominated Gerrie Soper as Vice President of the council, seconded by Council Member Schlaht. All members voted aye.

COMMITTEES:

Committee assignments were tabled for the present time. All members will keep their old assignments for the time being.

INDUSTRIAL PARK:

Mayor Pochop reported that the city had received a \$166,000 CDBG grant for water and sewer service to the industrial park and a \$95,000 industrial park grant for a new road to the site.

STORM WATCHERS:

The council discussed setting some guidelines for the storm watchers. It was agreed that since the people are watching for storms in the county area, that the county should be talked to about making the storm watchers under the county's control.

DRAINAGE:

The council received a concern about drainage around 10th & Spencer due to a plugged culvert. Mark Fortuna will look into it the problem.

ABANDONED VEHICLES:

The council discussed several inoperable vehicles in certain sections of the city. An attempt will be made to have a car crusher firm talk to the owners. If the cars are not moved, the process to legally remove them will start.

USED POLES:

The council declared some posts and poles left from the demo derby as surplus and gave a price of \$125.00.

CREDIT CARD:

The council approved the issuance of city credit cards to Al Cerny and Mark Fortuna.

METER READING SALARY:

Motion was made by Council Member Mikkelsen to raise the salary of Colby Kirwan, meter reader, from \$200 to \$250 per month, seconded by Council Member Boes. All members voted aye.

SUMMER PARK HELP:

The council park committee agreed to let Mark Fortuna hire a summer park employee from the list of applicants. Fortuna made the decision to hire Kyle Hemeyer.

SCHOOL WATER MAIN BILL:

The council discussed paying the bill for running the water main from the school to Logan Avenue. The city originally agreed to run the water main to the school from 1st Street but not to Logan Avenue.

7th STREET WATER MAIN:

Council Member Boes asked if the city would run a water main from 7th & Church to Highway 47. The council agreed to get price quotes.

SIGNS AT SCHOOL:

The council agreed that the stop signs should remain up at the high school until everything is moved to the new school.

HEALTH INSURANCE:

Motion was made by Council Member Mikkelsen, seconded by Council Member DeSmet, to renew the health insurance coverage with the Health Pool of South Dakota for \$410.28 per month. All members voted aye.

SIRENS:

There was some discussion on the sirens working during Saturday's storm.

CLAIMS:

Motion was made by Council Member Boes, seconded by Council Member Juracek, to pay the following claims as presented. All members voted aye.

GENERAL FUND:

Ace Industrial Supply Inc., safety glasses	476.45
Appera, towels/coveralls/mats	35.03
B & F Variety, putty	2.38
Barco Municipal Products, street signs/stop signs.....	200.50
Beck Motors Inc., '05 Blazer transmission flush/tires rotated/filter..	190.65
BG's Electronic Service, digital recorder	69.99
Blaine McCance, fireworks display school reimbursement	843.10
Collegiate Pacific, basketball breakaway rim.....	150.79
Division of Motor Vehicles, plate fees	9.00
Drey Septic, pump roadside bathrooms	175.00
Golden West, phone service	856.74
Governmental Finance Officers' Assoc., finance officer school reg.	75.00
Gregory Building Center, jumping jack tamper	25.00
Gregory County Hwy Dept., road maintenance/gravel hauling	213.84
Gregory Drug, film	8.99
Gregory Lanes, election meals.....	5.83
Gregory Times Advocate, council publishing/election ballots & notice	846.33
Gregory's, city cleanup meals.....	79.75
H & J Sales Inc., transmission oil/sharpen chain.....	21.00
Harrison Plumbing & Heating, install urinal/repairs	296.67
Holiday Inn – Mitchell, lodging/Mark Fortuna st. maintenance meeting	50.00
Incode – CMS, software maintenance	2,267.80
Jana Winters, lifeguard training materials reimbursement	149.40
Jim's Garbage Service, garbage pickup service	135.00
Karls, audio cassette/batteries.....	17.47
Ken Adams, mileage reimbursement/RC & D meeting.....	69.05
Kesweld, tube/loader pin	64.00
Klein's True Value, mop/cleaning supplies/gloves/dead bolt/mower blade/keys/parts/fittings/hose hanger.....	232.15
Louie's Grocery, coffee/cups/paper towels/garbage bags	12.10
Mark Fortuna, meal/diesel reimbursement	68.50
Mr. Automotive, oil & air filters.....	203.93
Office Depot, flash drive.....	47.99
Office Products Center, staples/file folders	10.20
Opperman Inc., 31.11 ton gravel	388.88
Petty cash, postage reimbursement	13.32
Ramada Inn – Airport, lodging/Michael Jacobsen pool & spa class .	201.51
Rosebud Auto Parts, alternator/hose/sensor/air filter/gloves/battery.	664.91
Rosebud Electric Cooperative Inc., electricity/lens for ball field.....	2,645.08
Rosebud Farmers Union, propane/lube oil/diesel fuel/gas/fuel oil/filter	3,288.08
Runnings Supply Inc., fittings/ext.cord/insecticide/thatcher/key/battery nuts & bolts/batteries/spray paint.....	249.88
Share Corporation, cleaner/penetrating oil	570.96
SD Human Resource Assoc., human resource school registration....	35.00

Stan Houston Equipment, strong bond patch kit	155.80
The Clean Zone, 25 car wash tokens	112.50
The Health Pool of SD, May health insurance	2,293.38
The Radar Shop, radar units recertified	117.00
Tom's Standard, oil changes/tire repair/oil filter	103.61
Wm. Krotter Co., foam/caulk/screws	40.14
Division of Motor Vehicles, 4-wheeler plate fees	9.00
Division of Motor Vehicles, oiler truck plate fees.....	8.00
Total \$	18,806.68

RD LOAN REPAYMENT REVENUE:

Rural Development, May loan payment	4,285.00
Total \$	4,285.00

BALL PARK CONSTRUCTION:

Christensen Sales & Service, little league field electrical materials..	2,000.00
SMC, ag lime for ballfield	173.95
Total \$	2,173.95

AIRPORT CAPITOL IMPROVEMENT 2007:

American Technical Services, soil testing	3,695.00
Total \$	3,695.00

INDUSTRIAL PARK IMPROVEMENTS:

Arens Engineering, project construction plans & contract documents	7,170.00
Total \$	7,170.00

WATER FUND:

Ace's Backhoe Service, repair fire hydrant/5 th & Whittecar	459.18
Appeara, coveralls.....	5.37
Christensen Sales & Service, well field service call.....	20.40
Department of Revenue, water testing.....	73.00
Golden West, phone service	85.63
Harrison Plumbing & Heating, fittings.....	192.45
HD Supply Waterworks Ltd., fire hydrant repair parts	206.07
Incode-CMS, software maintenance.....	1,638.00
Klein's True Value, pvc cap	2.49
Lou's Shoppe, uniform t-shirts	31.80

Michael Jacobsen, mileage/meals reimbursement – pool & spa class	196.00
O.L. Bussmus Construction Inc., water main to school/school to Logan	6,606.00
Office Depot, flash drive.....	24.99
One Call Systems Inc., locate tickets.....	14.00
Petty cash, postage reimbursement.....	1.50
Rosebud Auto Parts, fittings.....	10.82
Rosebud Electric Cooperative Inc., electricity.....	1,067.54
Rosebud Farmers Union, propane/gas.....	353.65
Runnings Supply Inc., gloves.....	9.59
Sensus Metering Systems, water meter reading software support.....	1,200.00
Steffen Fencing, fencing around east well field & blue tank.....	2,295.00
The Health Pool of SD, May health insurance.....	764.46
Tripp County Water User District, water service.....	3,000.00
Postmaster, water billing postage.....	169.44
Total \$	18,427.38

SEWER FUND:

Department of Revenue, wastewater testing.....	324.00
Rosebud Electric Cooperative Inc., electricity.....	44.44
Rosebud Farmers Union, gas.....	206.72
Runnings Supply Inc., clamps & hoses.....	7.83
Total \$	582.99
Grand Total \$	55,141.00

PAYROLL OVERTIME APPROVED:

Mark Fortuna, 3 hrs overtime; weekend water duty 4/7-8/07
Michael Jacobsen, weekend water duty 4/21-22/07
Jack Wenger, 4.5 hrs overtime; weekend water duty 4/14-15/07 & 4/28-29/07

4-20-07 PAYROLL:

BankWest, withholdings.....	2,901.00
SDRS, retirement.....	1,424.78
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.....	4,324.50
Street Dept.....	2,720.00
Airport.....	268.00
Park.....	352.00

Library.....	684.00
Water Dept.....	2,320.00
Economic Development.....	200.00
General Government Building.....	200.00

5-4-07 PAYROLL:

BankWest, withholdings.....	2,836.25
SDRS, retirement.....	1,438.70
Aflac, insurance.....	31.80
Office of Child Support Enforcement, child support payment.....	230.77
Credit Collections Bureau, wage garnishment.....	80.00
City of Gregory, wage garnishment.....	30.00
Finance Officer.....	1,467.20
Police Dept.....	4,411.50
Street Dept.....	2,776.00
Airport.....	264.00
Park.....	278.00
Library.....	530.00
Water Dept.....	2,120.00
Economic Development.....	200.00

AMBULANCE PAYROLL APRIL 2007:

BankWest, withholdings.....	848.93
Ambulance.....	3,564.00

AUDITORIUM:

The Mayor gave the auditorium committee a letter from the janitor explaining the cleaning situation at the auditorium.

ADJOURN:

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

Doug Pochop, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Al Cerny, Finance Officer