

Gregory City Council Meeting
May 21, 2007

The Gregory City Council met in regular session at the Gregory City Hall on Monday, May 21, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. The following members were present: Council Members, Wade Juracek, Gerrie Soper, Maurice Schlaht, Kevin Mikkelsen and Stacey Boes. Absent were Mayor Doug Pochop and Council Member Dan DeSmet. Others present were Finance Officer /City Administrator Al Cerny, Public Works Superintendent Mark Fortuna and news reporter Colleen Flynn.

AGENDA:

The following items were added to the agenda: warning siren, walking trail, and water works.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by Council Member Boes, seconded by Council Member Juracek, to approve the May 7, 2007 minutes as written. All members voted aye.

FIRE DEPT:

Brad Christensen, representing the Gregory Fire Department, met with the council to discuss increasing the fire dept.'s budget with the county by increasing the county wide mill levy for the fire departments. It was stated that any opt out would have to be approved by the county commissioners. Christensen requested that the city increase the fire dept.'s budget from \$16,500 to \$25,000.

DEPT HEAD REPORT/MARK FORTUNA:

Mark Fortuna reported that his department was working on mowing and pool work. Some repairs were being made to the big loader.

HIGHWAY 18 BUSINESS:

Todd Schweigert and Henry Schulte met with the council to discuss the vehicles parked at their place of business. The council members were informed that a lot of the equipment was being held for final payment by the customer. The school buses will be removed right after the school buses are fixed for inspection. The owner of some of the other stuff will be contacted to get the items removed from their property.

STORM WATCHERS:

The discussion on storm watchers was tabled until the next meeting because Mayor Pochop had attended the county meeting on this subject but he was unable to be at the city meeting.

WARNING SIREN:

Council Member Wade Juracek asked about the warning siren being moved to a different place when the council had voted to place it at another spot and he was not aware of the decision to change the council's decision.

WALKING TRAIL:

Council Member Gerrie Soper asked about the walking trail curb being put up in the park. She had received a few calls in which the people had expressed their opinions against the curb. There is grant money to bring in ag lime to build the trail up the curb and it was felt that within a year or two, the dirt will fill in around the curb which would help the curb blend in better. There will be no curb put in between the entrance to the ball field.

WATER LEAKS:

Mark reported that the city had found two water leaks on private service lines and a situation at the livestock barn area where a hydrant is not metered.

LAWN MOWING:

There was discussion on certain lots that need mowing. Al Cerny informed the council that he had sent several notices. The current charge, if the city mows the lots, is \$60.00 per hour with a \$60.00 minimum.

WATER MAIN:

Council Member Boes asked if an estimate was available for a water main to run ½ block west from 7th Street & Whittecar Avenue. Mark Fortuna gave an estimate of \$6,100 but no firm estimate was available from a contractor. A quote for the project will be available at the next council meeting.

AIRPORT PROJECT:

The District FAA Office has informed the city that there is \$928,578.00 available to the city for airport runway, taxiway and apron work for 2007. The bid letting for the project will be held as soon as possible.

APRIL FINANCIAL REPORT:

The council reviewed the balance sheet and revenue/expense reports from the month of April.

WATER BILL:

The council reviewed a request to lower water bill because of a water line break. The council agreed not to lower the bill.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS:

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

GENERAL FUND:

Appera, coveralls/mats/towels	35.03
Bartling Redi-Mix, auditorium ramp/valley gutter	2,829.00
Commercial Asphalt, 92.68 tons patch mix	4,935.21
Galls, boots/gear bag	162.97
Genesis Lamp Corporation, runway bulbs	70.34
Johnson Eklund Law Office, legal services	662.75
McLeod's Printing & Office Supply, envelopes	23.61
Midwest Tree Care, grind tree stump	100.00
Petty cash, postage reimbursement	27.29
Plains Printing Co., fixed asset ledger sheets	47.00
Prairie Pest Control, city hall termite control	240.00
Rosebud Electric Coop., Inc., electricity	1,993.01
Rosebud Farmers Union, oil/laminating/gas/weed killer/mower part propane/diesel fuel	2,219.95
SD Public Assurance Alliance, insurance for airport building	482.00
Spann Construction Services, city wide cleanup	656.25
Summit Supply Corp., litter receptacle/grill w/grate	604.00
The Health Pool of SD, June health insurance	2,293.38
Troy Dummer, meal reimbursement	9.76
Van Diest Supply Company, mosquito control	609.40
Verizon Wireless, May cell phone service	351.15
Westcoast Sales & Market, freight charges/airport beacon light	150.00
Willuweit Construction, city wide cleanup/trees	8,327.00
Total \$	26,829.10

MAIN STREET SINKING:

First National Bank, interest payment on Main St bonds	17,538.75
Total \$	17,538.75

BALL PARK CONSTRUCTION:

Bob Boes Trucking, trucking ag lime to new ball field.....	4,488.00
SMC, 124.75 ton ag lime	873.25
Total \$	5,361.25

WATER FUND:

Appera, coveralls.....	5.37
Department of Revenue, water testing.....	73.00
Hawkins Inc., container demurrage	5.00
HD Supply Waterworks Ltd., 4” meter/fittings	3,287.86
Rosebud Electric Cooperative Inc., electricity	1,290.68
Rosebud Farmers Union, propane/gas/posts/barbed wire/staples.....	2,020.95
The Health Pool of SD, June health insurance	764.46
Verizon Wireless, May cell phone service	44.49
Waylor Enterprises, well field controls repairs.....	1,610.60
Total \$	9,102.41

SEWER FUND:

Department of Revenue, wastewater testing.....	70.00
Petty cash, postage reimbursement	17.60
Rosebud Electric Cooperative Inc., electricity	46.27
Rosebud Farmers Union, gas	165.19
Total \$	299.06

Grand Total \$ 59,130.57

PAYROLL OVERTIME APPROVED:

Mark Fortuna, 4.5 hrs overtime; weekend water duty 5/5-6/07 & 5/12-13/07
 Jack Wenger, 2.5 hrs overtime

5-18-07 PAYROLL:

BankWest, withholdings	3,070.50
SDRS, retirement	1,450.54
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.....	4,235.50
Street Dept	3,069.25
Airport.....	272.00
Park	616.00
Library.....	764.50
Water Dept.....	2,410.00
Economic Development.....	200.00
General Government Building	200.00

ADJOURN:

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

Doug Pochop, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Al Cerny, Finance Officer/City Administrator