

Gregory City Council Meeting
February 2, 2009

The Gregory City Council met in regular session at the Gregory City Hall on Monday, February 2, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. The following members were present: Mayor Wade Juracek; Council Members, Tim Mills, Chad Peck, Gerrie Soper, Maurice Schlaht, Dan DeSmet and Kevin Mikkelsen. Others present were Finance Officer Al Cerny, Public Works Superintendent Mark Fortuna and News Reporter Colleen Flynn.

AGENDA ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS:

The following items were added to the agenda: ROCS Bus, drainage problems and SDATAT membership. Motion was made by Council Member Mills to approve the agenda with the additional items. All members voted aye.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by Council Member Peck to approve, as written, the regular minutes of January 19, 2009. All members voted aye.

DEPT. HEAD REPORTS:

Airport Manager Ken Adams gave a report on the airport. He mentioned that the fuel pumps were fixed and the SuperAWOS system is up and running. He asked permission to have a satellite tv system installed in the airport lobby at no cost to the city. The council agreed to the request. Adams outlined a proposal for a model airplane show, breakfast and Young Eagles airplane rides for the youth. This would be done around the 4th of July. The council took no action on this proposal.

Public Works Superintendent Mark Fortuna informed the council of the SuperAWOS website where Gregory's current weather information can be found. Fortuna also presented the council with new information about a different jet-cam system to videotape sewer mains, both public and private. The cost of this system would be approximately \$16,192.00, plus freight. Motion was made by Council Member DeSmet to purchase the camera system. Roll call vote: Aye: DeSmet, Soper & Schlaht. Nay: Mills, Peck & Mikkelsen. Mayor Juracek voted aye to break the tie. Motion carried. It was agreed to set the rental fees for the use of the camera at the next meeting.

DRAINAGE:

Two areas of drainage concern were mentioned. The locations are 7th & Rosebud Avenue and 315 Whittecar Avenue. The street department will check the areas, but it was mentioned that frozen culverts might be the problem.

POLICE DEPT:

Police Chief Dwight Ellwanger reported to the council that applications are being taken for the police officer position. Steve McDowell is teaching the DARE Program to all the county schools. Ellwanger received council approval to attend the Police Chief's meeting to be held in Pierre, SD on February 5, 2009.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Finance Officer Al Cerny gave the city council the financial report on the final 2008 financials. Sales tax revenues were up \$12,000 over 2007 and overall revenues were also up for 2007. The General Fund expenses were \$52,315.38 more than revenues. Copies of the financial report were handed out to the council and are also available to the public.

CITY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:

The council received a list of items that they need to do in implementing a new city comprehensive plan. The first thing is to name members to a planning and zoning commission. Mayor Juracek will make the appointments by the next council meeting.

SD AIRPORT CONFERENCE:

The council approved the request to send Ken Adams, Mark Fortuna and Al Cerny to the South Dakota Airport Conference to be held in Aberdeen, SD on March 25-26, 2009.

ROCS BUS:

Council Member Mikkelsen reported on the possibility of obtaining an additional ROCS Bus for Gregory. The city would cost share (50/50) with ROCS the bus operating expenses and the driver's salary. If there is enough interest for the bus, a more accurate estimate of the city's cost would be obtained from the director of the service. Residents are asked to contact any council member, Lyle Martin at (605) 835-8067 or city hall at (605) 835-8270 if interested.

SDATAT MEMBERSHIP:

The council agreed not to join the South Dakota Association of Towns and Townships at this time.

CLAIMS:

Motion was made by Council Member Peck to pay the following claims. All members voted aye.

GENERAL FUND:

Appeara, towels/coveralls/hand cleaner/mats	40.71
Custom Aluminum Fabrication, Frisbee golf signs	20.00
Dockendorf Equipment Co., Inc., Gasboy ribbon	42.34
Golden West, February phone service	862.87
Gregory Building Center, bucket truck rental	70.00
Gregory County Treasurer, taxes on 218 Rosebud (lot given to city)	68.42
Gregory Iron Works, iron/welding	47.78
Gregory Times Advocate, council publishing	177.49
H & J Sales Inc., fuel filters/parts	47.00
Mr. Automotive, tail light/floor dry/filter	30.48
Office Products Center, correction tape/file folders/clips/cleaner/ storage boxes/ink cartridges.....	187.01
Petty cash, postage reimbursement	1.51
Plains Printing Co., stamped window envelopes	141.97
Rosebud Electric Cooperative Inc., electricity	4,405.17
Runnings Supply Inc., fittings/nuts & bolts/supplies	37.33
SDML Workers Compensation Fund, 2009 Work Comp renewal....	11,744.00
Share Corporation, glass cleaner/vandal mark remover	353.71
South Dakota Airports Conference, registration fees	180.00
The Health Pool of SD, February health insurance	2,563.80
Total \$	21,021.59

RD LOAN REPAYMENT REVENUE:

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

WATER FUND:

Appeara, coveralls	6.34
Department of Revenue, water-testing	1,152.00
Golden West, February phone service	81.28
Mr. Automotive, spark plugs/socket.....	6.66
Petty cash, postage reimbursement	1.35
Plains Printing Co., stamped window envelopes	141.98
Rosebud Electric Cooperative Inc., electricity	1,642.09
SDML Workers Compensation Fund, 2009 Work Comp renewal....	846.00
The Health Pool of SD, February health insurance	854.60
Tripp County Water User District, water service	3,000.00
Total \$	7,732.30

SEWER FUND:

Infrastructure Technologies Inc., 2-way valve	85.50
Rosebud Electric Cooperative Inc., electricity	62.83
Total \$	148.33
Grand Total \$	33,187.22

PAYROLL OVERTIME APPROVED:

Mark Fortuna, weekend water duty 1/17-18/09
Jack Wenger, weekend water duty 1/10-11/09

1-21-09 PAYROLL:

BankWest, withholdings	3,006.39
SDRS, retirement	1,545.32
Aflac, insurance	142.88
Office of Child Support Enforcement, child support payment	219.23
City of Gregory, extra cell phone charges	54.21
Finance Officer	1,635.20
Police Dept.....	4,524.58
Street Dept	3,106.08
Airport.....	227.76
Library	623.73
Water Dept	2,648.81
General Government Building.....	250.00

ADJOURN:

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

Wade Juracek, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Al Cerny, Finance Officer