

Gregory City Council Meeting
October 20, 2008

The Gregory City Council met in regular session at the Gregory City Hall on Mon., Oct. 20, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. The following members were present: Mayor Wade Juracek; Council Members, Gerrie Soper, Chad Peck, Dan DeSmet, Kevin Mikkelsen and Tim Mills. Absent was Council Member Maurice Schlaht. 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: PBTs; Pochop plat; lighting on Lutheran Church parking lot, and city limits hunting. Motion was made by Council Member Peck to approve the agenda with the additions. All members voted aye.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by Council Member Mills to approve the minutes from October 6, 2008 as written.

DEPT HEAD REPORT:

Mark Fortuna reported that the city street and water department employees have been working on cleaning sewer mains and winterizing equipment. The park bathrooms will be closed this Friday.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Work has started on putting the new heating system in at the auditorium. The 3-phase generator will not be needed because everything will be single phase. The city may be able to surplus the generator to a surrounding town.

OLD BUSINESS:

ZONING:

Al Cerny reported that the city attorney's advice on the commercial zoning boundaries was to leave them in place as is. If a situation arises, it was felt that an individual area should be residential, and then the council could do a variance. The council also agreed to look into having the city's comprehensive plan re-done since it is 30 years old.

PBTs:

Mayor Juracek commented on having the city police department doing the 24-hour PBTs. He posed the question whether it was the city's responsibility to do the testing. If not, can the city get paid for doing the county's job? The city has no problem doing the testing, just that the city should be reimbursed for doing it.

SPEED ZONE:

Al Cerny reported that he had emailed the state to inform the DOT that the city council agreed to the recommendation of moving the 30 mph speed zone further west on the west side of Gregory. Efforts are being made to borrow a digital speed sign to go along Highway 18. Chief of Police Dwight Ellwanger is looking at grants to purchase a digital speed sign.

ONE DAY BEER LICENSE:

The city council approved the Gregory Golf Club's request for a one day malt beverage/spiking permit to be held on Sat., November 1, 2008 at the Gregory Memorial Auditorium.

BUILDING PERMIT/FIEBELKORN:

The council agreed to approve a building permit submitted by Wayne and Amanda Fiebelkorn to place a double-wide trailer at 11th & Felton Avenue. There was no variance needed.

AIRPORT COMPUTER:

The council received a cost estimate of \$500 for a computer, \$59.95 per month internet service, a \$50 one time fee for a wireless router and \$200 for a printer/fax/copier machine for use at the airport. Motion was made by Council Member Mills to approve of the computer, internet hookup and service and all in one printer for the airport. All members voted aye.

POCHOP BUILDING PERMIT:

Doug Pochop submitted a building permit application to the council for an office and storage unit building. The building would be built on the lots Pochop owns north of city hall. Motion was made by Council Member Peck to grant a building permit to Doug Pochop for a storage and office building. All members voted aye.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The council reviewed the balance sheet and revenue/expense statement for the month of September.

AVERA GREGORY HEALTHCARE:

The city council was informed that within five years Avera Rosebud Country Care Center will have to be equipped with a live sprinkler system. The question was asked if the city had enough water flow/pressure for this type of system or would some additional mains have to be installed. It was agreed that the city would have to know how much gpm and pressure setup would be needed at the nursing home before the city could proceed.

PLAT:

Motion was made by Council Member Mills to accept the plat of Lots 5, 6 and 7 of the Pochop Subdivision located in the SE ¼ Section of 11, T97N, R73W of the 5th p.m., Gregory County, South Dakota. All members voted aye.

LUTHERAN CHURCH PARKING LOT:

Council Member Peck reported that he had been contacted about having the city pay for a portion of the Lutheran Church’s parking lot lighting since the parking lot is used by people going to events at the auditorium. Council Member Mikkelsen will get the information on the lights, maintenance cost, etc. for the next meeting. The council agreed to table until the next meeting.

CITY LIMITS/HUNTING:

Council Member Peck informed the council about hunting on land east of Felton Avenue and south of 1st Street. There is no hunting allowed in city limits and there was a question whether this area is in or out of city limits. The city limits will be determined and if this land is in the limits, then no hunting will take place.

CLAIMS:

Motion was made by Council Member Peck to approve payment of the following claims. All council members voted aye.

GENERAL FUND:

Al Cerny, SDML convention/meal reimbursement	27.45
Appera, coveralls/towels/soap/mats	39.57
Berkley Surety Group, notary bond	50.00
Gregory County Hwy Dept., road maintenance.....	68.75
Gregory County Title Co., title insurance/search fee - Messerschmidt	215.00
Gregory Drug, film	39.06
Gunvordahl & Gunvordahl, warranty deed/cert. of value - Messerschmidt	42.40
Hollis Haisch, 100 ton gravel.....	1,210.00
Kristi Drey, 6 month cell phone reimbursement.....	75.00
MC & R Pools Inc., winterize/close pool	548.31
Michaels Fence and Supply, 2 airport gate openers	54.18
Petty cash, postage reimbursement	1.00
Public Safety Center Inc., safety vests.....	561.53
Rosebud Electric Cooperative Inc., electricity	2,477.37
Rosebud Farmers Union, gas/diesel fuel/tires	2,125.27
Sanitation Products, street sweeper repair work.....	3,269.14
Secretary of State, notary public commission renewal.....	25.00
Verizon Wireless, cell phone charges	237.23
Total \$	11,066.26

WATER FUND:

Appera, coveralls.....	6.19
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HD Supply Waterworks Ltd., suction hose	386.56
One Call Systems Inc., locate tickets.....	12.00
Rosebud Electric Cooperative Inc., electricity	1,360.26
Rosebud Farmers Union, gas	274.67
South Dakota Sate Plumbing Commission, 2009 installer license/M. Fortuna	40.00
Verizon Wireless, cell phone charges.....	74.07
Waylor Enterprises, east well field control system repairs.....	7,135.30

Total \$ 9,289.05

SEWER FUND:

Rosebud Electric Cooperative Inc., electricity	43.44
Rosebud Farmers Union, gas	186.78

Total \$ 230.22

Grand Total \$ 20,585.53

PAYROLL OVERTIME APPROVED:

Mark Fortuna, weekend water duty 10/4-5/08
 Jack Wenger, weekend water duty 10/11-12/08

10-15-08 PAYROLL:

BankWest, withholdings	2,804.04
SDRS, retirement	1,478.76
Aflac, insurance	78.04
Office of Child Support Enforcement, child support payment.....	219.23
City of Gregory, extra cell phone charges	16.99
Finance Officer	1,587.20
Police Dept.....	4,191.25
Street Dept	2,787.50
Airport.....	331.50
Park	342.38
Library.....	463.00
Water Dept.....	2,360.00
Economic Development.....	200.00

ADJOURN:

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

 Wade Juracek, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
 Al Cerny, City Finance Officer