

Gregory City Council Meeting
June 18, 2007

The Gregory City Council met in regular session at the Gregory City Hall on Monday, June 18, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. The following members were present: Council Members, Wade Juracek, Stacey Boes, Gerrie Soper, Maurice Schlaht and Dan DeSmet. Absent were Mayor Doug Pochop and Council Member Kevin Mikkelsen. Others present were Finance Officer Al Cerny, Public Works Supt. Mark Fortuna and news reporter Colleen Flynn. Council Member Vice-President Gerrie Soper presided over the meeting.

AGENDA:

The following items were added to the agenda: grass complaints, auditorium handicap parking, streets and problem at the buttes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by Council Member Boes, seconded by Council Member Juracek, to approve the minutes from June 4, 2007 as written. All members voted aye.

ONE DAY BEER LICENSES:

The Gregory Golf Course applied for a special one day malt beverage for July 3, 2007 and July 7, 2007 at the Gregory Memorial Auditorium. Motion was made by Council Member Juracek, seconded by Council Member DeSmet, to approve the special one day licenses. All members voted aye.

BEER LICENSE RENEWALS:

The following businesses applied for malt beverage license renewals: Gregory Lanes (off-sale); Mary Bob's (off-sale); American Legion Club (on-off sale); Mr. G's (on-off sale); Louie's Grocery (off-sale); GF Buche of Gregory (on-off sale); The Diner on Main (off-sale) and; Homesteader (off-sale). Motion was made by Council Member DeSmet, seconded by Council Member Schlaht, to approve the above mentioned malt beverage renewals.

FIRE DEPARTMENT/ISO RATING:

Lyle Haney and Brad Christensen met with the council to discuss the ISO rating. The city has sent for Gregory's customized ISO rating which should show how the city is currently rated. When this report is available, it should help determine what steps should be taken to keep or increase the ISO rating. The fire marshal's office will be contacted to ask how important having a 750 gallon per minute pumper is to the rating.

AIRPORT BIDS:

Bob Babcock from Helms & Associates met with the council to review the airport bids that the city received. The following bids were received: Vanderpol Dragline Inc., \$677,278.50; Commercial Asphalt, \$735,714.10 and; Bituminous, \$802,523.00. Motion was made by Council Member DeSmet, seconded by Council Member Juracek, to make tentative award of AIP Project #3-46-0018-06-2007 to Vanderpol Dragline, Inc., Mitchell, SD, in the amount of \$677,278.50 for the base bid, pending receipt of FAA grant offer and applicable DBE participation or “good faith effort” documentation. All members voted aye.

INDUSTRIAL PARK BID:

Vern Arens from Arens Engineering met with the council to go over the bids received for work on the industrial park. Two bids were received: Slowey Construction, \$303,062.00 and Northern Plains Construction, \$298,887.50. Motion was made by Council Member Boes, seconded by Council Member DeSmet, to accept the low bid of Northern Plains Construction in the amount of \$298,887.50, contingent upon state DOT and CDBG approval. All members voted aye.

KEN ADAMS/AIRPORT:

Airport Manager Ken Adams met with the council to give an airport report. He discussed the need for a hangar at the airport. The council agreed to reimburse him for the GA News at a cost of \$24.00 per year. Adams also informed the council that work is continuing on getting a statue of John Gregory to be placed in the park.

MARK FORTUNA/PUBLIC WORKS DEPT. HEAD

Public Works Supt. Mark Fortuna reported that work was being done on mowing but he was having trouble with breakdowns. Some water leaks and fire hydrants were fixed. The pool is running good.

POLICE DEPT/PART-TIME HELP:

The council approved using Sheriff Deputy Steve McDowell for city work when he is available at \$10.00 per hour.

PARK TRAIL:

The park trail curbing was looked at with Mike Steffen and curbing looks good except for around the shelters. This part will be replaced. There was also discussion of some of the curb having had names carved into it. It was estimated that the trail will need 200 tons of aglime at an estimated cost of \$7,500-\$8,000. The council agreed to finish the project with the cost over run.

BUSINESS IN RESIDENTIAL AREA:

The council discussed a business being run by Norman Scholz in a residential area. The issue of noise with the running of lawn mowers was the big problem. The council agreed that he could operate at his current location if he ran the lawn mowers inside a closed garage to limit the noise otherwise he would have to shut down or move it to a commercial zoned area.

ORDINANCE #199:

Ordinance #199, an ordinance dealing with grass and weed mowing, was placed on its second reading. Motion was made by Council Member DeSmet, seconded by Council Member Boes, to approve the second reading of Ordinance #199. All members voted aye.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Finance Officer Al Cerny gave the council a May financial report.

PETITION FOR SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS:

The council agreed to wait on taking any action on a petition for sidewalk improvements until a cost estimate is received.

GRASS/WEEDS:

Dan DeSmet received a complaint about the lawn needing mowed south of Ed Kahler's along with the garage area needing picked up. The owners/residents will be notified.

AUDITORIUM PARKING:

Wade Juracek asked if a handicap parking sign could be placed on the new concrete pad by the handicap ramp at the auditorium. A handicap sign will be painted on the pad.

DULING DRIVE:

Wade Juracek inquired about a curve on Duling Drive which is getting torn up. Mark Fortuna will be repairing the street in the future.

BUTTES PROBLEM:

Wade Juracek reported that some kids are playing at the buttes at the observation park. They have started a few fires. The police department will look into the matter.

Apparea, mats/coveralls/towels	62.89
Arrow Mfg Inc., repairs to ambulance.....	8,196.91
First Fidelity Bank, UCC filing/Wilson revolving loan.....	19.00
Gregory County Hwy Dept., road maintenance/ ½ cost share hired trucking	3,275.61
Gregory County Landfill, landfill fees.....	140.00
Hollis Haisch, 126.25 ton gravel.....	1,313.00
Janice Tilton, library books purchased	561.38
Jim's Garbage Service, garbage pickup service	135.00
Louie's Grocery, cleaning supplies/business after hours at airport ...	88.27
M & J Auto, cell phone/car charger – Troy Dummer.....	124.99
McLeods Printing & Office Supply, animal control citations	97.64
Office Depot, police dept. typewriter	153.37
Office Products Center, binder clips/pen refills/transparency film ...	51.33
Oliver Services, spray park for weeds	40.00
Oyate Trail of Southern South Dakota, Oyate Trail tourism promotion	200.00
Petty cash, postage reimbursement.....	8.24
Plains Printing Co., pool desk calendar	4.00
Postmaster, PO Box fee	104.00
Roberta Spann, lifeguard CPR certification.....	72.00
Rosebud Auto Parts, spark plugs/fuel filter/thread lock/head gasket/valves bulbs/parts/nuts & bolts/fittings/bearing/belts .	477.91
Rosebud Electric Cooperative Inc., electricity purchased	2,048.93
Rosebud Farmers Union, diesel fuel/gas/oil/weed control	1,415.59
Van Diest Supply Company, mosquito control supplies	3,113.15
Verizon Wireless, June cell phone service	298.09
Total \$	22,721.10

SRF LOAN SINKING:

First National Bank, SRF loan payment	4,127.57
Total \$	4,127.57

FELTON AVENUE BOND SINKING:

BankWest, first ½ bond payment.....	12,790.00
Total \$	12,790.00

BALL PARK CONSTRUCTION:

Bob Boes Trucking, trucking 171.9 ton aglime.....	5,157.00
SMC, 24.55 ton aglime	171.85
Total \$	5,328.85

AIRPORT CAPITOL IMPROVEMENT 2007:

Helms & Associates, final payment on airport	10,723.06
Total \$	10,723.06

WATER FUND:

American Security Cabinets Inc., water payment drop box	1,273.00
Appera, coveralls.....	5.37
Hawkins Inc., container demurrage	5.00
HD Supply Waterworks Ltd., adapters/reducers	213.33
One Call Systems Inc., locate tickets.....	11.00
Petty cash, postage reimbursement06
Rosebud Electric Cooperative Inc., electricity purchased	1,492.58
Rosebud Farmers Union,	127.34
Verizon Wireless, June cell phone service	44.53
Total \$	3,172.21

SEWER FUND:

Rosebud Auto Parts, fuel line/swivel.....	10.47
Rosebud Electric Cooperative Inc., electricity purchased	40.84
Total \$	51.31

WATER DEPOSIT:

Lois Wolf, refund water deposit60
Total \$.60
Grand Total \$	58,914.70

PAYROLL OVERTIME APPROVED:

Jack Wenger, 2.5 hrs overtime; weekend water duty 6/9-10/07

6-15-07 PAYROLL:

BankWest, withholdings	3,549.03
SDRS, retirement	1,396.18
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.....	4,040.00
Street Dept	2,837.00
Airport.....	256.00
Pool	1,830.30
Park	2,211.63
Library.....	806.50
Water Dept.....	2,200.00
Economic Development.....	200.00

AMBULANCE PAYROLL MAY 2007:

BankWest, withholdings.....	1,008.43
Ambulance	4,147.00

ADJOURN:

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

Gerrie Soper, Vice-President

ATTEST: _____
Al Cerny, Finance Officer