

Gregory City Council Meeting  
April 6, 2009

The Gregory City Council met in regular session at the Gregory City Hall on Mon., April 6, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. The following members were present: Mayor Dan DeSmet; Council Members, Tim Mills, Gerrie Soper, Chad Peck, Kevin Mikkelsen and Maurice Schlaht. Others present were Finance Officer Al Cerny, Public Works Supt. Mark Fortuna and News Reporter Colleen Flynn.

AGENDA ADDITIONS:

The building permit of Rick Hogue and an electrical power line right-of-way were added to the agenda. Motion was made by Council Member Schlaht to approve the agenda as written with the new additions. All members voted aye.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by Council Member Soper to approve, as written, the regular minutes of March 16, 2009. All members voted aye.

THRIFT STORE:

Lyle Martin spoke with the council about using the Vision Care building on Main Street that the city owns for a thrift store/food bank site. The thrift store committee would not make any changes to the interior of the building. Vision Care Associates will be contacted to see if they want the fixtures they left behind. Motion was made by Council Member Schlaht to draw up a lease agreement for 6 months, the first 2 months being \$200 per month, and the next 4 months at \$275 per month. The thrift store would pay all utility and heating costs. All members voted aye.

EMIL HLAVKA:

Emil Hlavka, representing the Lions Club, met with the council to discuss installing a rollup canvas shade cover for a section of the bleachers at the main ballpark. The Lions Club will pay for all the materials. Motion was made by Council Member Peck to accept the Lions Club offer and proceed with installing the rollup canvas canopy for the ballpark bleachers. All members voted aye.

DEPT. HEAD REPORT:

Public Works Supt. Mark Fortuna discussed the snow removal efforts during the last blizzard. It was decided to leave snow on Main Street and let it melt.

The drains on the main swimming pools have been re-worked but the baby pool still needs to have some drain and piping repairs.

TOUR DE KOTA:

Plans are being finalized for the June 9, 2009 Tour de Kota overnight stay in Gregory. The council encourages all community residents to clean up their lots so that the 700-800 riders will have good impression of Gregory.

## HOUSE REMOVAL:

The council discussed options for the removal of the house owned by Rick Lutt situated ½ block west of city hall. The council agreed to furnish a spot at the city's tree dump site and haul the debris at \$2.00 per loaded per load per mile. Lutt will have to load the trucks and compact the debris at the city's tree dump.

## COPS GRANT:

The council was in agreement to apply for a US Department of Justice Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) grant that would help fund a police officer for 3 years. The grant would help cover short falls in the police department budget.

## CITY TRAFFIC CODE:

### TRAFFIC CODE RESOLUTION

A resolution to adopt the same costs as the State of South Dakota for the city's traffic code violations.

Be it resolved that the following fines and court costs be established as follows:

City code section § 70.99 PENALTY.

- (A) (2) Careless driving court cost shall be \$54.00
- (3) (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) Speeding court cost shall be \$54.00
- (4) Court cost for exhibition driving shall be \$54.00; exhibition driving fine shall be \$50.00
- (5) Court cost for illegal U-turn shall be \$54.00
- (6) Court cost for traffic sign or signal violation shall be \$54.00

Motion was made by Council Member Mills to approve the resolution setting forth the above court costs and fines to match the current costs and fines as adopted by the State of South Dakota. All members voted aye.

## BUILDING PERMITS:

Klein's True Value submitted a building permit to place a 16' x 20' wooden storage shed along side their hardware building on Main Street. The shed would not be on a permanent foundation. The council approved the permit.

Rick Hogue submitted a building permit for an addition and deck to his house. The building would be 5' away, instead of the 8' required, from the adjacent house, but he had written permission approving the building permit from his neighbor. The council approved the permit.

## PUBLIC TRANSIT:

The council received a report from the public transit committee, consisting of Bob Fenenga, Marion Burgess, Lisa Nemer, Lyle Martin and Al Cerny. It is planned to have bus services by May 1, 2009 and the scheduled operation hours are as follows: Monday,

Tuesday & Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and Wednesday from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The council accepted the report.

**RIGHT OF WAY:**

The council agreed to allow the REC a right-of-way along the fence line west of the lagoon area for a new power line.

**REVENUE RECEIPTS:**

The council reviewed the receipts for March.

**CLAIMS:**

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

**GENERAL FUND:**

Appera, towels/coveralls/hand cleaner/mats.....	62.27
Arbor Day Foundation, membership dues .....	15.00
B & F Variety, binder/supplies .....	11.97
Frontier Motors Inc., check brakes on Dodge police car.....	51.75
Golden West, April phone service .....	872.17
Grabtec, cylinder.....	53.38
Gregory American Legion, city hall flag.....	20.00
Gregory Building Center, lumber/screws/rebar tire wire/drive pin...	124.32
Gregory County Hwy. Dept., road maintenance.....	37.50
Gregory Iron Works, pool & shop welding work.....	373.55
Gregory Public Library, supplies/books .....	2,523.67
Gregory Times Advocate, council publishing/lifeguard-manager ad	614.03
Grossenberg Implement Inc., grasshopper radiator repairs .....	35.00
H & J Sales Inc., sharpen chain saws/chains .....	72.00
Harrison Plumbing & Heating, flapper.....	3.89
Jim's Garbage Service, garbage pickup service .....	140.00
Klein's True Value, first aid kits/bulbs/wire connector/bumper pads vacuum bags/batteries/disinfectant/furnace filter/highlighters	261.77
McLeod's Printing & Office Supply, election supplies/ballot stamp	54.74
Office Products Center, ink roller/printer cartridges .....	26.49
Petty cash, postage reimbursement.....	8.20
Plains Printing Co., Ward II election ballots .....	30.00
Ponca Creek Creations, sew on police patches.....	30.00
Randall RC & D, 2009 membership dues.....	50.00
Rosebud Auto Parts, filters & bearing for grasshopper .....	68.90
Rosebud Electric Cooperative, Inc., electricity .....	3,523.03
Runnings Supply Inc., nuts & bolts/belts/propane/gloves/paint/brush Hinge/hardware/batteries/discharge hose/dairy boots .....	407.64
SDML Workers Compensation Fund, audited work comp .....	301.00
Shawn Claussen, steering wheel reimbursement/96' Caprice.....	53.00
South Dakota Asphalt Conference, registration fee/Pierre/M. Fortuna	115.00
The Health Pool of SD, April health insurance .....	2,136.50

Wm. Krotter Co., garage doorstop & weather strip/nut setter/pine boards evidence room supplies/auto goop glue.....	102.76
SDML, district meeting/Wagner.....	26.00
Total \$	12,205.53

3<sup>RD</sup> CENT SALES TAX:

Gregory Commercial Club, payment for fireworks.....	5,000.00
Gregory Times Advocate, Tour de Kota advertising.....	60.00
Oyate Trail, membership dues.....	100.00
Total \$	5,160.00

RD LOAN REPAYMENT REVENUE:

Rural Development, April loan payment.....	4,285.00
Total \$	4,285.00

WATER FUND:

Appearra, coveralls.....	13.80
Brad's Body Shop, window regulator.....	215.00
Department of Revenue, water-testing.....	37.00
Golden West, April phone service.....	81.54
Gregory Building Center, posthole digger rent.....	40.00
Harrison Plumbing & Heating, bushings/adapters/clamps/pipe/control box	163.45
HD Supply Waterworks Ltd., couplings/curb stop/inserts.....	285.05
Klein's True Value, batteries.....	26.98
One Call Systems Inc., locate tickets.....	6.30
Petty cash, postage reimbursement.....	.76
Rosebud Auto Parts, wiper blades.....	20.44
Rosebud Electric Cooperative, Inc., electricity.....	1,371.35
Runnings Supply Inc., heater/connectors/rope/fittings/clamps.....	62.32
The Health Pool of SD, April health insurance.....	854.60
Tripp County Water User District, water service.....	3,000.00
US Postal Service, water billing postage.....	185.76
Total \$	6,364.35

SEWER FUND:

Petty cash, postage reimbursement.....	5.20
Rosebud Electric Cooperative, Inc., electricity.....	59.98
Runnings Supply Inc., fittings.....	35.89
Total \$	101.07

Grand Total \$ 28,115.95

PAYROLL OVERTIME APPROVED:

Mark Fortuna, weekend water duty 3/21-22/09

Jack Wenger, 9 hrs overtime; weekend water duty 3/28-29/09

3-18-09 PAYROLL:

BankWest, withholdings .....	3,966.29
SDRS, retirement .....	1,722.48
Aflac, insurance .....	122.48
Office of Child Support Enforcement, child support payment .....	219.23
City of Gregory, extra cell phone charges .....	23.93
Mayor/Council .....	4,262.50
Finance Officer .....	1,635.20
Police Dept.....	5,590.75
Street Dept .....	3,252.24
Airport.....	232.14
Library .....	764.07
Water Dept.....	2,688.82
General Government Building .....	250.00

ADJOURN:

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

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Dan DeSmet, Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Al Cerny, Finance Officer