

Gregory City Council Meeting
January 22, 2013

The Gregory City Council met in regular session at the Gregory City Hall on Tuesday, January 22, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. The following members were present: Mayor Maurice Schlaht; Council Members, Tim Mills, Shana Flakus, Kevin Mikkelsen, and Blane Bartling. Absent were Council Members Chad Peck and Seymour Studenberg. Also present were Finance Officer Al Cerny, Public Works Supt. Mark Fortuna and News Reporter Colleen Flynn.

AGENDA:

Council Member Bartling moved to adopt the agenda as posted with the addition of the application for renewal lagoon discharge permit. All members voted aye.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by Council Member Mikkelsen to approve, as written, the regular minutes of January 7, 2013. All members voted aye.

DEPT. HEAD REPORTS:

Public Works Supt. Mark Fortuna gave a short report. He mentioned that he had talked to Vern Arens about the sewer line project. Michael Jacobsen and Jack Wenger will be going to the SD Water and Wastewater Association annual seminar in Rapid City, SD on Feb. 13-14, 2013.

Chief of Police Dwight Ellwanger had met with the school on safety issues. There is a drill being planned with law enforcement, ambulance, fire dept. and school officials.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Shana Flakus had attended a library board meeting and was involved with strategic planning for the library.

OLD BUSINESS:

The council reviewed the Barrett building permit for a new house. The permit did not need a variance. Motion was made by Council Member Mills to approve the Robert and Elizabeth Barrett building permit for a new house. All members voted aye.

DISTRICT III REPRESENTATIVE:

Shana Flakus was reappointed to the city's representative to District III.

RANDALL RC & D REPRESENTATIVE:

Al Cerny was reappointed as the city's representative to Randall RC & D.

ORDINANCE NO. 2013-01 (ANIMAL CONTROL):

The city council reviewed Ordinance No. 2013-01. The ordinance would change the license fee and other items. A lot of language was changed so it was agreed to table the first reading until the next meeting.

ORDINANCE NO. 2013-02 (FIREWORKS):

Ordinance No. 2013-02, an ordinance that would allow fireworks to be discharged on New Year's Eve day and night was placed on its first reading. Motion was made by Council Member Mikkelsen to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2013-02. All members voted aye.

ORDINANCE NO. 2013-03 (SETTING COUNCIL SALARY):

Ordinance No. 2013-03, an ordinance which would add \$25.00 per month to the Mayor and council pay was placed on its first reading. Motion was made by Council Member Mills to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2013-03. All members voted aye.

LAGOON DISCHARGE PERMIT:

The council discussed the lagoon discharge renewal permit application. Motion was made by Council Member Bartling to have the mayor sign the renewal application for discharge of the city's lagoon. All members voted aye.

AIRPORT WILDLIFE FENCE:

The council reviewed the change order which moved some engineering fees from one category to another on the airport wildlife fence project. They also reviewed the close out documents. Motion was made by Council Member Mills to approve the change order and close out of the airport wildlife fence project. All members voted aye.

6TH & LOGAN STREET PROJECT:

Motion was made Council Member Mikkelsen to approve the paperwork closing out the 6th & Logan Street project. All members voted aye.

POOL REPAIRS:

The council reviewed pool estimates to fix the back steps of the pool and estimates to paint and repair the cracks, place handicap lifts and starting blocks for the pool. Motion was made by Council Member Mikkelsen to accept the Divine Concrete quote of \$7,734.32 to replace the steps. All members voted aye.

CLAIMS:

Motion was made by Council Member Mills to pay the following claims as listed and to include the claim from Gregory County Register for \$60.00 and Gregory Lanes for \$1,007.77. All members voted aye.

GENERAL

Appera, utilities, \$49.57; Buche Foods, cleaning supplies, \$29.50; Gregory County Register of Deeds, filing fees, vacating right of way, \$60.00; Gregory Lanes, holiday party, \$907.77; Grossenburg Implement Inc., block heater for road grader, \$114.31; Opperman Inc., 7 hrs. hauling snow, \$700.00; Petty cash, car wash, postage reimbursement, \$ 15.46; Planning & Development District III, 2013 membership dues, \$2,084.00; Randall RC & D, 2013 dues, \$50.00; Rosebud Electric Cooperative Inc.,

electricity, \$3,980.64; Rosebud Farmers Union, gas, repair headlight, diesel fuel, \$1,793.49; SD Municipal League, legislative dinner & govt. day registration, \$50.00; Verizon Wireless, utilities, \$308.59 – Total \$10,143.33

WATER

Appera, utilities, \$7.11; Buche Foods, cleaning supplies, \$1.52; Gregory Lanes, holiday party, \$100.00; Mark Fortuna, lunch & dinner reimbursement (1/9/13, SDARWS), \$21.00; Rosebud Electric Cooperative Inc., electricity, \$1,453.22; Rosebud Farmers Union, gas, mount & balance tires, \$343.39; South Dakota One Call, locate tickets, \$48.30; Verizon Wireless, utilities, \$159.09 – Total \$2,133.63

SEWER

Rosebud Electric Cooperative Inc., electricity, \$82.97; Rosebud Farmers Union, UPS shipping, \$33.12; SD Dept. of Environment & Natural Resources, 2013 wastewater fee, \$1,500.00; Verizon Wireless, utilities, \$65.98 – Total \$1,682.07

AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS 2010

Helms & Associates, final engineering fees on airport wildlife fence, \$5,463.90 – **Total \$5,463.90**

GRAND TOTAL \$19,422.93

2013 EMPLOYEE SALARIES:

The wages for 2013 are as follows: Diane Althoff, \$10.60 per hour; Al Cerny, \$21.95 per hour; Shawn Claussen, \$13.26 per hour; Jennifer Keegan, \$15.23 per hour; Dwight Ellwanger, \$17.35 per hour; Mark Fortuna, \$20.53 per hour; Cecil Harsin, \$9.77 per hour; Emil Hlavka, \$9.77 per hour; Michael Jacobsen, \$16.81 per hour; Berle Johnson, \$400 per month; Steve McDowell, \$13.82 per hour; Marlene Rezac, \$322.09 per month; Machel Seeley, \$277.09 per month; Rae Tyburec, \$8.00 per hour; Danika Ulrich, \$8.22 per hour, and; Jack Wenger, \$16.81 per hour.

1-16-13 PAYROLL:

BankWest, federal withholding, \$1,117.45; BankWest, FICA, \$1,673.26; BankWest, Medicare, \$391.34; BankWest, FICA, \$29.08; BankWest, Medicare, \$6.80; SDRS, retirement, \$1,611.80; Aflac, employee deductions, \$158.26; Office of Child Support Enforcement, employee deduction, \$219.23; City of Gregory, employee deductions (cell phone), \$143.95; City of Gregory, employee deductions (water/sewer payment) \$50.00; Finance Officer, \$1,756.00; Police Dept., \$4,593.97; Street Dept., \$3,123.98; Library, \$1,063.67; Economic Development, \$200.00; Water Dept., \$2,885.29

ADJOURN:

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

ATTEST: _____
Al Cerny, Finance Officer

Maurice Schlaht, Mayor