

Gregory City Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
October 17, 2016

The Gregory City Council members met at the Gregory City Hall in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, October 17, 2016. Mayor Scott Anshutz opened the meeting by leading all those present with the Pledge of Allegiance. Members present were: Mayor Scott Anshutz; Council Members, Valerie Johnson, Jerry Kafka, Shana Flakus, Seymour Studenberg, Blane Bartling and Stacey Boes. Also present were News Reporter Colleen Flynn, Finance Officer Al Cerny and City Attorney George Johnson.

Agenda

Motion was made by Valerie Johnson to add the Rotary Proclamation for World Polio Day and the Gregory County Rubble site application for a discount to the posted agenda and to approve the agenda, seconded by Stacey Boes. All members voted aye.

Minutes

Motion was made by Seymour Studenberg to approve as written the October 3, 2016 council meeting minutes, seconded by Stacey Boes. All members voted aye.

Department Head Reports

Travis DeBuhr told the council that things were going well in the police department. It was mentioned that some of the council members had received a complaint about the police officers might be causing some people not to shop in Gregory, because they are enforcing the speed limits too strictly. The council decided that the police dept. should look into getting digital speed signs that could be posted along Highways 18 and 47, which would show the speed of the vehicle entering the city's speed limit zone. Hopefully this would slow traffic down. A quote for the signs will be brought back to the council for their consideration.

Committee Report

Al Cerny reported on the SDML convention that he had attended. The SDML held meetings for all the affiliate groups of the SDML. Al reported on the Finance Officers and Code Enforcement meetings as well as the general session held on how to give better city service to the citizens.

Public Forum

Norma Springer reported to the council that she had parked her car at the Methodist Church while 7th Street adjacent to the church was being seal coated. A few days later she discovered that her vehicle had oil spray on it. The city did notify the people at the church to move their vehicles but Norma arrived later and was not notified, and she also reported that there were no signs posted about the street being oiled. Two quotes for cleaning her vehicle were presented to the council. One was for \$639 and the other one was \$418. The council members agreed to turn her claim into the city's insurance company.

Jason Nebola asked the council to consider changing the way building permits are issued if the permit request does not need a variance and is pretty straightforward. He would like to see the process expedited in those situations.

Old Business

Hold Harmless Agreement/Tree Planting

The council discussed the hold harmless agreement in regards to the trees that were planted too close to the city street at 821 Felton. The original agreement that the council agreed to has not been signed yet. A different agreement, the city attorney had drafted, was looked at by the council. The agreement covered everything that the original one did, as noted by city attorney George Johnson. Motion was made by Stacey Boes to rescind the original hold harmless agreement that the city council had agreed to, seconded by Valerie Johnson. Roll call vote: Ayes 5, Nays, 0. Blane Bartling abstained.

Vehicles Towed to City Parking Lot

The city council along with City Attorney George Johnson discussed the next step to take in regards to the vehicles that were pulled to the city hall parking lot for violating the city code on abandoned vehicles. The owner of four of the vehicles has licensed his vehicles and he would be willing to pay the initial towing fee, but he wants the city to put the vehicles back on his property. Since he was out of the country when the notices went out, he stated that he did not get a timely notice to license the vehicles before the vehicles were removed. Motion was made by Valerie Johnson to give the owner until November 1, 2016 to put the license plates on the vehicles, pay the \$200 towing charge and remove them, or after November 1, 2016 the vehicles will be sold at a public auction, seconded by Jerry Kafka. All members voted aye. The owner will be notified of this decision by email and certified mail, and he would be able to buy the vehicles back on public auction if he desires to but if the vehicles remain in Gregory, they would have to comply with the city's code.

New Business

Building Permits

At this time, Scott Anshutz left the meeting and Shana Flakus took over running the meeting while Anshutz Company building permit for a new house with addition in Hill's Addition was discussed. The permit was approved by the Planning and Zoning members. Motion was made by Stacey Boes, seconded by Blane Bartling, to approve the Anshutz Company building permit. All members voted aye. Scott Anshutz rejoined the meeting.

The council also reviewed the following building permits: Nebola Construction, tear off and rebuild a larger deck for the Berean Church parsonage; Senior Village, gazebo and; Levi VanOverschelde, attached garage. All of the permits were approved by the planning members. Motion was made by Valerie Johnson to approve the three building permits with the recommended permit fee changes, seconded by Seymour Studenberg. All members voted aye.

Ordinances 2016-08 & 2016-09

Ordinances 2016-08 and 2016-09, which were incorrectly posted as Ordinances 2016-04 & 2016-05 on the agenda, were placed on their first reading. The two ordinances set out the procedures to follow to grant conditional zoning uses and changes from both the planning and zoning group and the city council. Motion was made by Valerie Johnson to approve the first reading of Ordinances 2016-08 and 2016-09, seconded by Seymour Studenberg. All members voted aye.

September Financial Report

Al Cerny gave the council the September financial report. Cerny also mentioned that he had a few airport fuel bills that have not been paid. (The airport's credit card fueling system was not working while the new system was put into place and the only way to sell fuel was to take cash or charge the fuel).

The city attorney will be contacted to write a letter and if that will not work, a collection company will be contacted for help.

Pheasants Forever One-Day Liquor License

The Gregory Pheasants Forever will be holding their banquet on October 29, 2016 at the Gregory Auditorium and they have requested a one-day liquor license. The Gregory Golf Club will be serving the liquor. Motion was made by Stacey Boes and seconded by Jerry Kafka to approve the one day liquor license for October 29, 2016. All members voted aye.

Rotary Proclamation

Motion was made by Blane Bartling and seconded by Valerie Johnson to have Mayor Scott Anshutz sign the rotary proclamation declaring Monday, October 24, 2016 as World Polio Day in Gregory. All members voted aye.

Gregory County Rubble Site

The council received an application for a reduced fee for the use of the Gregory County Rubble Site for use in dumping old structures. Residents of Gregory County can apply to the County for a reduced rate in using the County Landfill for the disposing of old structures in Gregory County.

Claims

Stacey Boes moved to approve the payment of the following claims, seconded by Valerie Johnson. All members voted aye.

Appeara	Towels/Hand Cleaner/Coveralls	38.22
Bartling Welding & Machine Inc.	Repairs to Excavator/Iron	332.14
Buche Foods	Vinegar	7.90
Cardmember Service	Security Cameras for Airport	456.85
Dakota Pump & Control Inc.	4 Wastewater Pumps	2,575.00
Diane Althoff	Mileage/SDLA Conference	296.68
Flexible Pipe Tool Company	Repairs to Sewer Camera/Circular Level	205.60
Golden West	Phone/Internet Service	1,020.47
Gregory Building Center	Wacker Packer Rental	35.00
Mark Jacobsen	Mower Belts/Parts	188.95
Hach Company	Fluoride/Chlorine Reagents	201.57
Hawkins Inc.	Chlorine Cylinder Charge	15.00
Jerry's Electric	City Hall Duct Work & Led Lighting/Control Station	2,511.18
Jim's Garbage Service	Garbage Pickup Service	260.00
Johnson Pochop & Bartling Law	Legal Services	830.75
Kristen Jacobsen	Mileage/SDLA Conference	296.68
KWYR Am	Website Advertising	55.00
Mc & R Pools Inc.	Winterize Pool	2,395.47
Michael Todd & Company	Gutter Brooms/Deflectors/Dirt Shoe Runners	918.57
Mr. Automotive	Filters/Oil/Voltmeter/Jumpstart Booster/Bulbs	694.64
Opperman Inc.	92.55 Ton Gravel Delivered/39.14 Ton Chips Trucking	1,959.71
Petty Cash	Car Wash Reimbursement	10.00
Rosebud Auto Parts	Socket Set/Filters/Screwdriver/Refrigerant/Fuses	206.40

Rosebud Farmers Union	Diesel Fuel/Gas/Oiler Truck Propane/Airport Tire	1,500.54
Runnings	Culvert/Nuts & Bolts/Trans-Hydraulic Fluid/Fittings	144.31
South Dakota One Call	Locate Tickets	19.95
Spencer Quarries Inc.	39.14 Ton Rock Chips	514.69
Vanderpol Dragline Inc.	#5 Final Payment/Airport Apron Exp Phase I/Fuel System	27,601.83
Verizon Wireless	Cellphone Charges	938.66
Wm Krotter Co	Lumber/Utility Blade	97.87
Gregory Co. Register of Deeds	Quit Claim Deed/Grandview to BID/Messerschmidt CFD	60.00
Margo Dunn	Water Deposit Refund	6.25
First State Bank	Water Deposit Refund	33.20
Elizabeth Jacobsen	Water Deposit Refund	39.76
James Van Nieuwenhuysen	Water Deposit Refund	17.00
Total		\$46,485.84

10-4-2016 Payroll: P \$ Z, \$75.00; Finance Officer, \$2,040.00; General Government Bldg., \$143.08; Police Dept., \$3,671.88; Street Dept., \$3,982.19; Water Dept., \$3,061.57; Sewer, \$512.79; Ambulance, \$9,861.31; Library, \$1,427.59; Total Gross Amt, \$24,775.41; Child Support, \$219.23; City of Gregory, \$56.75; EFTPS, \$6,059.44; Credit Collections Bureau, \$226.28

Adjourn

Motion was made by Blane Bartling and seconded by Valerie Johnson to adjourn. All members voted aye.

Scott Anshutz, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Al Cerny, Finance Officer