

City of Gregory
Regular Council Meeting
November 2, 2015

The Gregory City Council met in regular session at the Gregory City Hall on Monday, November 2, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. The following members were present: Mayor Maurice Schlaht; Council Members: Tim Mills, Jerry Kafka, Shana Flakus, Seymour Studenberg and Blane Bartling. Absent was Council Member Stacey Boes. Also present were Head Librarian Diane Althoff, News Reporter Colleen Flynn, Public Works Supt. Mark Fortuna, Water Supt. Alex Hamilton and Finance Officer Al Cerny.

Agenda

Motion was made by Blane Bartling to approve, as posted, the council meeting agenda for November 2, 2015. Motion was seconded by Tim Mills. All members voted aye.

Minutes

Motion was made by Seymour Studenberg to approve as written the council meeting minutes from the October 19, 2015 meeting, seconded by Tim Mills. All members voted aye.

Department Head Reports

Library: Diane Althoff presented the council with the library financial report for October 2015. She also reported on the recent activities at the library.

Street: Mark Fortuna reported that they had been breaking up some of the concrete at the lagoon area so it could be used as rip-rap material and he was also doing some weed spraying.

Water/Sewer: Alex Hamilton reported that he had been sewer jetting the sewer mains. He plans to go through all of the sewer mains in Gregory. The new water controls are in and everything is being close to being completed.

Old Business/Cell Phone Tower Lease Extension

The council reviewed the cell phone tower lease agreement that would extend the current lease for 40 years and give the cell tower company an exclusive use of the tower. In exchange the city would receive \$30,000 in one lump sum payment and also continue to get the monthly lease payments \$595.17 with the 15% increase in monthly payments every 5 years. Motion was made by Blane Bartling and seconded by Tim Mills to approve signing the cell phone tower lease agreement extension. All members voted aye.

Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA)

Finance Officer Al Cerny reported that he had read several IRS publications that dealt with the setting up of an HRA plan and also went online and found a sample plan of a HRA plan. The HRA plan is a way in which the City could reimburse an employee for health care premium costs if they were to join their spouse's group health care plan and chose not to be covered under the City's group health care plan. The council reviewed the HRA plan that had been put together by the finance officer. Motion was made by Seymour Studenberg to approve the HRA Plan, but to amend the amount to be reimbursed to \$600 per month, seconded by Tim Mills. All members voted aye.

New Business

Resolution/Gregory County Disaster Plan

Motion was made by Blane Bartling to approve the following resolution declaring the council's support for, and adoption of, the Gregory County Multi-Jurisdiction Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan. The motion was seconded by Seymour Studenberg. All members voted aye.

RESOLUTION

A resolution of the City Council of Gregory declaring its support for, and adoption of, the Gregory County Multi-Jurisdiction Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan.

WHEREAS a Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan for Gregory County (the Plan) has been developed; and

WHEREAS the City of Gregory participated in the development of the Plan; and

WHEREAS the Plan will be used as a disaster mitigation planning tool as deemed appropriate by the Gregory City Council.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Gregory City Council hereby adopts and supports the Plan, and will take action to ensure that the Plan is implemented.

Adopted and approved this 2nd day of November 2015.

SIGNED:

Mr. Maurice Schlaht, Mayor, City of Gregory

ATTEST:

Al Cerny, Municipal Finance Officer

Outdated City Check

The Finance Officer requested that the council approve voiding a check that was written on April 30, 2014, which makes the check more than 1 year old. Motion was made by Seymour Studenberg to void check # 33251 issued to Jessica Calhoon for \$16.95 because the check is over 1 year old, seconded by Tim Mills. All members voted aye.

Grandview Street Lights/Electrical Power

Mayor Maurice Schlaht, Mark Fortuna and Al Cerny recently met with Vic Warnke from the REC to discuss street lights and electrical underground power for the Grandview Addition. Vic presented the group with a plan that would bring in the underground electrical power and stub it off for future use when a particular lot would be sold and also add street lights to the Grandview area. The total estimated cost would run between \$18,000 and \$20,000. Motion was made by Blane Bartling to approve the Grandview Addition electrical power and street light proposal from REC, seconded by Tim Mills. All members voted aye.

Lease of Wear N' Wares Old Building

The council members had been asked by the BID group if the council would consider renting the old Wear N' Wares building once the building was vacant. At this time there is still some items left in the building so the council members did not inspect the old building. Motion was made by Tim Mills to end the lease with the Wear N' Wares on November 30, 2015, seconded by Blane Bartling. All members

voted aye. It was decided that the council will inspect the city owned building after November 30, 2015 and decide on leasing the building along with any terms at that time.

Claims

Motion was made by Jerry Kafka to pay the following claims, seconded by Shana Flakus. All members voted aye.

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| Appeara | Mops/Mats/Hand Cleaner/Towels/Coveralls | 59.73 |
| Avenet LLC | Renew Domain Name/5 Years | 220.00 |
| Dakota Pump & Control Inc | Inspect Lift Station Pumps | 760.00 |
| Department of Revenue | Water Testing Fees | 43.00 |
| Gregory School District | Auditorium Service Call/Light Bulbs | 51.02 |
| Harrison Plumbing & Heating | 2" Pipe/Cap/Straps | 196.65 |
| Health Pool of SD | Health Insurance | 4,934.16 |
| Jerry's Electric | Fix Light in Park | 54.90 |
| Johnson Implement Inc | Work on Rental Loader/Oil Change | 390.93 |
| Junior Library Guild | Annual Renewal Fee | 360.00 |
| Klein's True Value | Toilet Paper/Lysol/Towels/Batteries/Saw Blades/Bulbs | 305.47 |
| Michael Klarenbeek | Police/Security Camera Repairs | 207.00 |
| Northern Plains LLC | 4th Payment/Grandview Improvements | 311,904.71 |
| Office Products Center | Meeting Recorder/ Paper/Ink Roller/Service Contract | 277.55 |
| Over Drive | eBook/Audiobook License Renewal | 600.00 |
| Rosebud Electric Coop Inc | Electric Payment | 5,007.17 |
| Schmucker Paul Nohr & Assoc | Grandview Engineering/DOT Street Study | 18,556.80 |
| SD Retailers Association | Associate Membership 2016 | 150.00 |
| Tripp County Water User District | Monthly Water Service | 3,000.00 |
| Total | | \$347,079.09 |

10-20-2015 Payroll

Finance Officer, \$1,980.80; General Government Bldg., \$139.00; Police Dept., \$4,748.13; Street Dept., \$3,641.75; Water Dept., \$2,905.28; Sewer, \$341.06; Airport, \$450.00; Library, \$1,206.32; Economic Dev., \$200.00; Total Gross Amt, \$15,612.34; Aflac, \$297.06; SDRS, \$3,473.10; Child Support, \$219.23; City of Gregory, \$201.91; EFTPS, \$3,636.08

Adjourn

Motion was made by Tim Mills to adjourn, seconded by Shana Flakus. All members voted aye.

Maurice Schlaht, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Al Cerny, Finance Officer