

Gregory City Council  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
November 21, 2016

The Gregory City Council met in regular session at the Gregory City Hall on Monday, November 21, 2016 at the time of 7:00 p.m. The following members were present: Mayor Scott Anshutz; Council Members: Valerie Johnson, Jerry Kafka, Shana Flakus, Seymour Studenberg and Stacey Boes. Absent was Council Member Blane Bartling. Also present were News Reporter Colleen Flynn, Public Works Supt. Mark Fortuna and Finance Officer Al Cerny.

Agenda

Motion was made by Shana Flakus to add the following items to the agenda: Christmas party discussion; tree lighting; moving some upcoming council meeting dates; 9AA Football Gregory Champs resolution and to approve the agenda as posted. Motion seconded by Valerie Johnson. All members voted aye.

Minutes

Motion was made by Seymour Studenberg and seconded by Jerry Kafka to approve the November 7, 2016 council meeting minutes as written. All members voted aye.

Department Head Reports

Mark Fortuna reported on the last snow removal. The pump in the sewer jetter truck has been fixed and the truck is working ok. The crew will start sewer line cleaning again. The department will also be putting up Christmas lights and cutting some trees.

Officer Andrew Marshall gave the police dept. report. Officer Nick Myers will be leaving for state certification school this Sunday. The class is a 13-week class. Chief Travis DeBuhr is back from his National Guard training class.

Committee Reports

Stacey Boes asked if there was any emergency generator for the auditorium. When the new heating system for the auditorium was installed, the old generator would not work so there is no backup power for the auditorium. Mark Fortuna agreed to look into what the cost would be to get a backup generator for the auditorium.

Shana Flakus reported that three vehicles will be auctioned off on December 15. These are abandoned vehicles that the City has gone thru the notification letters. There is also another list of vehicles that the city is currently working on.

New Business

Building Permit/Rosebud Plaza

Sam Flakus, representing the planning and zoning committee, discussed the building permit for Rosebud Plaza. The P&Z members recommended approval of the building permit pending the payment of the \$372.50 permit fee. Motion was made by Valerie Johnson to approve the Rosebud plaza building permit upon payment of the \$372.50 permit fee, seconded by Seymour Studenberg. All members voted aye.

One-Day Liquor License

Motion was made by Stacey Boes to grant Wade Juracek (Big Ass Liquor) a one-day liquor license for use at the Gregory auditorium on November 26, 2016 to serve liquor samples during the Mid-Winter Fair, seconded by Jerry Kafka. All members voted aye.

#### Liquor/Wine License Renewals

Motion was made by Stacey Boes to renew the following liquor and wine licenses: Dollar General (on-off sale wine); Shear Creations (on-off sale wine); Buche Foods (off-sale); Big Ass Liquor (off-sale); Gregory Lanes (on-sale); Mary Bob's Bar (on-sale) and; Homesteader (on-sale). Motion seconded by Valerie Johnson. All members voted aye.

#### Revolving Loan Request

Doug Pochop presented the council with a revolving loan fund request from South Central Livestock for \$15,000. The company plans to have 3 employees in the next few years and has set up operations in the airport industrial park area. The BID members have approved the loan request and the financial background check had come back favorable. Motion was made by Seymour Studenberg to approve the loan request for \$15,000 to South Central Livestock, seconded by Stacey Boes. All members voted aye.

#### Supplement Budget Ordinance 2016-10

Ordinance No. 2016-10, an ordinance to supplement the 2016 city budget, was placed on its first reading. The supplement budget would add budget amounts to several general fund departments and also increase the 3<sup>rd</sup> cent sales tax budget. Motion was made by Seymour Studenberg to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2016-10, seconded by Shana Flakus. All members voted aye.

#### Felton Sewer Line Funding

The council reviewed a few funding options for the replacement of two blocks of sewer main on Felton Avenue between 4<sup>th</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Streets. The sewer main and street would be replaced. The estimated cost is \$340,000. Rural Development has a new interest rate of 1.87% but old RD loans can't be re-financed. The state has a 2% rate on their SRF loans and if a surcharge is used to pay for the loan, the loan doesn't affect the city's debt limit so it was agreed to apply for SRF funding.

#### Council Meeting Dates

The council discussed some of the upcoming council meeting dates and the conflicts with school concerts and holidays. The council agreed to the following changes for council meetings: Tuesday, December 6 start at 6:00 p.m., so that employee evaluations can be done before the regular meeting starts at 7:00 p.m.; Tuesday, December 20, 2016 start at 6:00 p.m.; Tuesday, January 3, 2017 and Tuesday, January 17, 2017.

#### City Council/Employee Holiday Party

The council agreed to have assistant finance officer, Jennifer Keegan line up a time for the city council members and employees to hold their annual holiday party.

#### Open House/Tree Lighting

Mayor Anshutz informed the council that BID/Chamber group are planning an open house for the building adjacent to BankWest building that has been re-modeled and the City owned building that Wear n' Wares once occupied. The open house would start at 5:00 p.m. and then at 7:15 p.m. the tree lighting would take place. This is happening on December 8, 2016.

#### 9AA Football Championship Resolution

Mayor Anshutz signed a resolution honoring the Gregory football team, coaches and everyone involved with the team for their 9AA State football championship that they recently won.

Claims

Motion was made by Seymour Studenberg to approve payment of the following claims, seconded by Jerry Kafka. All members voted aye.

Alex Hamilton	Meal Reimb/Trip To MN-Sewer Jetter Repair	75.00
Appera	Mats/Dust Mop/Towels/Hand Cleaner/Coveralls	61.75
Avenet LLC	Upgrades to City's Website	1,000.00
Avera Occupational Medicine	Drug Testing	108.90
Bartling Welding & Machine Inc.	3/4" Cold Rolled Shaft/Labor	81.58
Buche Foods	Cleaning Supplies	30.01
Coast To Coast Solutions	Wall Calendars	139.64
Galls Llc	Body Armor/Armor Shirt Carrier	734.98
Gregory Building Center	Concrete Sealant	137.94
Gregory County Highway Dept.	Culverts/Road Maintenance	370.30
Gregory Golf & Recreation	Subsidy to Golf Course	10,000.00
Hawkins Inc.	Chlorine Cylinder Charge	15.00
McLeod's Printing & Office Sup	2016 Tax Forms	98.14
Office Products Center	3 Toner Cartridges/Paper/Envelopes	424.46
Old Pioneer Tool Pawn & Gun	Mini Fridge/Blazer Supplies	49.98
Petty Cash	Postage Reimbursement/Car Wash	36.63
Rosebud Concrete Inc.	1 Cu Yd Concrete/Reset Light Pole	123.00
Rosebud Farmers Union	Gas/Diesel Fuel/Hydraulic Fluid/Tire Repair/Oil Change	1,655.45
South Central Livestock Supply	Revolving Loan	15,000.00
Verizon Wireless	Cell Phone Charges	497.61
Wm Krotter Co	Caulk Gun/Pliers/Supplies	53.48
Yankton Fire & Safety Co Inc.	Fire Extinguisher Inspection	366.00
Total		\$31,059.85

11-1-2016 Payroll: Finance Officer, \$2,040.00; General Government Bldg., \$143.08; Police Dept., \$4,093.13; Street Dept., \$3,791.85; Water Dept., \$3,046.95; Sewer, \$494.58; Ambulance, \$9,000.90; Library, \$1,131.92; Total Gross Amt, \$23,742.41; Child Support, \$219.23; City of Gregory, \$49.00; EFTPS, \$5,835.02; Credit Collections Bureau, \$249.74

11-15-2016 Payroll: Finance Officer, \$2,040.00; General Government Bldg., \$143.08; Police Dept., \$3,641.00; Street Dept., \$3,847.14; Water Dept., \$2,641.87; Sewer, \$366.21; Library, \$1,138.58; Total Gross Amt, \$13,817.88; Child Support, \$219.23; EFTPS, \$3,331.77; Credit Collections Bureau, \$254.89

Adjourn

Motion was made by Valerie Johnson to adjourn, seconded by Shana Flakus. All members voted aye.

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Scott Anshutz, Mayor

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