

Gregory City Council
Regular Meeting
November 4, 2014

The Gregory City Council met in regular session at the Gregory City Hall on Tuesday, November 4, 2014 at the time of 7:00 pm. The following members were present: Mayor Maurice Schlaht; Council Members: Tim Mills, Chad Peck, Shana Flakus and Stacey Boes. Council Members absent were Seymour Studenberg and Blane Bartling. Also present were News Reporter Colleen Flynn, Public Works Supt. Mark Fortuna and Finance Officer Al Cerny.

Agenda

Motion was made by Tim Mills to add an executive session to the agenda to discuss answering some questions about a lawsuit being served against the City and to approve the other agenda items as posted. All members voted aye.

Minutes

Motion was made by Stacey Boes to approve as written the regular council minutes of October 20, 2014 as written. All members voted aye.

Department Head Reports

Police Chief Steve McDowell handed out the report on police activities for the month of October. He also reported that Chris Reinartz is doing well at the police officer certification class and if all goes as expected, Chris will graduate on November 14, 2014.

Public Works Supt. Mark Fortuna reported that the city crew had been sewer jetting the mains and they are just about done. Alex Hamilton is taking a basic water treatment class in Brookings this week and if all goes well he will be able to complete his certification in December at another training class in Sioux Falls.

Committee Reports

The nuisance committee had their planned meeting cancelled but they are planning on meeting in the future. In the meantime a few letters have been set out in regards to nuisance issues and more are expected to follow.

New Business

Ordinance 2014-07

The first reading of Ordinance 2014-07, an ordinance supplementing the 2014 budget ordinance was placed on its first reading. Motion was made by Chad Peck to approve of the first reading of Ordinance 2014-07. All members voted aye.

Building Permits

Rosebud Farmers Union submitted two building permits for consideration. One was for a 60' by 60' addition to the soil center. The second one was for a block wall that would be 4' high and 130' long that would run on the east side of Rosebud Farmers Union's main office building. Neither permit required a variance and both permits were approved by the planning and zoning members. Motion was made by

Tim Mills to approve both the Rosebud Farmers Union building permits as submitted. All members voted aye.

Weir quotes

The City received two quotes to build a weir device to measure the inflow into the city's lagoon system. Bartling Welding quoted \$1,688.09 and Maxwell LLC quoted \$1,961.00. Motion was made by Chad Peck to accept the low quote from Bartling Welding for \$1,688.09. All members voted aye.

Archeology Surveys

The council received three archeology quotes to do a study of the Grandview Addition land as this is a condition of Rural Development before any funding application could be made. Archeological Laboratory quoted \$2,850; Dakota Research Services quoted \$1,230 and Prairie lakes quoted \$2,155. Motion was made by Chad Peck to accept the low quote from Dakota Research Services for \$1,230 for the archeological survey. All members voted aye.

Addendum to City Policy Handbook

An addendum to the City Handbook was presented to the council for their consideration. When the city policy handbook was updated, using examples for the SDML, it was discovered that the policy on the use of city equipment was left out. The addendum clarifies the use of city equipment. Employees will be able to use some city tools, under certain conditions but employees will not be able to use any city equipment that is motorized. Motion was made by Tim Mills to approve adding the addendum to the City Policy Handbook. All members voted aye.

Bid Loan

The council considered a request from Gregory Lanes for a \$10,000 low interest revolving loan from the city's loan fund for businesses. The Gregory BID group had approved the loan with the condition that all proper loan application and information was given. Motion was made by Chad Peck to approve the \$10,000 low interest loan to the Gregory Lanes under the terms and conditions that were used in all loans made from the loan fund. All members vote aye.

Claims

Motion was made by Chad Peck to approve the following claims as presented to the council. All members voted aye.

Al Cerny	Reimb/Filing Fees Lot B to Bid	30.00
Appera	Towels/Hand Cleaner/Mats/Dust Mop/Coveralls	51.97
Dakota Pump Inc	Work on Well Controls	528.06
Department of Revenue	Water/Wastewater Testing	126.00
Galls LLC	2 L/S Uniform Shirts	64.93
Gregory Lanes	Revolving Loan	10,000.00
Gregory Times-Advocate	Council Publishing	312.13
Health Pool of SD	Health Insurance	4,956.32
Klein's True Value	Batteries/Light Bulbs	23.28
Office Products Center	Service Contract for Copier	35.00
Petty Cash	Postage Reimbursement	5.37
Potomac Aviation Technology Co	Airport Anemometer	301.83

Rosebud Electric Coop Inc	Electric Payment	4,946.18
Running's Supply Inc	Fittings/Batteries/Grease/Tape/Sealer	137.18
Tripp County Water User Dist	Monthly Water Service	3,000.00
Wm Krotter Co	Concrete Mix	36.72
Total		\$24,554.97

10-21-2014 Payroll:

Finance Officer, \$1,840.00; Police Dept., \$5,961.63; Street Dept., \$3,532.16; Water Dept., \$2,694.10; Sewer, \$324.00; Airport, \$333.13; Library, \$1,170.50; Economic Dev., \$200.00; Total Gross Amt, \$16,055.52; Aflac, \$297.06; SDRS, \$3,871.68; Child Support, \$219.23; City of Gregory, \$55.99; EFTPS, \$3,812.70

Executive Session

Motion was made by Tim Mills to go into to executive session to discuss a legal matter involving a lawsuit against the city. All members voted aye. The council went into executive session at 7:24 p.m. At 7:28 p.m., Mayor Schlaht took the council out of executive session. The council members agreed not to pursue or agree to any proposed settlement offers in the law suit.

Adjourn

Motion was made by Chad Peck to adjourn. All members voted aye.

Maurice Schlaht, Mayor

ATTEST:

Al Cerny, Finance Officer