

Gregory City Council Meeting
June 18, 2012

The Gregory City Council met in regular session at the Gregory City Hall on Monday, June 18, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. The following members were present: Mayor Maurice Schlaht; Council Members Shana Flakus, Chad Peck, Kevin Mikkelsen, Seymour Studenberg and Blane Bartling. Absent was Council Member Tim Mills. Others present were Finance Officer Al Cerny, Public Works Supt. Mark Fortuna, and News Reporter Colleen Flynn.

AGENDA:

Two items were added to the agenda: 1) building permit for a house addition (Anthony Timanus) 2) executive session to discuss personnel. Motion was made by Council Member Mikkelsen to approve the agenda as posted with the two additions. All members voted aye.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by Council Member Bartling to approve the minutes of June 4, 2012 as written. All members voted aye.

PUBLIC FORUM/VISITORS:

RON KYBURZ/BID GROUP:

Ron Kyburz met with the city council to discuss the use of an old grant that the city got when the cap factory located to Gregory. The amount is \$25,000. Kyburz would like this money available for use in the city's revolving loan fund. Motion was made by Council Member Mikkelsen to use the \$25,000 in the city's revolving loan fund. All members voted aye. The second issue for discussion was the use of Lot 10 of the airport industrial park. The lot is currently leased to Opperman Inc. and Larry Shavlik. Kyburz would like part of the lot to be available, if needed. The current lease runs year to year and the Lessee would have to be notified by the end of June to make any changes in the lease. The council agreed to give notice that parts of the lease may be re-written.

ANNA BOHNET/DOG COMPLAINTS:

Anna Bohnet met with the council to voice her concerns over dogs that are still running loose in the city limits.

DEPT. HEAD REPORTS:

Public Works Supt. Mark Fortuna reported that the street department was working on a section of a street in Duling Addition. The water improvement project work is moving along and the booster station should be completed by July 1, 2012. Also, the water line replacement has begun. The contractor has started work on the brick replacement at the auditorium.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Council Member Flakus attended the last library board meeting and reported that the library board has picked out the new carpet for the library.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Brumbaugh lots have been cleaned up with the help of a private contractor and the city's trucks. The sewer and water lines have been plugged and shut off. It was agreed that Eugene Brumbaugh would be billed what the contractor's charges the city, in addition to \$20.00 per truck load for the use of the city's trucks.

NEW BUSINESS:

ELEVATOR CLEANUP:

Gregory Farmer's Elevator has finished the cleanup of a molasses spill that had been causing an odor problem in the surrounding area.

MARY BOB'S BAR SPIKING PERMIT:

Motion was made by Council Member Bartling to grant Mary Bob's Bar a spiking permit for the use of 7th Street adjacent to her bar for July 2, 3 & 4, 2012. All members voted aye.

EAST HAY FIELD BIDS:

The following bids were received and opened for the haying of the city's east well field: Aaron Hogrefe, \$1,127; Nick Reber, \$1,923; Ken Taylor, \$2,025; Gary York, \$1,675, and; Britt & Dale Pastian, \$1,860. Motion was made by Council Member Flakus to accept Ken Taylor's high bid of \$2,025. All members voted aye.

TAX ABATEMENT:

The city received a request from Gregory County to abate the city taxes on a lot that the county had taken by tax deed. The property is described as Lots 7 & 8 of Block 37. Motion was made by Council Member Mikkelsen to abate the city taxes on Lots 7 & 8 of Block 37 to Gregory County. All members voted aye.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The financial report for May 2012 was given to the council. Sales tax revenue was down from last year but the difference is getting smaller.

BUILDING PERMIT:

The council received a request from Anthony & Karen Timanus to build an addition to their house at 609 Logan Avenue. They did not need a variance. Motion was made by Council Member Peck to approve the Timanus building permit. All members voted aye.

CLAIMS:

Motion was made by Council Member Peck to approve payment of the claims as presented. All members voted aye.

GENERAL FUND:

Al Cerny, mileage & meal reimbursement/Huron-HR/Finance Officer School	193.00
American Red Cross Health & Safety Services, lifeguarding fees	580.00
Appeara, towels/coveralls/hand cleaner/mats/dust mop	49.57
B & F Variety, flower arrangements for buttes/pool stencils & poster board	152.31

Best Western of Huron, lodging/Al Cerny-HR/Finance Officer School.....	189.00
BG's Electronic Service, wire for security cameras.....	54.54
Buche Foods, cleaning supplies/first aid supplies/cat food	65.91
Danko Emergency Equipment Co., time switch for city hall siren.....	482.53
Department of Revenue, blood alcohol testing	35.00
First National Bank, sales tax bond issue/initial fee & escrow agent fee.	800.00
Galls Inc., police dept ball caps	178.69
Gregory Building Center, paint/rollers	42.75
Grossenberg Implement Inc., truck part.....	28.56
H & J Sales, grasshopper battery/knives/bushings/oil	530.75
Jerry's Electric, repair outlet for pool fridge.....	104.42
M & J Auto Inc., cell phone battery (Shawn Claussen)	49.99
Office Products Center, file folders/labels/clips.....	35.87
Petty cash, postage reimbursement/car wash.....	8.80
Plains Printing Co., city letterhead.....	69.46
RDJ Specialties Inc., police dept nylon frisbees	421.20
Recreation Supply Company, swim team pull floats	27.60
Rosebud Auto Parts, rock chipper repair parts/truck parts/brake cleaner power steering hose/air cleaner/filters brake master cylinder/battery	1,134.73
Rosebud Electric Cooperative, Inc., electricity	2,864.37
Santa Claude's Tree Service, tree removal/trimming (Gould & Slade)	800.00
US Postal Service, annual PO Box fee	110.00
Verizon Wireless, June 2012 cell phone service	261.59
Wm. Krotter Co., plywood/grid marker/lumber/fasteners/paint/rollers/brushes	425.33

Total \$ 9,695.97

WATER IMPROVEMENTS 2011:

Schmucker, Paul, Nohr & Assoc., engineering fees booster station/water distribution	3,953.65
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Total \$ 3,953.65

WATER FUND:

Ace's Backhoe Service, repair water leak at 713 Rice	499.90
Appera, coveralls.....	7.11
Buche Foods, distilled water	1.52
Department of Revenue, water testing	11.00
First National Bank, SRF loan payment.....	4,127.57
Gregory Building Center, screws/drill bit/concrete mix/paint for fire hydrants	177.52
McLeod's Printing & Office Supply, laser water bills	998.77
Rosebud Auto Parts, brush	6.36
Rosebud Electric Cooperative, Inc., electricity	1,018.29
Verizon Wireless, June 2012 cell phone service	158.37

Total \$ 7,006.41

SEWER FUND:

Rosebud Electric Cooperative, Inc., electricity	57.20
Verizon Wireless, June 2012 cell phone service	65.00
Total \$	122.20
Grand Total \$	20,778.23

6-6-12 PAYROLL:

BankWest, withholdings	4,025.67
SDRS, retirement.....	1,609.08
Aflac, insurance.....	158.26
Office of Child Support Enforcement, child support payment	219.23
City of Gregory, water/sewer payments	50.00
City of Gregory, extra cell phone payments	69.99
Finance Officer	1,728.00
Police Dept	4,670.97
Street Dept.....	3,549.90
Pool	3,893.14
Park	1,920.63
Library	1,109.82
Water Dept.....	2,507.20
General Government Building	275.00
Economic Development.....	200.00

AMBULANCE PAYROLL May 2012:

BankWest, withholdings	743.96
Ambulance	2,984.25

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion was made by Council Member Studenberg to go into executive session to discuss city employee job performance. All members voted aye. The council went into executive session at 8:35 p.m. At 8:48 p.m., Mayor Schlaht took the council out of executive session. No action was taken.

ADJOURN:

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

ATTEST: _____
Al Cerny, Finance Officer

Maurice Schlaht, Mayor