

Gregory City Council
Regular Meeting
July 15, 2013

The Gregory City Council met in regular session at the Gregory City Hall on Monday, July 15, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. The following members were present: Mayor Maurice Schlaht; Council Members: Tim Mills, Chad Peck, Blane Bartling and Seymour Studenberg. Council Members absent were Stacey Boes and Shana Flakus. Also present were Finance Officer Al Cerny, Head Librarian Diane Althoff and News Reporter Colleen Flynn.

Agenda Additions/Corrections & Approval

Doug Pochop was added to public forum and construction site cleanup was added to new business. Motion was made by Tim Mills to adopt the agenda as posted with the two new additions. All members voted aye.

Minutes of July 15, 2013

Motion was made by Chad Peck to approve the council meeting minutes of July 1, 2013 as written. All members voted aye.

Public Forum

Fire Dept. Member Brad Christensen gave an update on the city's outdoor warning sirens. The siren by the school had a controller go out, so the controller from the city hall siren was used to replace it. (The city hall siren will work but can't be set off automatically). The city hall siren is old and parts are almost impossible to find for it. If the city would want this siren to be able to be set off by remote, then the siren would have to be replaced. The cost to replace the siren would be between \$12,000 and \$20,000. The council decided to leave things as they are for the time being.

Land Purchase

Doug Pochop gave the council an update on the land acreage south of the school and running to the roadside park. It looks like the total acres will be 65.35 instead of 53 acres. After some discussion, it was agreed that city could continue to pursue buying the 53 acres and have a "right of first refusal" on the remaining 12.35 acres. No further action was taken at this time.

Department Head Reports

Dennis Hazen from the police department gave a short update on some police business.

Old Business/Park Slide

Al Cerny reported that the insurance claim had been received by the insurance company on the park slide being vandalized. No results have been received yet.

New Business

Building Permit

Herman Rolf submitted a building permit to the council for a 12'x16' shed that did not require a variance. The council agreed to approve the building permit.

Airport Hangar Rent

The airport hangar rent for overnight planes was reviewed. The city currently charges \$100 a night and \$200 a night during the hunting season. It was agreed to reduce the rate for smaller planes to \$30 a night and \$60 a night during hunting season. The rate would remain the same (\$100 and \$200 during

hunting season) for larger planes. The changes will be made in the contracts and the council can formally approve at the next meeting.

Finance Report

Al Cerny gave a six month (June) revenue and expense report. The city is converting to a new software company and the conversion has just started so a complete report was not ready yet. Sales tax receipts are running slightly ahead of last year at this time. The council also discussed assessments and cleanup costs associated with cleaning and mowing certain areas. The Brumbaugh lot (old locker) area was discussed. The cleanup costs will be assessed, but it was also decided that the city should put a lien against the property until the costs are paid for the cleanup.

Construction Site Cleanup

Mayor Maurice Schlaht would like to see the new construction sites around the city cleaned up better while the project is ongoing. It was agreed that the homeowner should receive a notice from the city asking the homeowner to insure that the construction area is better cleaned up.

Claims

Motion was made by Tim Mills to pay the claims as presented. All members voted aye.

Allen's Repair, oil change, \$59.40; Appeara, coveralls, towels, and cleaner, \$58.61; Associated Supply Company, pool paint & sealer, \$653.59; B & F Variety, batteries, \$25.26; Barco Municipal Products, handicap/no parking signs, \$115.73; Bartling Welding & Machine, pool work, \$28.32; Buche Foods, pool confections, \$834.60; Department of Revenue, pool sales tax, \$303.91; Dockendorf Equipment Co., airport fuel pump parts, \$733.83; Fortuna, Mark, meal reimb/tank cert. 6/11/13, \$9.00; Golden West, phone service, \$1,018.46; Gregory Animal Clinic PC, animal control, \$70.00; Gregory Building Center, paint, caulking, \$1,247.97; Community Sunshine Club, planting flowers, beautification, \$800.00; Gregory County Hwy Dept., road maintenance, \$21.25; H & J Sales, repairs, weed eater knives, \$669.75; Hawkins Inc., chlorine, caustic soda, \$3,934.50; J & K Septic and Waste, 4th of July porta pots, \$2,850.00; Jerry's Electric, pool repairs, \$202.30; Jim's Garbage Service, garbage pickup service, \$260.00; Kucera Electric Inc., airport hangar labor, \$155.10; Mulehead Gravel, gravel, \$1,531.80; Office Products Center, toner, paper, \$320.98; Old Pioneer Tool Pawn & Gun, police ammunition, \$149.95; Opperman Inc., 42.84 ton gravel, \$749.70; Petty cash, reimbursement, \$24.86; Rosebud Auto Parts, power washer, parts, filters, supplies, \$922.48; Rosebud Farmers Union, gas, diesel, propane, oil change, \$5,499.59; SD Department of Environment & Natural Resources, drinking water fee, \$650.00; SD Dept of Safety, test airport fuel pumps, \$28.00; SD One Call, locate tickets, \$60.90; Verizon Wireless, cell phone service, \$469.92; Wm. Krotter Co., concrete patch, \$441.83; Total - \$24,901.59

7-2-13 Payroll:

BankWest, federal withholding, \$1,494.31; BankWest, FICA, \$2,580.00; BankWest, Medicare, \$603.40; SDRS, retirement, \$1,668.58; Aflac, employee deductions, \$226.96; Office of Child Support Enforcement, employee deduction, \$219.23; City of Gregory, employee deductions (water/sewer), \$55.00; Finance Officer, General Government Bldg, \$277.09; \$1,756.00; Police Dept., \$4,615.66; Street Dept., \$3,889.04; Pool, \$4,261.21; Park, \$2,274.69; Library, \$1,098.22; Economic Development, \$200.00; Water Dept., \$2,563.20; BankWest, federal withholding, \$456.52; BankWest, FICA, \$445.72; BankWest, Medicare, \$104.28; Ambulance, \$3,594.50

Adjourn

Motion was made by Blane Bartling to adjourn. All members voted aye. Council adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Maurice Schlaht, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Al Cerny, Finance Officer