

Gregory City Council Meeting  
August 20, 2012

The Gregory City Council met in regular session at the Gregory City Hall on Monday, August 20, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. The following members were present: Mayor Maurice Schlaht; Council Members, Chad Peck, Seymour Studenberg, Shana Flakus and Blane Bartling. Absent were Council Members Tim Mills and Kevin Mikkelsen. Others present were Public Works Supt. Mark Fortuna, Finance Officer Al Cerny, Librarian Diane Althoff and News Reporter Colleen Flynn.

AGENDA:

Motion was made by Council Member Bartling to approve the agenda as posted. All members voted aye.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by Council Member Mills to approve, as written, the special minutes of August 2, 2012 the regular minutes of August 6, 2012. All members voted aye.

DEPT. HEAD REPORT:

Librarian Diane Althoff presented the council with a list of items that the library board would like to surplus. Motion was made by Council Member Flakus to declare the following items as surplus with a value of \$0 to \$100.00: 2-drawer catalog file; microfilm reader, upholstered chair; blue desk chair; circulation desk; 6-drawer desk; 1-drawer desk/table; green double bookcase; portable screen; and slide projector. All members voted aye.

Public Works Supt. Mark Fortuna reported that Burke and Gregory were working together to chip seal their city streets. The Burke streets were done Monday and they were to going to do Gregory's streets on Wednesday.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Shana Flakus attended the last library board meeting and commented that the library was making good progress.

There are some cracks on the airport apron area that should be taken care of.

OLD BUSINESS:

CLARK AUDISS/BUILDING PERMIT:

At this time, Clark Audiss had not brought in any permission from his neighbors in regard to building a storage unit in their neighborhood. Motion was made by Council Member Studenburg to deny Clark Audiss a building permit for a storage unit facility. All members voted aye.

NEW BUSINESS:

PARK ELECTRICAL OUTLETS:

Brad Christensen met with the council to discuss adding a 200 amp electrical box in the east picnic shelter that would add 10 new outlets on a permanent basis and bring

the total available for use to 15 outlets. The estimated cost would be \$2,500.00 Motion was made by Council Member Peck to do the work on the electrical system in the park to add 10 more outlets at an approximate cost of \$2,500.00. All members voted aye.

#### AIRPORT/OPPERMAN SHAVLIK LEASE:

The city council reviewed the airport land lease renewal with Harlan Opperman Larry Shavlik. Ron Kyburz and Dr. Jerry Fogel from the Gregory BID group were also present. Kyburz talked to the council about the need for a five acre parcel of land for development. He would like to make available the lot that Opperman and Shavlik now lease for a site that potential companies could use for development. Opperman reported that they would like to keep the land, because they use it in their business activities and they have leased it for quite a few years. They also have a big impact on the city's economy. Motion was made by Council Member Flakus to renew the lease to Opperman and Shavlik for 5 years, and after two years the lease amount could be reviewed. All members voted aye.

#### LOAD LIMITS:

During the lease discussion, Opperman mentioned that some of the land around Gregory could be better used for construction or development purposes, if the county would not post load limits for a two mile radius around Gregory. It was agreed that the city would put together a committee to approach the county about the load limits.

#### BUDGET:

The proposed 2013 Budget worksheets and notes were given to the council. The budget is balanced as presented. The budget ordinance will have its first reading during the first meeting in September.

#### COUNCIL MEETING DATE CHANGE:

Motion was made by Council Member Peck to change the next council meeting to Tuesday, September 4, 2012, due to the Labor Day Holiday. All members voted aye.

#### VOSIKA BUILDING PERMIT:

The council reviewed and approved a building permit by Cody Vosika for a garage and 2<sup>nd</sup> floor living area. No variance was needed.

#### CLAIMS:

Motion was made by Council Member Peck to pay the following claims. All members voted aye.

##### **General**

Appeara, utilities, \$73.96; Buche Foods, pool confections, supplies, \$952.67; Divine Concrete, Inc., BB court concrete, \$102.00; Galls LLC, supplies, \$9.23; George Brooks, reimb. for shed repairs, \$39.28; Gregory School District, ½ cost gym re-finish, \$1,530.84; H & J Sales, equip. & supplies, \$446.00; Hawkins, Inc., pool supplies, \$1,525.50; Intoximeters, police supplies, \$70.00; Jana Winters, swimming lesson fees, \$1,066.00; Johnson Pochop Law Office, prof. fees, \$1,560.12; Kevin Rayman, stump removal, \$50.00; Office Products Center, repair & maint. \$35.67; Petty cash, postage, \$4.60;

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Rosebud Electric Cooperative, Inc., electricity, \$3,463.95; Rosebud Farmers Union, gas, diesel fuel, repair & maint., \$2,842.70; US Postal Service, stamps, \$45.00; Verizon Wireless, utilities, \$278.21 – Total, \$14,095.73

**Water**

Ace’s Backhoe Service, repairs, \$510.19; Appera, utilities, \$15.47; Petty cash, postage, \$9.50; Rosebud Electric Cooperative, Inc., electricity, \$2,346.84; Rosebud Farmers Union, gas, \$276.86; Spann Construction, backhoe rent, \$350.00; Verizon Wireless, utilities, \$159.08 – Total, \$3,667.94

**Sewer**

Rosebud Electric Cooperative, Inc., electricity, \$47.75; Rosebud Farmers Union, gas, \$55.37; Verizon Wireless, utilities, \$65.82 – Total, \$168.94

**Building Deposit**

Lana Hannahs BullBear, refund, \$25.00; William Saathoff, refund, \$15.00 – Total, \$40.00

Grand Total - \$17,972.61

**PAYROLL OVERTIME APPROVED:**

Mark Fortuna, weekend water duty 8/11-12/12

**8-15-12 PAYROLL:**

BankWest, federal withholding, \$1,348.06; BankWest, FICA , \$1,922.12; BankWest, Medicare, \$536.04; SDRS, retirement, \$1,582.40; Aflac, employee deductions, \$158.26; Office of Child Support Enforcement, employee deduction, \$219.23; City of Gregory, employee deductions, \$56.88; Finance Officer, \$1,728.00; Police Dept. , \$4,582.49; Street Dept., \$3,414.77; Pool, \$3,906.68; Park, \$642.25; Library, \$1,269.10; Economic Development, \$200.00; Water Dept., \$2,867.20

**ADJOURN:**

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

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

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Maurice Schlaht, Mayor