

Gregory City Council  
Regular Minutes  
September 2, 2014

The Gregory City Council met in regular session at 7:00 pm on Tues., September 2, 2014 at the Gregory City Hall. Members present were: Mayor Maurice Schlaht; Council Members: Tim Mills, Chad Peck, Shana Flakus, Seymour Studenberg, Blane Bartling and Stacey Boes. Also present were Public Works Superintendent Mark Fortuna, Planning/Zoning Chairperson Scott Anshutz, News Reporter Colleen Flynn and Finance Officer Al Cerny.

Agenda

Motion was made by Blane Bartling to adopt the meeting agenda as posted. All members voted aye.

Minutes

Motion was made by Seymour Studenberg to approve the minutes as written for the August 18, 2014 council meeting. All members voted aye.

Department Head Reports

Police Dept.

Steve McDowell reported on a complaint from a citizen about a dog running loose. The owner was fined \$25, per the city ordinance, but the citizen thought the fine should be higher. McDowell showed the council a reporting form for the activity that had taken place last month concerning police calls and arrests. The council approved of the reporting form.

Street Dept.

Mark Fortuna reported that the chip sealing has been completed for Gregory and they will help with the Burke chip sealing this Wednesday since both towns work together. Mark also informed the council that Alex Hamilton had passed two of his four tests needed to become water/wastewater certified. Mark was asked about the seal coating process and why some streets were seal coated curb to curb while others were not. Fortuna explained that he was sealcoating the newer streets curb to curb because they had curbs and they were in good enough shape to seal coat.

New Business

Payloader

The city council discussed whether or not to declare the city's 2007 payloader surplus and buy a new payloader off of a state bid. The estimated difference that the city would have to pay would be \$30,000. The current payloader will need tires and the estimated cost of the tires is \$10,000. The current payloader has 2700 hours on it, which is low for its age. The purchase of a new payloader is not in the city's budget. After some other discussion, motion was made by Chad Peck to keep the current payloader and not surplus it. All members voted aye.

Budget Ordinance No. 2014-03

The 2015 Budget Ordinance No. 2014-03 was placed on its first reading. The ordinance is balanced with no surplus funds being used to help balance the budget. Motion was made by Tim Mills to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2014-03. All members vote aye.

#### Ordinance No. 2014-04 - Compensation for Planning Board Members

Ordinance No. 2014-04, which would pay each planning and zoning board member, \$25 per meeting, was placed on its first reading. Motion was made by Chad Peck to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2014-04 which sets compensation for the planning and zoning members at \$25 per meeting. Shana Flakus abstained and the rest of the members voted aye. Motion passed.

#### Sewer Project

The council members discussed the final pay request for Excel Underground. The company wanted paid by the city for the work done and that was to include the amount of extra work placing the manholes and the city would have to get paid by the engineer for the manhole costs. Motion was made by Stacey Boes to pay Excel Underground \$31,314.42 which would cover the remainder of the contract to finish the sewer line project, which includes the change final change order amount of \$17,305.17. All members voted aye.

#### Building Permit/Amanda Fiebelkorn

The city council members approved a building permit for an 8'x10' shed on skids for Amanda Fiebelkorn.

#### Surplus Manhole Lids and Cutting Edges

Motion was made by Chad Peck to surplus some used manhole lids, cutting edges and assorted iron and to put a value of less than \$500 on the material. All members voted aye.

#### Code Enforcement Officer

The Mayor discussed the possibility of hiring a code enforcement officer for the city. The council members had several questions about the position so it was agreed to table the discussion until the next council meeting when more information would be available.

#### SPN Contract Amendment

The council discussed a proposed amendment to the original contract with SPN in regard to developing Grandview Addition. The proposed amendment would reduce the scope of services and cost for doing some Phase I work and reflect what the city would like to next work on. The cost of engineering would include Lot B in the Industrial portion along with grading Logan Avenue to First Street and redoing the drainage ditches. Motion was made by Seymour Studenberg to approve the amendment change to the original contract. All members voted aye.

#### Claims

Motion was made by Chad Peck to approve the claims and to include Excel underground for their final payment. All members voted aye.

Appeara	mats/dust mop/towels/hand cleaner/coveralls	51.97
Brush & Hammer	strip/scrub/wax city hall floor	150.00
Commercial Asphalt	1.89 ton of tack oil	1,795.50
Dakota Pump & Control Inc	lift station inspection agreement	760.00
Department Of Revenue	pool/water testing	182.00
Excel Underground Inc	payment #3/final sewer project	31,314.42
Gregory-Dallas Chamber	3rd qtr subsidy	6,250.00
Gregory Public Library	supplies/books and magazines subs/licenses	2,081.68
Gregory School District	½ cost aud. electrical work/supplies/chair dolly	1,352.97

Gregory Times-Advocate	publishing	273.21
H & J Sales	repairs/parts for weed eater	548.00
Hawkins Inc	chlorine cylinder charge	15.00
HD Supply Waterworks Ltd	6 radio read water meters	823.84
Health Pool Of SD	health insurance	4,956.32
Jim's Garbage Service	garbage pickup service	260.00
Klein's True Value	cleaning supplies/towels/tissue/bulbs/filters	415.98
Naper Transport Inc	148.76 ton/sealcoat gravel	2,752.06
Northwest Pipe Fittings Inc	water fittings	215.25
Office Products Center	copier service contract	35.00
Old Pioneer Tool Pawn & Gun	ammunition	91.98
Petty Cash	car wash reimbursement	7.00
Plains Printing Co	city stationary	73.62
Rosebud Electric Coop Inc	purchase aerial truck/mo. electric payment	10,918.96
Running's Supply Inc	hammer drill/impact driver combo kit/paint/supplies	627.71
Schmucker Paul Nohr & Assoc	phase I work in Grandview Addition	4,350.00
SD Department Of Revenue	title/plates for 2000 pickup (ladder truck from REC)	14.00
Share Corporation	citra cleaner/glass cleaner	539.40
Spann Construction	replace riser/5th & park	336.74
The Crossroads Hotel	lodging (Huron)/cert. operator training (A Hamilton)	194.97
Tri-State Turf & Irrigation	6 sprinkler heads	119.07
Tripp County Water User Dist	monthly water service	3,000.00
Wilson Heating & Cooling	auditorium community room a/c repairs	141.50
Total		74,648.15

8-26-2014 Payroll:

Finance Officer, \$1,840.00; Police Dept., \$5,488.38; Street Dept., \$3,656.44; Water Dept., \$2,723.14; Sewer, \$340.34; Airport, \$235.75; Pool, \$1,331.88 Park, \$598.69; Library, \$1,116.26; Economic Dev., \$200.00; Total Gross Amt, \$17,530.88; Aflac, \$257.58; SDRS, \$3,579.28; Child Support, \$219.23; City of Gregory, \$103.72; EFTPS, \$4,091.83

Adjourn

Motion was made by Tim Mills to adjourn. All members voted aye.

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Maurice Schlaht, Mayor

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