

Gregory City Council  
Regular Meeting  
01/03/2022

The Gregory City Council met in regular session at the Gregory City Hall at 120 W 6th St on Monday, January 3, 2022, at the time of 6:00 p.m. The following members were present: Mayor Scott Anshutz; Council Members: Cory Graber, Guyla Husman, Shana Flakus, Ashley Lozano, Kristi Drey, Seymour Studenberg. Also present were City Administrator/Finance Officer Alexander Hamilton, City Attorney Amy Bartling Jacobsen, Librarian Tara Engel, and news reporter Patty Connealy.

**Agenda**

Motion was made by Guyla Husman, seconded by Ashley Lozano to approve the agenda as written, all members voted aye. The motion passed.

**Minutes**

Motion was made by Seymour Studenberg, seconded by Kristi Drey, to approve the regular meeting minutes from the 12/21/21 City Council Meeting, all members voted aye. The motion passed.

**No Public Forum**

**Dept. Head Reports**

Librarian Tara Engel reported that the library has 3 activities coming this month. Tara has received the funds from a grant and will be purchasing a book sterilizer and camera system. A second grant was received in the amount of \$3,000 dollars to purchase children and teen material for the library. Tara also reported that the library received accreditation for 2022.

**No Committee Reports**

**Mayor Report**

Mayor Anshutz reported that he had talked with Tony Timanus with Avera Gregory regarding COVID. Reporting that there are currently 8,500 active cases in SD currently, with all major healthcare facilities reporting limited beds available. The Omicron strand is more transmittal with a smaller hospitalize and death rate. With a bottom line is your sick stay home. Mayor also reported that Suzanne Braun's last day as chamber director will be January 28<sup>th</sup>. Committees will meet to brainstorm on moving forward with the position with possible joining it with the BID director again.

**Conflict of Interest**

Nobody had a conflict of interest with the agenda.

**New Business**

District III 2022 Membership & Representative

Finance Officer Hamilton reported with the new year it is time to renew our membership with District III, and to assign a member of the council as our representative. Mayor Anshutz asked council who would like to be our representative. No Council members offered, it was decided that Hamilton and Anshutz

would assume the position. Motion was made by Ashley Lozano, seconded by Cory Graber to renew the membership with District III for \$,479.00. All members voted aye; the motion carried.

*Code Enforcement*

Mayor Anshutz reported that yearly contract with Code Enforcement Specialists needs to be renewed if we would like to continue with their services. Motion was made by Shana Flakus, seconded by Seymour Studenberg to approve the contract for 2022 paying the \$1500 retainer fee. Kristi Drey voted nay, all other members voted aye, the motion carried.

*Auditorium*

Council Member Shana Flakus reported that Councilor Drey, Herself, and Finance Officer Hamilton met with the school’s auditorium committee Todd Schweigert, and Jason Frasch to discuss items that have come to attention at the auditorium and community center. The committees walked the facility taking notes on items that need to be addressed. Main items were the roof of the community room, bathroom update, lighting, general maintenance, and cleaning. Shana also reported that school board member Schweigert mentioned that it might be a good idea for one of the city’s committee members to attend the next school board meeting. Mayor Anshutz asked the council if they would like to approve paying for half of the lighting replacement. It was decided to wait and see what our insurance adjuster says about the roof of the community room. Not to detour from paying for half of the lighting project, just to make sure we have our finance in line before we commit to spending.

**Claims**

Motion was made by Guyla Husman, seconded by Ashley Lozano to approve paying the claims, all members voted aye. The motion Passed.

Appeara	Supplies	2021	64.96
CATS	Financial Services	2021	507.62
Gregory Building Center	Plywood	2021	45.07
Kens Body Shop	Police Vehicle	2021	11,619.38
Kleins True Valu	Fuses	2021	34.72
Mcleod's Print	Laser Checks	2021	299.90
Public Health	Water Testing	2021	43.00
Rosebud Electric	Service to Grandview Lot I	2021	263.14
Rosebud Electric	Electric Payment	2021	4,098.09
Sioux Equip	Airport fuel pump repair	2021	1,249.36
gWorks	FrontDesk Users	2021	75.00
Works	2022 front desk Subscription	2022	900.00
DANR	2022 NPDES Municipal Fee	2022	1,500.00
Health Pool of	Health/Life ins Premium	2022	5,217.38
Premier Pyrotechnics	2022 Fireworks	2022	6,500.00
SDML Workers Comp	2022 Work Comp Renewal	2022	17,614.00
South Dakota Municipal League	2022 Annual Membership	2022	1,431.80
US Postal Serv	Annual First Class Presort Fee	2022	265.00
Dakota Pump	Annual Computer Software	2022	1,442.75
SD Airport Management Ass.	Airport 2022 Dues	2022	25.00

SD Governmental Finance officers	2022 Dues	2022	70.00
SD Governmental Human Resources	2022 Dues	2022	50.00
SD Governmental Street Maintenance	2022 Dues	2022	35.00
SD Police Chiefs Association	2022 Dues	2022	96.71
Core & Main LP	RNI Sensus Dues	2021	15,097.75
Runnings Supply	Supplies	2021	52.63
Wilson's Heating & Cooling	Auditorium Filter Change	2021	85.20
SPN	First & Logan Project	2021	3,200.00
Gregory County Treasurer	Law Enforcement Coverage	2021	4,725.00
Birkel Dirt work & Excavation LLC	Ditch Cleaning	2021	2,917.20
		Total	\$79,525.66

Motion was made by Guyla Husman, seconded by Ashley Lozano to go into executive session to talk personnel @ 6:54 PM. All members voted aye, the motion carried. Finance Officer Hamilton exited the council chambers at 7:03 PM, Mayor Anshutz Removed the council from executive session at 7:28 PM, Finance Officer Hamilton re-entered the chambers. Upon exit motion was by Ashley Lozano, seconded by Guyla Husman to offer a position to a police officer. Motion was also made by Guyla Husman, seconded by Cory Graber to set Finance Officer Hamilton at a salary position with the amount of \$55,100/year, all members voted aye. The motion carried.

Motion was made by Kristi Drey, seconded by Ashley Lozano to adjourn the meeting. All members voted aye; the motion carried.

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 Scott Anshutz, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Alexander Hamilton, City Finance Officer