

Gregory City Council
Regular Meeting
October 19, 2020

The Gregory City Council met in regular session at the Gregory Fire Hall at 620 Church Ave at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, October 19, 2020. The following members were present: Mayor Scott Anshutz; Council Members, Kristi Drey, Seymour Studenberg, Guyla Husman, Shana Flakus, and Ashley Lozano. Absent was Council Member Cory Graber. Also present were News Reporter Patty Connealy, Librarian Tara Engel, Public Works Supt. Alex Hamilton, City Attorney Amy Jacobsen and Finance Officer Al Cerny.

Agenda

Motion was made by Guyla Husman to approve the agenda as posted, seconded by Shana Flakus. All members voted aye.

Minutes

Motion was made by Seymour Studenberg to approve as written the October 5, 2020 council meeting minutes, seconded by Ashley Lozano. All members voted aye.

Public Forum

Nobody was present for the public forum.

Department Head Reports

Librarian Tara Engel reported that she is working on completing the SD Humanities Grant that the library had received. She is taking a 4-week course (training) on technology.

Public Works Supt. Alex Hamilton reported that the street chip sealing has been completed and 35 blocks were done this year. The crew is busy winterizing. Alex discussed the possible purchase of a new Bobcat skid loader that could be bought under a multi-state bid. The price was lower than the State Bid price. The council members agreed to add this to the agenda and will discuss later in the meeting.

Conflict of Interest

Nobody had a conflict of interest.

Board of Adjustment

Motion was made by Shana Flakus to go into the Board of Adjustment to review building permits, seconded by Ashley Lozano. All members voted aye.

Building Permits

The P&Z board recommended approval of the following building permits. Motion was made by Seymour Studenberg to approve the building permit applications of the listed applications, seconded by Guyla Husman. All members voted aye.

Melissa Bartling: Portable storage shed, no variances

Wm. Krotter Company: 40'x126' storage shed, no variances

Marsha Sorensen: Fence, no variances

Return to Regular Meeting

Motion was made by Guyla Husman to adjourn out of the Board of Adjustment and back into the regular council meeting, seconded by Ashley Lozano. All members voted aye.

Ordinance No. 2020-02

Ordinance No. 2020-02 was placed on its second reading. The ordinance would remove the requirement that a house would have to be built within 3 years on any residential lot sold in Grandview Addition. Motion was made by Ashley Lozano to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 2020-02, seconded by Seymour Studenberg. All members voted aye.

Chief of Police Hire

Doug Catts accepted the position of Chief of Police. The council members agreed to the following hiring conditions: \$25 per hour pay; two weeks of paid vacation and another one week of unpaid vacation; will be reimbursed for individual health insurance cost since his wife has health insurance coverage for him. Doug is scheduled to start around January 1, 2021.

iPad Order

Al Cerny reported that he had run into some problems in trying to purchase more than two iPads on one order, but he believes he found a company that will sell more than two. The council members agreed that 9 iPads should be ordered; 7 for the council; one for finance office and one for police department. iPads with Wi-Fi and 128GB will be ordered.

COVID Update

Tony Timanus gave the council an update on the COVID situation in Gregory County. South Dakota is experiencing an uptick in cases. It appears that Gregory County may have just experienced a peak period. Staff at the Avera Health Care facility are getting tired. Tony encouraged everyone to wear face masks while out in the public. The city's current resolution on COVID-19 restrictions will remain in effect.

Hail Damage Building List

The council members were given a listing of the buildings that were damaged in the late summer hailstorm. The replacement and cash values were listed. The list will be reviewed and there could be a few buildings that will not be repaired. The list will be sent to the insurance company.

Airport Grant Application

The council members reviewed a pre-application grant application that would reconstruct the Gregory Airport runway and taxiways. The total estimated cost would be 3.4 million dollars and the city's share would be \$221,000. Motion was made by Guyla Husman to allow Mayor Anshutz to sign the pre-grant application for the runway work, seconded by Ashley Lozano. All members voted aye.

Bobcat Loader

The council discussed the possible purchase of a Bobcat skid loader model S76 T4 off a multi-state bid. The city could use \$20,000 of airport cares funding and the money received from the recent sale of some fixed assets. Motion was made by Ashley Lozano to purchase the Bobcat skid loader model S76T4 for \$50,027.10, seconded by Shana Flakus. All members voted aye.

Catholic Daughters Proclamation

Joan Grim met with the council to have the Mayor sign a proclamation honoring the local Catholic Daughters 100 years of being organized in Gregory.

Claims

Motion was made by Shana Flakus to pay the following claims, seconded by Ashley Lozano. All members voted aye.

Appearra	Mats/Mop/Sanitizer/Towels/Hand Cleaner/Coveralls	81.70
Buche Foods	Cleaning Supplies	9.90
Cardmember Service	Notary Bond/Jennifer	50.00
Coach's Lawn Service LLC	Park Lawncare & Maintenance/Fertilize & Weed Control	1,434.71
Core & Main LP	Brass Tees/Water Parts	222.60
Dillan Vosika	Replace Shingles/Airport Building	8,861.25
EFTPS	Fed/FICA Tax	6,486.93
Flexible Pipe Tool Company	2 Strainer Screens	81.00
GovOffice	Website Provider Annual Service Pkge	660.00
Gregory Building Center	Airport Door Lever/Labor	67.99
Gregory County Treasurer	Gregory County Law Enforcement On-Call Work	4,400.00
Jim's Garbage Service	Garbage Pickup Service	300.00
Klein's True Value	Vacuum Bags/Masks/Light Bulbs/Fittings/Batteries/Keys	230.45
Mr. Automotive	Booster Cables/Oil Filter/Oil	114.11
The Radar Shop	Re-Certify Two Radar Units	86.00
Rosebud Farmers Union	Gasoline/Diesel Fuel/Hydraulic Oil	1,415.17
SD Federal Property Agency	9 Fire Hose Nozzles	225.00
South Dakota 811	Locate Tickets	46.20
Spencer Quarries Inc.	87.46 Ton Rock Chips	1,198.21
The Road Guy Const Co Inc.	Sealcoat 35 Blocks City Streets	61,960.52
Tripp County Water User Dist	Monthly Water Service	3,000.00
US Bank St Paul	Sales Tax Bond Series 2013 Pmt	115,187.50
Verizon Wireless	Cellphone Charges	646.83
Accounts Payable Total		\$206,766.07
Invoices: Paid		\$6,486.93
Invoices: Scheduled		\$200,279.14
Payroll Checks		\$21,343.64
TOTAL		\$228,109.71

10/13/2020 Payroll: 3rd Cent Econ Dev., \$994.98; Finance Officer, \$2,272.80; General Government Bldg., \$185.40; Police Dept., \$3,675.33; Street Dept., \$2,869.23; Water Dept., \$3,699.88; Sewer, \$649.03; Ambulance, \$11,374.20; Library, \$1,147.86; Gross Amt, \$26,868.71

Adjourn

Motion was made by Ashley Lozano to adjourn, second by Shana Flakus. All members voted aye.

Scott Anshutz, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Al Cerny, Finance Officer