

Gregory City Council
Regular Meeting
10/03/2022

The Gregory City Council met in regular session at the Gregory City Hall (120 West 6th St.) on Monday, October 3, 2022 at the time of 6:00 p.m. The following members were present: Mayor Al Cerny; Council members: Ashley Lozano, Kristi Drey, Guhner Kepler, Darwin Grim, and Guyla Husman, absent Cory Graber, City Attorney Amy Jacobsen, Police Chief Doug Catts, News Reporter Patty Connealy, Librarian Tara Engel, guest Brian Mori.

Agenda

Motion was made by Ashley Lozano, seconded by Guyla Husman to approve the agenda as wrote. All members voted aye; the motion carried.

Minutes

Motion was made by Darwin Grim to approve the minutes from the 9/19/22, seconded by Kristi Drey. All member voted aye; the motion carried.

No Public Forum

Dept. Head Reports

Librarian Tara Engel reported that she has returned from the SDLA conference with her librarian recertification and was also provided with a STEAM Kit due to being an accredited library. Police Chief Doug Catts reported that he will be attending the SDML conference in Watertown on Wed. the 5th and attending a child abuse class in Sioux Falls on the Thursday the 6th. Chamber Director Trenton Seegers set the Harvest Festival being on October 15th. The Chamber will be selling Christmas trees and he is working on setting up a haunted house for Halloween.

No Committee Reports

Conflict of Interest

Darwin Grim Stated that he will refrain from voting on the County Law Contract.

New Business

Building Permits

Motion was made by Guyla Husman, seconded by Ashley Lozano to enter the board of adjustment. All member voted aye; the motion carried. Mayor Cerny presented building permit 2022-25 from Frances Hart building an ADA ramp. Mayor Cerny stated that Planning and Zoning met and reviewed the permit with a recommendation to approve. Motion was by Darwin Grim, seconded by Ashley to approve building permit 2022-25 from Frances Hart. All members voted aye; the motion carried. Motion was made Kristi Drey, seconded by Darwin to exit the board of adjustment. All members voted aye; the motion carried.

County Law Contract

Mayor Cerny presented the yearly Law Enforcement Services Contract that runs from Oct 1st, 2022, to Oct 1st, 2023. The states that the City of Gregory agrees to compensate the Gregory County Sheriff's Dept \$525.00 per or \$262.50 per half day of coverage. Councilor Husman asked Chief Doug Catts to

speak on the contract. Chief was in favor of the contract stating that there will be a time that we will need to use it. Motion was made by Ashley Lozano, seconded by Guhner Kepler to approve the law enforcement services contract with the Gregory County Sheriff's Dept. Councilor Darwin Grim withstood from voting, council Kristi Drey voted nay, all remaining members voted aye; the motion carried.

Housing Board Appointment

Mayor Cerny presented that Housing Board member Wade Juracek term has expired. Cerny stated that they are a five-year term, and that he will reach out to Wade to see if he is interested in staying on. Mayor Cerny asked the council to have any ideas of who would be a good fit to bring to the next meeting if Juracek is not willing.

Update Main St. Rental

Finance Officer Hamilton reported that possible renter for the city's main street rental property would possibly like some small renovations done to the building to add more office space. Hamilton also stated that the city will need to update the flooring and lighting in the building as they are in tough shape. Hamilton will continue to work with the possible renter and will start to try and find contractors to remove the building to the south when the city retains ownership of them.

Water/Sewer Rate Discussion

Mayor Cerny presented three different options for water sewer rate increases, that we need to adopt to make us eligible to accept grants from the state. Cerny recommended option two to the council, which would have the least impact on our current rates. This option would include a surcharge of 28.40. Mayor Cerny asked the council to be able to vote on an ordinance at the next meeting.

SPN Update

Mayor Cerny presented the council with an update that SPN provided on our current projects. The project of First & Logan is waiting substantially complete and for Contractor to complete final punch list items and submit final paperwork. For the Phase I Utility Improvements project, SPN is continuing to work on the topographic survey and preliminary design. The aerial survey for all project phases has been completed. SPN is reviewing the proposed location of the replacement of the Rice Street Lift Station. SPN needs assistance from the city to determine what locations could be considered for the lift station.

Claims

VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
ACCOUNTS MANAGEMENT INC.	GARNISHMENT 4	155.65
AFLAC	AFLAC- PRE-TAX	300.24
APPEARA	TOWELS,HANDCLEANER,COVERALLS	54.01
BARCO MUNICIPAL PRODUCTS INC	STREET SIGNS & POSTS	1501.97
DENICE ZEISLER	EARNEST MONEY	1000.00
DIVISION OF CHILD SUPPORT	CHILD SUPPORT	126.92
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	4994.68
GREGORY AMBULANCE SERVICE	REFUND TREASURY PAYMENT	1000.00
GREGORY PUBLIC LIBRARY	BOOKS/SUPPLIES	415.40
GREGORY TIMES-ADVOCATE	COUNCIL PUBLISHING	482.82

HEALTH POOL OF SD	HEALTH INSURANCE	4494.54
HELMS & ASSOCIATES	RUNWAY RECONSTRUCTION ENGINE	364.66
JIM'S GARBAGE SERVICE	GARBAGE PICKUP SERVICE	400.00
KLEIN'S TRUE VALUE	CLEANING SUPPLIES	108.88
LANES DIESEL REPAIR LLC	REPAIRS YELLOW TRUCK	800.00
OFFICE PRODUCTS CENTER	POCKET FOLDERS	59.38
PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY	WATER TESTING	238.00
ROSEBUD ELECTRIC COOP INC	UNDERGROUND POWER	24224.80
ROY GARRINGER POST 36	5 AMERICAN FLAGS	224.75
SCHMUCKER PAUL NOHR & ASSOC	1ST & LOGAN ENGINEERING	40078.50
SDRS	SD RETIREMENT	4228.42
SDRS SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT	SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT	800.00
TURNEY CONTRACTING	REPLACE AUDITORIUM ROOF	40347.21
US POSTAL SERVICE	WATER BILLING POSTAGE	265.76
Accounts Payable Total		126666.59
Invoices: Paid		11871.67
Invoices: Scheduled		114794.92

Motion was made by Guyla Husman, seconded by Ashley Lozano to pay the claims. All members voted aye; the motion carried.

Motion was made by Kristi Drey, seconded by Darwin Grim to adjourn. All members voted aye; the carried.

ATTEST: _____
Finance Officer: Alexander Hamilton

Mayor: Al Cerny