

City of Gregory  
Regular Council Minutes  
December 06, 2021

The Gregory City Council met in regular session at the Gregory City Hall, 120 West 6<sup>th</sup>, on Monday December 6, 2021, at the time of 5:00 p.m. The following members were present: Mayor Scott Anshutz; Council members: Seymour Studenberg, Shana Flakus, Kristi Drey, Cory Graber, Ashley Lozano and Guyla Husman. Also present were News Reporter Patty Connealy, City Attorney Amy Jacobsen and Finance Officer Alex Hamilton, Mona Taggart, and Planning and Zoning President Sam Flakus.

**Executive Session**

The Council opened the meeting by going into executive session to discuss employee evaluations of the city employees that were done by each department head.

Mayor Anshutz took the council out of executive session at 6:04 p.m. Upon exit Council member Seymour Studenberg made a motion to give 3% raises to all full-time employees not on probation and all year-around part-time employees, with Librarian Tara Engel receiving an \$2.50 raise seconded by, Shana Flakus, all members voted aye. The motion passed.

Council member Ashley Lozano exited the meeting

Wages for 2021 are as follows: Tara Engel \$16.00 per hr; Suzanna Braun \$16.40; Doug Catts \$25.75; Damon Eaglestar \$16.22; Jennifer Keegan \$21.92; Josey Larsen \$22.15, Christian Spann \$11.33; Beth Raschke \$5,113.91 annually; Alex Hamilton \$24.72; Dean Rivers \$20.00; Marty Jung \$19.00. Employees on probation are Alex Hamilton, Dean Rivers, and Marty Jung.

**Agenda**

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

**Minutes November 15, 2021**

Motion was made by Shana Flakus to approve the November 15, 2021, minutes as written, seconded by Kristi Drey. All members voted aye.

**No Public Forum**

**Department Head Reports**

There was no department heads present.

**No Committee Reports**

**No Mayor Report**

**No Conflict of Interest**

**New Business**

*Award 1<sup>st</sup> Street & Logan Project*

City Engineer Jeff McCormick and Riley Heck with SPN zoomed into the meeting. Jeff recommended to the council to accept the bid amount \$ 1,046,894.36 from Vanderpol Dragline. Motion was made by Shana Flakus to accept the bid

from VanderPol Dragline in the amount of \$1,046,894.36 for the First Street and Logan Ave Street and water improvements, seconded by Seymour Studenberg, all members voted aye. The motion passed.

#### *City Wide Water/Wastewater/Street project*

District III Representative Eric Ambrosion joined the zoom conference with Jeff McCormick and Riley Heck. Jeff presented a new structure to our project going from two phases to three phases, now including all street replacement. With the new Dept. of Agriculture and Natural Resources proposed American Rescue Plan Act includes \$600,000,000 for water and sewer infrastructure projects across the state. Jeff stated that the city will need to apply for funding for phase 1 of the project before December 31<sup>st</sup>. Phase 1 total Engineer estimate is \$8,930,000.00, which is Spencer Street to the east including Pleasant View. Water/sewer rates will need to be increased to be eligible to apply for funding. The city will need to also have a public meeting to inform the citizens and answer any questions.

#### *Building Permits*

Motion was made by Shana Flakus to enter the board of equalization, seconded by Guyla Husman, all members voted aye. The motion passed.

Sam Flakus President of the Planning and Zoning presented two building permits one from Dakota Auto Care for building a new shop and another from Mona Taggart to move a building in by the Ranch House Gifts Antiques & More. Flakus stated that then entire Planning and Zoning met at both locations and voted to recommend approval for both building permits. Motion was made by Seymour Studenberg to approve the building permits for Dakota Auto Care and Mona Taggart, second by Guyla Husman, all members voted aye. The motion passed. Motion was made by Shana Flakus second by Guyla Husman to exit the board of equalization, all members voted aye, the motion passed.

#### *Ordinance 2021-04 Voting Ward change to 2021-05*

Motion was made by Shana Flakus to change the ordinance number on ordinance # 2021-04 Voting Ward to 2021-05, seconded by Guyla Husman, all members voted aye. The motion passed.

#### *Parcel # 6833 Tax Abatement Mobile Home*

The city had condemned and removed a mobile home at parcel #6833. City taxes in the amount of \$34.26 had been abated. Motion was made by Seymour Studenberg, seconded by Cory Graber to allow the mayor to sign the county tax abatement for parcel # 6833, all members voted aye. The motion passed.

Council member Cory Graber exited the meeting.

#### *Ordinance NO. 2021-06 Supplement Budget*

Ordinance NO. 2021-06 was placed on its first reading. The ordinance would supplement the 2021 appropriations budget by \$2,707,000. This was mainly due to the airport runway reconstruction. Motion was made by Seymour Studenberg seconded by Shana Flakus to approve the first reading of Budget Supplement Ordinance 2021-06, all members voted aye. The motion passed.

#### *Airport ARPA Grant*

Motion was made by Seymour Studenberg, seconded by Kristi Drey to allow the mayor to sign the ARPA airport grant, all members voted aye. The motion passed.

#### *Airport Change order # 2*

Motion was made by Seymour Studenberg seconded by Guyla Husman to approve and have the mayor sign the airport runway change order #2 decreasing the contract price by \$137,138.33, all members voted aye. The motion passed

*VanderPol pay request #6 final*

Motion was made by Shana Flakus, seconded by Kristi Drey to approve the mayor to sign the final pay request from VanderPol Dragline in the amount of \$234,939.99, all members voted aye. The motion passed.

*Christmas employee bonus/Christmas party*

Motion was made by Shana Flakus, seconded by Kristi Drey to approve Christmas bonus of \$250 to all full-time employees and \$100 to all year around part time employees, all members voted aye. The motion passed. The Christmas party will be discussed later.

*Claims*

Motion was made by Shana Flakus, seconded by Guyla Husman to pay the claims, all members voted aye. The motion passed.

AFLAC	AFLAC- PRE-TAX	239.80
APPEARA	TOWELS/HAND CLNER/COVERALLS	169.70
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	LODGING SDML CONF	198.02
C.A.T.S.	FINANCIAL SERVICES	515.81
CODE ENFORCEMENT SPECIALISTS	CODE ENFORCEMENT FEES	728.40
CYBERTEK SYSTEMS	MANAGED IT/AIRPORT COMPUTER	720.00
DIVISION OF CHILD SUPPORT	CHILD SUPPORT	159.23
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	3604.40
GOLDEN WEST TELECOMMUNICATIONS	PHONE/INTERNET CHARGES	1263.88
GREGORY AMBULANCE SERVICE	REFUND US TREASURY PAYMENT	1377.00
GREGORY BUILDING CENTER	DRILL BIT	4.79
GREGORY COUNTY TREASURER	2 DAYS LAW ENFORCEMENT	1050.00
GREGORY MEMORIAL GOLF FUND	ELMER&KAY KARL PASS THRU	1000.00
GREGORY MUSIC CAMP FUND	ELMER&KAY KARL PASS THRU	1000.00
GREGORY TIMES-ADVOCATE	COUNCIL PUBLISHING	280.07
HEALTH POOL OF SD	HEALTH INSURANCE	4888.94
HELMS & ASSOCIATES	AIRPORT RUNWAY RECON	16738.58
HIPP THEATRE	ELMER&KAY KARL PASS THRU	1000.00
JIM'S GARBAGE SERVICE	GARBAGE PICKUP SERVICE	300.00
MCLEOD'S PRINTING & OFFICE SUP	2021 TAX FORMS	111.41
OFFICE PRODUCTS CENTER	COPIER SERVICE CONTRACT	88.10
PETTY CASH	REIMBURSEMENT	5.50
PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY	WATER DEPT WATER TESTING	30.00
ROCS DINING SERVICES	ELMER&KAY KARL PASS THRU	500.00
ROSEBUD ELECTRIC	ELECTRIC PAYMENT	4915.64
RUNNINGS SUPPLY INC.	LAMPHOLDER,FITTINGS,SCREWS	182.89
SCHMUCKER PAUL NOHR AND ASSOC	FIRST&LOGAN STREET BID	4800.00
SD ASSOC OF RURAL WATER SYSTEM	ANNUAL DUES CLASS B	590.00
SDRS	SD RETIREMENT	4054.06
SDRS SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT	SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT	500.00
SIOUX EQUIPMENT	CHANGE FUEL FILTER,CHECK VALVE	1761.41
SONS of THE AMERICAN LEGION #6	ELMER&KAY KARL PASS THRU	500.00

TRANSOURCE TRUCK & EQUIP INC	PAYLOADER FILTERS	826.65
US POSTAL SERVICE	WATER BILLING POSTAGE	238.00
US POSTAL SERVICE	WATER BILLING POSTAGE	58.00
VANDERPOL DRAGLINE INC	AIRPORT RUNWAY RECON PAY#6	234939.99
YANKTON FIRE & SAFETY CO INC	ANNUAL FIRE EXT INSPECTIONS	607.50
Accounts Payable Total		289947.77
Invoices: Paid		8795.49
Invoices: Scheduled		281152.28
Payroll Checks		12716.34
***** REPORT TOTAL *****		302664.11
GENERAL FUND		293106.94
3RD CENT SALES TAX		1516.38
WATER FUND		7419.23
SEWER FUND		621.56
TOTAL FUNDS		302664.11

Motion was made by Shana Flakus to adjourn, second by Kristi Drey. All members voted aye. The motion passed.

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Mayor Scott Anshutz

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Finance Officer Alex Hamilton