

City of Gregory
Regular Meeting Minutes
April 19, 2021

The Gregory City Council met in regular session at Gregory City Hall, 120 W 6th St, Gregory, SD on Monday, April 19, 2021 at the time of 6:00 p.m. Mayor Anshutz called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. The following members were present: Mayor Scott Anshutz; Council Members, Guyla Husman, Kristi Drey, Seymour Studenberg, Shana Flakus, Ashley Lozano and Cory Graber. Also present were News Reporter Patty Connealy, Public Works Supt. Alex Hamilton, Police Officer Tom Grove and Finance Officer Al Cerny. Present via Zoom were Head Librarian Tara Engel and City Attorney Amy Jacobsen.

Agenda

Motion was made by Shana Flakus to move items (j) and (k) to executive session and add use of roadside park area to the agenda, seconded by Guyla Husman. All members voted aye.

Minutes

Motion was made by Seymour Studenberg to approve the minutes from the council meeting of April 6, 2021 as written, seconded by Kristi Drey. All members voted aye.

Public Forum/Visitors

There was nobody present for the public forum. Dennis Miner attended the council meeting as a visitor.

Department Head Reports

Librarian Tara Engel reported that she is working on the June/July schedule of events at the library. The council reviewed the March financial report for the library.

Officer Tom Grove gave the police dept. report. The police dept. has issued 10 notices to owners of vehicles that need to be removed. They are making plans to host a bike rodeo in July with the Chamber.

Public Works Supt. Alex Hamilton reported that he had Lee Atteberry, Bud and Collin Schweigert all look at the Pleasant View addition streets. Everyone agreed that the best way to fix the streets is to excavate up the base and replace with 6-8" of gravel, depending upon what type of asphalt surface would be used. Alex also said that the city is waiting for the summer mix asphalt to be made and once it is, they will truck some in for pothole patching.

Conflict of Interest

Nobody reported any conflict of interest with the agenda.

Board of Adjustment

Motion was made by Shana Flakus to enter into the Board of Adjustment to look at building permit applications, seconded by Ashley Lozano. All members voted aye.

Mark Rajewich, storage shed: Motion was made by Guyla Husman to approve the building permit application submitted by Mark Rajewich to place a 12'x16' storage shed in his backyard needing no variance, seconded by Ashley Lozano. All members voted aye.

Gary Brychta, move 10'x16' shed: Motion was made by Seymour Studenberg to approve the building permit application submitted by Gary Brychta to move a 10'x 16' storage shed, needing no variance, from a residence to 910 Logan Ave, seconded by Ashley Lozano. All members voted aye.

Kristal Westfall, 4' chain link fence: Motion was made by Guyla Husman to approve the 4' chain link fence for Krista Westfall at 302 E 8th St if the fence put in avoids any variances, seconded by Seymour Studenberg. All members voted aye.

Motion was made by Asley Lozano to exit out of the Board of Adjustment, seconded by Cory Graber. All members voted aye.

Lifeguards

Motion was made by Shana Flakus to hire each of the applicants who applied to be a lifeguard, seconded by Ashley Lozano. All members voted aye. The council will set the per hour pay rate at the next council meeting, with the base pay being the state minimum wage of \$9.45 per hour.

Prairie Winds Addition Lots 11-12

Steve Matthes spoke on behalf of several people that are interested in Lots 11-12 of Prairie Winds Estates being used as a playground area. There are several younger children living in that area and there is no nearby park to play in. The council agreed to have the city's park committee meet with Matthes and work up a tentative agreement to use the two lots.

April 13 Election Canvass

The council canvassed the election results from the Ward III council race, which took place on April 13, 2021. Motion was made by Ashley Lozano to certify the election results from the Ward III as follows: Guyla Husman, 65 votes; James Sargent, 20 votes. Shana Flakus seconded the motion. All members voted aye, with Guyla Husman not participating in the election canvass or voting on the certification.

OFFICIAL CANVASS SHEET

Date of Election: April 13, 2021

Type of Election: Municipal

Jurisdiction: City of Gregory

Office	Ward III Alderman	Ward III Alderman
	James Sargent	Guyla Husman
Totals	20	65

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)

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COUNTY OF GREGORY)

We, Shana Flakus, Cory Graber, Ashley Lozano, Kristi Drey and Seymour Studenberg, appointed as the Board of Canvassers because of our positions on the governing board in the jurisdiction of the City of Gregory for the municipal election held on the 13th day of April 2021, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true abstract of the votes cast in the jurisdiction of Gregory at the election as shown by the returns certified to the person in charge of the election.

Sworn to before me this 19th day of April 2021.

Al Cerny, Finance Officer

Hay Bids

East Well Field: Two bids were received for the haying of the East Well field land. John Hansen bid \$4,750.00, and Aaron Hogrefe bid \$4,627.77. Motion was made by Seymour Studenberg to accept the high bid of John Hansen for \$4,750.00 for the East Well Field Hay, seconded by Ashley Lozano. All members voted aye.

Grandview Addition: The council received one bid for the haying of the Grandview Addition lots. Mike Braun bid \$1,750.00 for the haying of the Grandview lots. Motion was made by Ashley Lozano to accept the Mike Braun bid of \$1,750.00 for the haying of the Grandview lots, seconded by Cory Graber. All members voted aye.

Gregory Municipal Airport Runway 13/31 Reconstruction Bids

The airport runway reconstruction bid opening was held on April 15, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. The following bids were received: Vanderpol Dragline Inc., \$2,274,842.50; Midland Contracting, \$2,576,880.79 and Border States Paving Inc., \$3,141,024.05. The city's engineering firm recommended giving the bid to the low bidder Vanderpol Dragline Inc., as their bid was complete and reasonable. Motion was made by Ashley Lozano as follows: "Tentative award for AIP #3-46-0018-018-2021, Runway 13/31 Reconstruction, Base Bid is made to Vanderpol Dragline, Inc., Mitchell, SD, in the amount of \$2,274,842.50 upon receipt of an FAA Grant Offer", seconded by Seymour Studenberg. All members voted aye.

FAA Grant Agreement

Motion was made by Ashley Lozano to allow Mayor Scott Anshutz to sign a grant application for assistance in the amount of \$2,685,000 for the reconstruction of Runway 13/31 (3800'x 60'), connector taxiway construction to the runway object free area, and partial parallel taxiway construction to the ROFA on the 13 end, seconded by Shana Flakus. All members voted aye.

Rosebud Realty Sales Commission

The city council discussed giving Rosebud Realty a 6% sales commission for the selling of the 6 lots in Prairie Winds Estates for a total price of \$15,000. Motion was made by Seymour Studenberg to pay Rosebud Realty \$900 or 6% of the sales price of \$15,000 for the recent lot sales in Prairie Winds Estates, seconded by Guyla Husman. All members voted aye.

Surplus Mosquito Fogger

There was discussion on declaring the old mosquito fogger as surplus. The town of Witten, SD would like to purchase the fogger and chemical. Motion was made by Shana Flakus to declare the city's older mosquito fogger and left over chemical as surplus at a value of \$1,500 and to sell the machine and chemicals to Witten, SD, seconded by Coy Graber. All members voted aye.

Arbor Day Proclamation

Motion was made by Guyla Husman to pass the following resolution that declares April 30, 2021 as Arbor Day in Gregory, SD, seconded by Seymour Studenberg. All members voted aye.

ARBOR DAY PROCLMATION

WHEREAS, this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska, and

WHEREAS, trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel our fires and countless other wood products, and

WHEREAS, trees in our city increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community, and

WHEREAS, Gregory has been recognized as a Tree City USA by the National Arbor Day Foundation and desires to continue its' tree-planting ways.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Anshutz, Mayor of the City of Gregory do hereby proclaim April 30, 2021 as

ARBOR DAY

in the City of Gregory, and I urge all citizens to support efforts to care for our trees and woodlands and to support our city's community forestry program, and

FURTHER, I urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the hearts and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

DATED THIS 19th day of April 2021.

Scott Anshutz, Mayor

Use of Roadside Park Area

The city council agreed to let a construction company that has a contract to replace the bad concrete areas on Highway 18, park their construction trailer, assorted trailers, and skid loaders. The company will base out of Gregory and they expect the job to last approximately 5 weeks.

City Administrator/Finance Officer Position

The closing date for the City Administrator/Finance Officer position closed on April 19, 2021. There are three applicants for the position. Seymour Studenberg, Shana Flakus and Al Cerny will review the applications and report back to the council.

Claims

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

Appeara	Towels/Hand Cleaner/Coveralls/Sanitizer	58.09
Bartling Welding & Machine Inc.	Iron	83.10
Burke Oil Company	Airport Fuel	9,378.60
Core & Main LP	HYMAX Couplings	441.66
Donna Schmitz	4-13-21 Election Worker	200.00
EFTPS	Fed/FICA Tax	7,945.83
Gerrie Soper	4-13-21 Election Worker	200.00
Golden West	Phone/Internet Service	1,300.89
Gregory County Highway Dept	Road Maintenance	115.00
Gregory Public Library	Books & Supplies	398.63

Helms & Associates	Airport Runway Reconstruction/Pool Engineering	87,573.16
Klein's Housemoving	Bracing/Remove Doors at City Shop Bldg	2,000.00
Office Products Center	Copier Service Contract/Paper	113.00
Opperman Inc.	39.59 Ton Gravel/ 42.62 Ton Patch Mix Trucking	1,304.40
Rosebud Farmers Union	Gas/Diesel Fuel/Propane	3,690.05
Runnings Supply Inc.	Ratchet Strap/Gloves/Rope/Steel/Vinegar/Broom	202.37
Rural Tech Center	Extra Camera-Observation Park/Cabling/Aud Sign	4,152.85
Samantha Sperl	4-13-21 Election Worker	200.00
SD Federal Property Agency	Tools/Case	48.75
South Dakota 811	Locate Tickets 1st Qtr 2021	14.70
Van Diest Supply Company	Mosquito Equip-Cougar ULV Sprayer/Flushing Sol	11,396.95
Verizon Wireless	Cell Phone Charges	547.50
Accounts Payable Total		\$131,365.53
Invoices: Paid		\$7,945.83
Invoices: Scheduled		\$123,419.70
Payroll Checks		\$25,745.62
Report Total		\$157,111.15

4/13/2021 Payroll: 3rd Cent Econ Dev., \$1,071.42; Finance Officer, \$2,341.60; General Government Bldg., \$190.96; Police, \$5,850.66; Street Dept., \$2,870.40; Water Dept., \$3,920.66; Sewer, \$726.08; Ambulance, \$14,530.13; Library, \$1,163.04; Gross Amt, \$32,664.95

Executive Session

Motion was made by Shana Flakus to go into executive session to discuss a couple of land offers, seconded by Seymour Studenberg. All members voted aye. Council went into executive session at 7:05 p.m. At 7:20 p.m., Mayor Scott Anshutz took the council out of executive session.

Results of Executive Session

Motion was made by Seymour Studenberg to allow the Gregory BID group to sell Lot A in Grandview Addition in a price range of \$53,500 to \$62,000, seconded by Cory Graber. All members voted aye.

The offer to purchase Lots 2-3-4-5-6 Roadside Park was tabled until the lots can be re-platted to reflect the lot sizes after the Avera land purchase to the west.

Adjourn

Motion was made by Kristi Drey to adjourn, seconded by Guyla Husman. All members voted aye.

Scott Anshutz, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
 Al Cerny, Finance Officer