

Gregory City Council
Regular Meeting
04/04/2022

The Gregory City Council met in regular session at the Gregory City Hall (120 West 6th St.) on Monday, April 4, 2022, at the time of 6:00 p.m. The following members were present: Mayor Scott Anshutz; Council members: Guyla Husman, Ashley Lozano, Kristi Drey, Cory Graber and Shana Flakus. Also, present was news reporter Patty Connealy, Finance Officer Alex Hamilton, City Attorney Amy Jacobsen, Police Chief Doug Catts, Planning and Zoning President Sam Flakus, BID members Laura Petersen and Doug Pochop, Jason Schindler and Tim Cahoy with Jason Schindler Flying, and citizen Al Cerny.

Agenda

Motion was made by Shana Flakus, seconded by Cory Graber to approve the agenda with adding items J. City wide clean up and item K. Hay Bids. All members voted aye; the motion carried.

Minutes

Motion was made by Guyla Husman to approve the minutes from the 3/21/22, seconded by Ashley Lozano. All members Voted aye; the motion carried.

Public Forum

Al Cerny spoke economic development, stating that he fully agrees on hiring a BID executive director. Cerny would like to see a part time position so that they city would also be able to assist the BID with other programs, tuition assistance for a trade school student being example. Cerny stated that the city has made great strides without a full-time executive director.

Dept. Head Reports

Librarian Tara Engel report that she is adding some programs in April and is currently working on a summer calendar of events. The library is still waiting on the new book sanitizer. Chief Doug Catts reported that he will be addressing five of the vehicles that have been brought up by code enforcement. Chief also stated that he will be attending an elderly abuse seminar in May.

No Committee Reports

Mayor Report

Mayor Anshutz reported that our hearts our still heavy from the loss of Seymour. Seymour always had Gregory in his heart. Anshutz also reported that we will move the next council meeting to the 19th due to Holiday and move the May 2nd meeting to 5:30 due to High School Concert. Anshutz reported that the roof of City Hall and the Community roof should be completed by mid-May. Other notes where, Main St. house fire has been cleared for removal,

Vanderpol will be starting soon on Logan, approved the contract with CBC reality. Mayor also thanked those who attended the BID, Chamber, Horizons group meeting.

Conflict of Interest

Nobody had a conflict of interest with the new business portion of the agenda.

New Business

Jason Schindler Flying

Jason Schindler spoke on the growing interest in commercial arial spraying in our area. Jason laid out to the council what he would provide the council if he was to spray out of our airport. Jason asked permission to set up a temporary spraying unit out of the Gregory Airport. Jason stated that he would buy as much fuel as he could from the airport and buy some chemical and product from our local business. Motion was made by Kristi Drey, seconded by Ashley Lozano to allow Jason Schindler Flying to operate a portable spraying unit of Gregory Municipal Airport. All members voted aye; the motion carried.

BID Executive Director

Mayor Anshutz reported that he and FO Hamilton had met and discussed funding for the position and came up with the offer of \$2500 a month, no more than 30hrs a week with no benefits for a six-month period. This would give time for the review of the job and then allow us to budget the position for the year 2023. BID would like to advertise for 30 days with the hope to hire with a June 1 start date. Motion was made by Guyla Husman to approve the hire of an Executive Director of the BID no more than 30hr a week, no benefits, and a pay of \$2500 month, seconded by Ashley Lozano. All members voted aye; the motion carried.

Election of new officer and board members

Attorney Amy Bartling stated that right now the vice president will be acting president until the new council takes over in May. Mayor Anshutz reported that there is now a vacancy on the library board due to Seymour passing. Mayor asked Guyla Husman to fill that vacancy. Mayor Anshutz also removed Council member Kristi Drey from the Chamber Committee.

Board of Equalization

Motion was made by Shana Flakus seconded by Guyla Husman to enter the board of equalization. All members voted aye; the motion carried.

President of the Planning and Zoning Sam Flakus presented six building permits. Flakus stated that the board met and reviewed the six permits Sincerely Yours, Bob Duerfeldt, Sam Connot, Mona Taggart, Steven Hopkins, and Amy and Chris Keiser. The Planning and Zoning board recommend approval on all the permits with the only remarks being that Bob Duerfeldt will need a \$75 Variance. Motion was made by Ashley Lozano to approve all six building permits with the variance for Bob Duerfeldt, seconded by Cory Graber. All members voted aye; the motion carried. Motion was made by Shana Flakus, seconded by Guyla Husman to exit the Board of Equalization. All members voted aye; the motion carried.

Bid Revolving Loan Fund Approval

Motion was made by Shana Flakus to approve the revolving loan fund that was presented to the council last meeting, seconded by Guyla Husman. All members voted aye; the motion carried.

Airport FAA Transfer of Entitlements

FO Hamilton reported that the FAA has requested that Gregory Airport have the cracks sealed on the tarmac. The project came in at \$63,000 with the city being responsible for 5% of the project. Motion was made by Shana Flakus, seconded by Ashley Lozano to approve Mayor Anshutz to sign the transfer of entitlement. All members voted aye; the motion carried.

Medical Marijuana Application Deadline

Mayor Anshutz reported that we currently have two different people interested in applying for the City's Medical Marijuana License. Attorney Amy Jacobsen stated that we must advertise for applications before 90 days after passing our ordinances. Motion was made by Ashley Lozano, seconded by Guyla Husman to set a deadline line of April 14th to have any application turned in by. All members voted aye; the motion carried.

SPN Work Change Directive

Mayor Anshutz reported that we have the final numbers on the Railway Ave addition to the 1st and Logan project. The addition was originally estimated at \$667,000 and has come in at \$520,000 a savings of \$147,000. Motion was made by Guyla Husman, seconded by Ashley to allow the mayor to sign the work change directive. All members voted aye; the motion carried.

Essential Worker Compensation

Mayor Anshutz reported that part of the cares package, the city received was to be used on essential worker bonus. Mayor asked the council to consider \$1000 bonus for all full-time employees for all their hard work during the pandemic. Motion was made by Shana Flakus, seconded by Guyla Husman to approve \$1000 bonus for all full-time employees. All members voted aye; the motion carried.

City Clean Up

FO Hamilton stated that the annual City-wide cleanup will be May 5th. All items will need to be placed on curb by May 2nd. All the same rules that have been in place in the past still will apply. NO PLASTIC, NO CARDBOARD, NO HOUSEHOLD GARBAGE, NO ELECTRONICS, all appliances must be freon free. Only construction rubble, furniture, iron. FO Hamilton stated that due to that fact that REA recently trimmed trees, he recommended the city not do trees this year. Instead, will looking into have two large dumpsters for citizens to bring their plastic, cardboard, and trash to. The city would not pick that up. Hamilton will investigate dumpsters.

Advertise for Hay Bids

Motion was made by Guyla Husman, seconded by Ashley Lozano to advertise for hay bids for the well field and Grandview. All members voted aye; the motion carried.

Claims

VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
ACE'S CAR WASH	POLICE CAR WASH TOKENS	96.00
AFLAC	AFLAC INSURANCE	321.36
APPEARA	TOWELS,HANDCLNER,COVERALLS	83.59
B & F VARIETY	CARD	4.29
CATS	FINANCIAL SERVICES	638.62
COLONIAL RESEARCH CHEMICAL COR	CHEMICALS LIFT STATION DEGREAS	1951.75
CORE & MAIN LP	WATER METER & METER PARTS	2047.80
CYBERTEK SYSTEMS	MANAGED IT/PHONE SYSTEM	1008.75
DIVISION OF CHILD SUPPORT	CHILD SUPPORT	159.23
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	4896.57
GREGORY AMBULANCE SERVICE	AMB REFUND TREASURY PAYMENT	4595.50
GREGORY PUBLIC LIBRARY	SUPPLIES	1568.43
HEALTH POOL OF SD	HEALTH INSURANCE	6943.24
KLEIN'S TRUE VALUE	PAINT CHAMBER OFFICE	218.38
LANES DIESEL REPAIR LLC	TRUCK WATER PUMP REPAIR	470.00
MCLEOD'S PRINTING & OFFICE SUP	ELECTIONS SUPPLIES	23.78
OFFICE PRODUCTS CENTER	FILE FOLDERS	72.38
PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY	WATER/WASTEWATER TESTING	87.00
ROSEBUD ELECTRIC COOP INC	ELECTRIC PAYMENT	142.86
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RUNNINGS SUPPLY INC.	RATCHET STRAPS,NUTS,BOLTS	189.89
SCHMUCKER PAUL NOHR AND ASSOC	ENGINEER 1ST&LOGAN&ROADWAY	12338.35
SDRS	SD RETIREMENT	6665.04
SDRS SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT	SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT	750.00
SUZANNE BRAUN	KEGS & CORKS EVENT PLANNING	450.00
TRIPP COUNTY WATER USER DIST	MONTHLY WATER SERVICE	3000.00
US POSTAL SERVICE	WATER BILLING POSTAGE	240.00
Accounts Payable Total		55181.81
Invoices: Paid		13175.06
Invoices: Scheduled		42006.75

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

Motion was made by Shana Flakus seconded by Guyla Husman to adjourn. All Members voted aye.

ATTEST: _____
Finance Officer: Alexander Hamilton

Mayor: Scott Anshutz