

July 2, 2012

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7pm at City Hall for their regular first monthly meeting with the following members present: Brotherton, Hanlon, Opp, Heitmann, Hamilton, and Mayor Olson presiding.

The minutes were approved as read on a motion by Brotherton and seconded by Hamilton. All members present voted aye.

The financial report was approved on a motion by Opp and seconded by Hanlon. All members present voted aye.

Councilman Anderson enters the meeting at this point.

The following bills were approved for payment on a motion by Hamilton and seconded by Brotherton. All members present voted aye.

Executive Payroll	327.40	salaries
Administrative Payroll	6,320.74	salaries
Public Safety Payroll	12,628.11	salaries
Public Works Payroll	22,212.91	salaries
Cultural & Recr Payroll	17,006.19	salaries
First State Bank	8,715.24	ss & wh
City of Groton	393.96	dep ref, postage
Cons Fed Cr Union	1,050.00	emp savings
Groton Chamber of Commerce	240.00	golf donation
Hughes, Kieth	50.00	dep ref
Lowary, Anita	43.00	books
US Post Office	196.96	postage
Redfield VFW Post 2755	75.00	tourn reg
Zoellner, Darin	56.04	dep ref
1st National Bank	2,985.04	2nd St sewer loan
1st National Bank	4,867.04	RR sewer int
1st National Bank	7,670.84	Main St sewer loan
1st National Bank	960.99	2007 sewer flood loan
1st National Bank	5,287.72	EPA loan
1st National Bank	7,670.84	Main St water loan
1st National Bank	2,207.95	NE sewer loan
Aberdeen Baseball	200.00	tourn reg
Associated Supply Co	300.00	band
Avera Queen of Peace	72.40	drug test
Bjerke, Kathy	40.00	sewing
Border States	566.00	conduit, tape
Buhl's	28.00	rug rent
Chase Visa	3,135.27	motel, supp, books
City of Groton	71.26	postage
Clark Engineering	5,540.74	eng
Crawford Trucks	1,691.04	repairs
Dakota Supply Group	2,204.18	fittings
Darrel's Sinclair	256.19	tire repairs
Ellwein Bros	6,379.45	beer
Federal Signal Corp	331.43	charger
Fire Safety First	335.15	ext insp
Fordham Signs	900.00	signs
Groton Independent	43.19	publishing
HD Supply Waterworks	2,135.04	fittings
Heartland Waste	5,466.94	garbage hauling
Hunter, Becky	16.83	markers
James Valley Tele	704.60	phone, internet
Johnson, Drew	475.00	legal serv
Johnson Bros	5,812.09	liquor
Lien Trans	5,632.62	hot mix

Mac's	35.88	ties
Mike N Jo's Body & Glass	140.40	mirror
Mt Vernon Baseball Assoc	75.00	tourn reg
NW Energy	1,191.55	nat gas
Olson Backhoe	2,653.04	digging
Pepsi Cola	1,488.60	pop
Porter Dist Co	1,057.10	beer
Rec Supply	104.65	games
Republic Bev Co	6,640.27	liquor
Roy's Sport Shop	69.99	baseballs
Runnings	143.96	trimmer
Schuring, Brian	100.00	refund fee to play
SD DENR	600.00	water fee
SD Dept of Health	346.00	testing
SD Fed Property Agency	270.25	supplies
SD Retirement	6,973.18	retirement
SD State Treasurer	9,221.26	sales tax
Share Corp	298.60	cleaners
Walmart	117.08	cleaners, supplies
WEB Water	11,252.33	water
Wesco	571.25	supplies
Wright & Sudlow	2,917.92	cement

Department reports were given. Repositioning the traffic lights on 1<sup>st</sup> St was discussed and the lights will be moved to the stop signs.

Moved by Opp and seconded by Anderson to transfer the following cash fund balances: \$79,920 from General Fund; \$8,840 to NE Sewer Debt Service; \$30,700 to Main St Water Debt Service; \$21,160 to EPA Debt Service; \$9,220 to RR Sewer Crossing Debt Service; and \$10,000 to 2<sup>nd</sup> St Sewer Debt Service. All members present voted aye.

The summer meeting for Heartland Power was announced for July 24 at Lake Madison.

Moved by Hamilton and seconded by Hanlon to pass the following resolution which dedicates the school land donation to street use. All members present voted aye.

Resolution 12-0702

WHEREAS, the City of Groton has accepted the donation of seven feet of land from the Groton Area School District, and

WHEREAS, the City of Groton and the Groton Area School District have agreed that this land should be used to widen East Ninth Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the legal description of the land donation is the north seven feet of Lot 5 of Smith's Addition;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Groton will dedicate the land known as the north seven feet of Lot 5, Smith's Addition to be part of E Ninth Avenue.

THEREFORE, BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the City of Groton will be responsible for maintenance of the improved road.

Internet surplus auctions were explained and will be tried as long as there are no additional charges.

Moved by Hanlon and seconded by Opp to surplus the 2005 police Tahoe and set the value at \$11,000. All members present voted aye.

Quotations from the local newspapers were opened. Groton Independent quote

was \$.24/legal line; \$3/display ad column inch/ \$3 for 30 word want ad. Dakota Press was the same as 2011 (\$.25/legal line; \$3/display ad column inch/ \$3 for 30 word want ad. Moved by Hamilton and seconded by Brotherton to declare both the Groton Independent and the Groton Dakota Press as official newspapers with the negotiated prices of \$.24/legal line; \$3/display ad column inch; and \$3 for 30 work want ad. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Heitmann and seconded by Anderson to declare the official depositories for Groton City as 1<sup>st</sup> State Bank of Groton; Wells Fargo Bank- Groton Branch; Dacotah Bank; and SD Public Funds Investment Trust. All members present voted aye.

A letter regarding cemetery stones and caring for bushes from Rondi Utne was read and will be answered. A request for pet burial was discussed and tabled for more information.

A number of unlicensed vehicles were reported. Council directed the Finance Officer to send nuisance letters to the owners.

Mayor Olson gave construction updates on A-Tech's sewer cleaning and relining and on AP & Sons start on the 1<sup>st</sup> St project.

The Capitol Improvement List for last year was distributed for updates and suggestions before the 2013 budget is started.

At 7:46pm the Council adjourned into executive session to discuss legal matters on a motion by Hamilton and seconded by Opp. All members present voted aye. At 7:58pm the Council reconvened into regular session.

Moved by Hamilton and seconded by Opp to authorize Mayor Olson to sign the Clark Engineering contract for \$20,000 for the West Ditch Drainage Study upon receipt of the \$10,000 matching funds from other parties and the \$10,000 grant from the James River Water Development District. All members present voted aye.

Meeting adjourned.

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Roy L. Olson, Mayor

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Anita Lowary, Finance Officer