

August 6, 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, Hamilton, Opp. Anderson and Mayor Olson presiding.

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

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

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

Executive Payroll	327.40	salaries
Administrative Payroll	6,320.74	salaries
Public Safety Payroll	13,624.62	salaries
Public Works Payroll	21,687.23	salaries
Cultural & Recr Payroll	18,836.25	salaries
First State Bank	14,111.08	ss & wh
City of Groton	184.78	dep ref
Cons Fed Cr Union	2,025.00	emp savings
Dauwen, Donald	65.22	dep refund
Jung, Stephanie Luvaas	229.30	refund
Kurth, Travis	1,430.00	tourn umpires
Lowary, Anita	170.71	doc reg, candy, book
SD Municipal League	10.00	handbook
US Post Office	196.48	postage
Clark, Shane	50.00	dep refund
Haggerty, Jessie	100.00	dep refund
Howard, Laurie	50.00	dep refund
Johnson, Laef	50.00	dep refund
Wolken, Amber	50.00	dep refund
Wells Fargo Securities	14,385.43	C&G loan
1st National Bank	4,268.23	interest
3D Specialities	434.30	posts
AP & Sons	319,194.95	construction
A-Tech	9,805.00	sewer cleaning
American Red Cross	209.00	lesson cards
Associated Supply	2,516.62	umbrellas, chemicals
Belden, Irene	72.36	refund
Bjerke, Kathy	307.47	mileage
Border States	442.07	wire
Chase Visa	530.32	sign, bks, postage, supp
Clark Engineering	11,095.24	engineering
Cole Papers	115.45	bags
Colonial Research	377.00	chemicals
Construction Supply	71.00	keys
Dakota Electronics	2,444.05	install radios
Dakota Supply Group	393.48	fittings
Darrel's Sinclair	550.40	repairs
Diamond Vogel	642.80	paint
Digital Ally	23.00	antenna
Duane's	2,920.80	gas, oil, fluid, propane
Ellwein Bros	7,533.45	beer
Farmers Union	2,991.84	dsl
Fastenal	37.00	fasteners
Fordham Signs	150.00	bb sign
Gall's	218.55	uniforms
Gilchrist, Ward	9.17	frt
Graham Tire Co	73.00	tire

Groton Independent	42.00	publishing
HD Supply Waterworks	473.49	saddles, corp
Heartland Waste	5,475.26	garbage hauling
J Gross Equipment	316.78	filter, cutting edge
James Valley Tele	736.86	phone, internet
Johnson, Drew	850.00	legal services
Johnson Bros	7,447.54	liquor
Ken's	1,782.13	gas, food, supplies
Krueger Bros	900.52	rock, dirt
Kurth, Travis	13.78	tire chg
Lien Trans	6,509.77	hot mix
Light & Siren	313.58	bumper
Locators & Supplies	92.13	paint
Lyle Signs	221.07	signs
McGannon Plumbing	488.04	repairs
Menard's	17.98	staples
Michael Todd & Co	178.00	repairs
Nelson Sales	76.37	bearings
NW Energy	1,206.18	natural gas
NW Energy	2,486.28	power delivery
Olson Backhoe	6,482.09	digging
Pepsi Cola	538.00	pop
Porter Dist Co	1,483.60	beer
RDO	1,032.10	mower repair
Republic National Dist Co	4,914.49	liquor
Resco	613.37	cutter, st lite
Runnings	120.32	sharpening, supplies
S&S Lumber	776.72	supplies
Sanitation Products	782.00	brooms
SD Dept of Health	319.00	testing
SD Retirement	7,255.64	retirement
SD State Treasurer	8,215.74	sales tax
Share Corp	349.80	wax, cleaner, deodorize
Topkote	93,599.68	st resurfacing
Van Diest Supply Co	352.75	herbicide
WAPA	25,194.59	power delivery
WEB Water	13,309.13	water
Wesco	299.00	connectors

Department reports were given. Street project updates were given.

At 7:10pm Arlys Doeden came before the Council to request financial support for the Groton Community Transit for 2013. She presented information on use, expenses, trends, and needs.

At 7:25pm the Council adjourned into executive session to discuss legal matters on a motion by Brotherton and seconded by Anderson. All members present voted aye. At 7:58pm the Council reconvened into regular session.

After comparing other cemetery operations, the current policy on burials at the Groton Union Cemetery will remain unchanged.

The property owners who did not comply cleanup notices will have follow-up visits.

Moved by Opp and seconded by Brotherton to set fall cleanup week for Sept 10-14 with free hauling. All members present voted aye.

A letter from NW Energy stating that power delivery rates will be reduced for the next year by \$.165 per KW was read.

A request from landlords to increase our utility deposit was discussed and other

communities' deposits were reviewed. Moved by Hamilton and seconded by Anderson to raise the utility deposit to \$250 with a return of \$50 after 2 years of good credit. All members present voted aye.

A bill for setting poles for the Party in the Pasture was forgiven on a motion by Anderson and seconded by Brotherton. All members present voted aye.

A plat for Cooper's 1st Subdivision was reviewed and accepted on a motion by Anderson and seconded by Opp. All members present voted aye.

A replacement well for the golf course was requested. Mayor Olson reported that test wells could be drilled by Lenius Well Drilling of Britton for \$5 per foot. Moved by Hamilton and seconded by Anderson to drill two test wells. All members present voted aye.

Land, Water, Conservation Grant projects were discussed. Moved by Opp and seconded by Brotherton to pass the following resolution for applying for the full 50% of a \$25,000 playground unit for the park. All members present voted aye.

WHEREAS, the United States of America and the State of South Dakota have authorized the making of grants from the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) to public bodies to aid in financing the acquisition and/or construction of specific public outdoor recreation projects;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That Roy Olson is hereby authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of the City of Groton, Brown County with the National Park Service, U.S. Department of the Interior, through the State of South Dakota, Department of Game, Fish and Parks, Division of Parks and Recreation, for an LWCF grant to aid in financing Groton Park Playground Project for the City of Groton, Brown County, South Dakota and its Environs.

2. That Roy Olson, Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to furnish such information as the above mentioned federal and/or state agencies may reasonably request in connection with the application which is hereby authorized to be filed.

3. That the City of Groton, Brown County shall provide a minimum of 50% of the total cost of the project; and will assume all responsibility in the operation and maintenance of the project upon completion of construction, for the reasonable life expectancy of the facility.

4. That the City of Groton, Brown County shall dedicate for park and recreation purposes in perpetuity, the real property identified in the authorized application.

Discussion was held on the need to include the school with the soccer association for land use agreement on the soccer fields.

The Mud Creek Drainage Board was established and West Ditch cleaning project will proceed as soon as the matching funds for the James River Water Development District Grant are deposited with the City.

Proposals for street reconstruction for 2013-2017 were studied and debated.

The regular meeting of the City Council on August 20, 2012 will be moved to the Groton Community Center due to the public hearing on the Safe Route to Schools Project.

Meeting adjourned.

Roy L. Olson, Mayor

Anita Lowary, Finance Officer