

January 21, 2013

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at City Hall for their regular second monthly meeting with the following members present: Hamilton, Hanlon, Anderson, and Brotherton (by telephone), and Mayor Olson presiding. Heitmann and Opp were absent.

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

Moved by Brotherton and seconded by Hanlon to authorize the following bills for payment. All members present voted aye.

Cons Fed Cr Union	1,050.00	emp savings
First State Bank	6,826.21	ss & wh
Groton Chamber of Commerce	20.00	registration
AFLAC	705.05	emp ins
Avera Queen of Peace	51.40	drug test
Banyon Data Systems	2,385.00	comp support
Irene Belden	72.36	collection refund
Border States	468.00	anchors, meters
Buhl's	28.00	rug rent
Car Quest	58.64	filter, cleaner
Cole Papers	115.45	bags
Colonial Research	69.09	ice melt
Dakota Electronics	90.00	pager serv
Collin Gengerke	510.00	HWH sales inc
Groton CMA Church	62.23	Fam Cr motel
Guardian Ins	352.92	emp ins
Heartland Cons Power District	80,934.69	power
LaVonne Helmer	300.00	HWH sales inc
Ken's Food Fair	705.92	gas, supplies
McGannon Plumbing	658.20	HWH replacement
Main St Designs	399.21	lights
Olive Grove Golf Course	423.00	rent, bev
Bill Shilhanek	116.10	overpay refund
SD One Call	50.40	notifications
SD Supp Retirement	1,300.00	emp retire
Taser International	79.85	batteries
Wellmark Blue Cross/Blue Shield	10,315.99	ins
Wesco	270.76	uniforms
Western Area Power Adm	30,520.24	power

Street Supt Terry Herron presented a proposed 2013 chip/seal project. Moved by Hamilton and seconded by Anderson to set the bid opening date for February 19. All members present voted aye.

The garbage hauling contract will expire in April 2013. Discuss was held on whether to operate the pickup service by City personnel and the costs involved or bid the contract. Garbage hauling bids will be set for March.

Petitions to refer the 2013 Curb & Gutter Resolution of Necessity which were circulated by Ed Opp and Arlys Kluess were presented and accepted. Moved by Hamilton and seconded by Hanlon to set the special election for Feb 26, 2013. All members present voted aye.

Hanlon gave a report on progress on the West Ditch cleanup project.

Only one bid was received for the 2005 Tahoe sale. It was \$6,150 from Todd Krein. This was below the minimum bid of \$8,000. Moved by Anderson and seconded by Hamilton to refuse the bid and keep the vehicle until further notice. All members present voted aye.

Mayor Olson's reappointment of Jeff Steen to a 5 year term on the Planning and Zoning Commission was approved on a motion by Brotherton and seconded by Hanlon. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Hamilton and seconded by Anderson to authorize Councilman Hanlon to attend the workshop on Preventing Workplace Violence on Jan 24 in Aberdeen. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Hanlon and seconded by Brotherton to hold the second meeting in February on Feb 19 due to the Presidents Day holiday. All members present voted aye.

Council members Anderson, Opp, Hamilton, and Mayor Olson were reminded that election petitions could be taken out on Jan 25 until Feb 22 for 2 year Council terms or 3 year Mayor's term.

Nine tables from the Community Center were destroyed last year. The heavy duty tables would be \$170 each to replace. Council tabled any action until funds are available.

Moved by Anderson and seconded by Hanlon to return the \$11,950 to General sales tax rather than 2<sup>nd</sup> St Sewer Debt Service which will be paid by sewer funds. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Anderson and seconded by Hanlon to donate a Family Swimming Ticket to the American Legion as a prize for their Spring Fundraiser. All members present voted aye.

Discussion was held on how to present the request for better repairs to 12E from 6<sup>th</sup> St Railroad to US Hwy 12 at the Brown County Commission meeting on Jan 22.

Hanlon and Olson reported on the Groton Chamber annual meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

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Roy L. Olson, Mayor

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Anita Lowary, Finance Officer