

August 5, 2013

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, Muilenburg, Flihs, Opp, Heitmann, and President Hanlon presiding. Mayor Olson was absent. Also present were: Attorney Johnson, Finance Officer Lowary, Ian Rose, and representatives of the press.

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

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

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

Executive Payroll	319.40	salaries
Administrative Payroll	5,752.45	salaries
Public Safety Payroll	14,607.79	salaries
Public Works Payroll	19,828.95	salaries
Cultural & Recreational Payroll	20,414.49	salaries
First State Bank	9,709.97	ss & wh
City of Groton	761.24	dep refs, post, FamCr, bus util
Cons Fed Cr Union	2,275.00	emp savings
US Postal Service	197.75	postage
Tanner Waage	361.39	mileage
Dearborn Natl Life Ins	83.50	life ins
April Abeln	206.50	dep flex
SD Municipal League	10.00	handbook
Marian Anderson Estate	50.00	dep refund
Perry Blocker	50.00	dep refund
Shirlee Briggs	50.00	dep refund
Chris Curtis	131.71	dep refund
Dan Dalchow	50.00	dep refund
Sammy Decker	50.00	dep refund
Ron Falk	50.00	dep refund
Janice Flihs	50.00	dep refund
Jeff & Bridget Flihs	50.00	dep refund
Loren & Julie Flihs	50.00	dep refund
Mike & Tina Fordham	50.00	dep refund
William Gauer	50.00	dep refund
Shawn Gengerke	100.00	dep refund
Doug Jorgenson	50.00	dep refund
Chad Kampa	50.00	dep refund
Chris Khali	50.00	dep refund
Francis Klein	50.00	dep refund
Pat & Carol Knecht	50.00	dep refund
Cody Lindgren	50.00	dep refund
Jeff & Mary Long	50.00	dep refund
Eunice McColister	50.00	dep refund
Brett Merkel	50.00	dep refund
Desiree Morehouse	100.00	dep refunds
R & F Enterprises	50.00	dep refund
Hanlan Jr & Nancy Radke	25.00	dep refund
Bradley Sheridan	50.00	dep refund
Pat Sieh	50.00	dep refund
Alys Snyder Estate	50.00	dep refund
Doug & Mel Sombke	50.00	dep refund
Sue Spent	50.00	dep refund
Subway	50.00	dep refund
James Svendsen	50.00	dep refund

Todd & Deann Sweeter	100.00	dep refund
Gary & Judy Sweno	223.61	dep refund
Jay & Jonna Waage	50.00	dep refund
Jeremy & Sam Weber	50.00	dep refund
Wells Fargo Bank	100.00	dep refund
John & Chris Wheeting	50.00	dep refund
Jeremy & Jennifer Whitehouse	50.00	dep refund
Keith Wipf	100.00	dep refund
Alan Zoellner	50.00	dep refund
April Abeln	170.00	dep flex
Border States	2,389.40	materials
Chase Visa	1,606.09	dom, ink,pap, bk, ant, flts,trng
Clark Engineering	32,104.12	eng
Cole Paper	119.28	bags
Colonial Research Chemical	216.14	cleaner
Dakota Supply Group	570.55	materials
Darrel's	1,218.16	tires, rims
Duane's	2,971.92	gas, repairs
Ellwein Bros	5,503.95	beer
Fire Safety First	419.85	1st Aid, ext insp
Full Circle Ag	270.00	herbicide
Gall's	174.96	equip
Groton Ford	830.30	repairs
Groton Independent	68.60	publishing
Harry Imp	543.64	repairs
HD Supply Waterworks	1,106.60	materials
Heartland Waste	6,264.08	garbage haul
James Valley Tele	746.24	phone, internet
Johnson, Drew	800.00	legal serv
Robert Johnson Const	263,437.53	const
Johnson Bros	4,277.98	liquor
Kurth, Travis	928.54	mileage less ump fees
Lien Trans	2,857.89	hot mix
Lowary, Anita	54.86	mileage,reg fees
Mac's	39.80	ties
Mettler, Sichmiller Eng	125.00	eng
NW Energy	851.83	nat gas
Pepsi Cola	644.80	pop
Porter Dist Co	2,221.65	beer
Red Horse Inn	65.00	Fam Cr room
Republic National Dist Co	6,261.46	liquor
Resco	52.77	materials
Runnings	141.72	chains, repairs
S&S Lumber	673.89	supplies
SD Dept of Health	289.00	testing
SD Retirement	7,694.88	retirement
SD State Treasurer	8,281.59	sales tax
State Industrial Products	313.02	weed killer
Topkote, Inc	93,605.20	resurfacing
Van Diest Supply	2,161.50	insecticide, herbicide
Walmart	47.54	cleaners
WEB Water	11,401.93	water
Wesco	457.85	materials

Swimming Pool Managers Kami Lipp and Brenda Madsen, Public Works Supt Terry Herron and Brian Bahr entered the meeting at this point.

A change order for Robert Johnson Construction for \$6,134.96 for increased asphalt and seal quantities was approved on a motion by Heitmann and seconded by Brotherton. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Brotherton and seconded by Opp to move \$300,000 Electric Fund cash fund

balance to General Fund as a budgeted transfer. All members present voted aye.

Public Works Supt Terry Herron gave updates on the construction projects.

At 7:15pm the only bid on the surplus land for sale was opened and read aloud: Ian Rose \$4,587.00. Moved by Heitmann and seconded by Brotherton to accept this amount and prepare the deed for transfer of the property (Original Plat, Block 11, Lot 27). All members present voted aye. Mr. Rose left the meeting.

At 7:20pm Brian Bahr addressed the Council regarding the low volume of water at the new Paetznick Garness Funeral Chapel which prevented the irrigation system from operating properly and reduced other water uses. He proposed the replacing the service line from the water main to the shutoff by boring in poly pipe instead of copper due to the large cost difference. Because this would require an ordinance change, his proposal to use poly pipe was denied. Copper will be required for the new service line. Mr. Bahr left the meeting.

Pool managers Lipp and Madsen presented a reduced hours schedule which would take effect during Brown County Fair week and during school. Moved by Opp and seconded by Muilenburg to approve the new hours. All members present voted aye. Cuts from the surface at the bottom of the pool were discussed. A request the waiver of a fee for a fund raiser was discussed. Moved by Muilenburg and seconded by Opp to allow the Alzheimer's event by Golden Living Center to be held at the swimming pool without any fees. All members present voted aye. Mrs Lipp and Mrs Madsen and Mr. Herron left the meeting

The results of the tree survey showed that 59% of the trees on public property were green ash. Other varieties will be requested in future grants.

Lowary reported on the Heartland summer conference she attended in Madison. Economic development, retention of the youth in a community, EPA regulations on coal fired generators were the topics discussed.

Moved by Brotherton and seconded by Flieds to pass the following resolution supporting Anita Lowary as candidate for the SD Public Assurance Alliance Board of Directors. All members present voted aye.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 13-85

WHEREAS, the SD Public Assurance Alliance has requested that a member be nominated to their Board to act as a representative on behalf of the City of Groton;

BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Groton hereby nominates Anita Lowary to serve on the SD Public Assurance Alliance Board on behalf of the City of Groton.

A request from the American Legion to allow the lease of a bus with insurance for the Legion baseball team in the 2014 season was granted on a motion by Opp and seconded by Muilenburg. All members present voted aye.

An interest rate of 3.45% from 1st State Bank of Groton was accepted for the 2013 curb & gutter special assessment bond on a motion by Heitmann and seconded by Opp. All members present voted aye.

The budget for 2014 was introduced and discussed.

Council adjourned into executive session for legal matters at 9:02pm on a motion by Opp and seconded by Muilenburg. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened in open session at 9:21pm.

Opp urged more cleanup and mowing letters be sent.

Meeting adjourned.

Scott Hanlon, President

Anita Lowary, Finance Officer