

December 1, 2014

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: Flihs, McGannon, Muilenburg, Glover, Blackmun, Opp and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were: Attorney Drew Johnson, Shawn Lambertz, Finance Officer Lowary and a representative from the press.

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

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

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

Executive Payroll	653.39	salaries
Administrative Payroll	5,986.74	salaries
Public Safety Payroll	13,294.79	salaries
Public Works Payroll	13,995.94	salaries
Cultural & Recreational Payroll	165.88	salaries
First State Bank	7,016.72	ss & wh
City of Groton	110.48	dep refunds, postage
Cons Fed Cr Union	1,125.00	emp savings
US Post Office	207.42	postage
Andy Fonken	13.20	dep refund
Dustin Wiseman	250.00	dep refund
Paul Kosel	309.20	med flex
Paul Kosel	454.66	phone, dep refund, travel
Groton Chamber of Commerce	350.00	emp bonuses
SD Municipal League	25.00	school reg
1st State Bank	14,922.13	c&g 2013 loan
A&B Business Solutions	294.00	ink
Business Forms & Accounting	673.49	forms
Chase Visa	804.13	motel, post, bks, clutch, batt
Clark Engineering	262.50	engineering
Duanes	1,523.57	gas, dsl, oil
Farmers Union Coop	2,412.50	dsl
Galls	308.93	uniforms
Groton Independent	136.11	publishing
Heartland Waste	6,135.96	garbage hauling
Jacobson Electric	698.18	heater
James Valley Telecomm	728.23	phone & internet
Johnson, Drew	1,375.00	legal services
Krueger Brothers	7,596.47	gravel
NW Energy	10.00	nat gas
Runnings	100.97	chains, pesticide
SD Dept of Health	413.00	testing
SD Retirement	7,835.08	retirement
Verizon Wireless	41.61	gate comm
WEB Water	10,104.59	water
Wesco	614.00	light

An update on recertifying the airport was given by Lowary

Terry Herron, Public Works Supt, enters the meeting at this point.

Moved by Glover and seconded by Flihs to authorize the following attendance at schools: Terry Herron and Dwight Zerr to Midwest Assistance Program Water School in Sisseton on Dec 16; Mayor Hanlon to WEB Water annual meeting in Aberdeen on Dec 6; Anita Lowary, Mayor Hanlon, and David Blackmun to DOT Hwy 37 meeting in Groton

on Dec 4; Anita Lowary and Shawn Lambertz to Heartland Consumer Power District safety meeting in Flandreau on Dec 16; Shawn Lambertz to JUT school in Sioux Falls on Jan 20-22, 2015. All members present voted aye.

At 7:15pm no one appeared at the hearing to renew the liquor licenses. Moved by McGannon and seconded by Flihs to renew the following licenses. All members present voted aye.

City of Groton-On-Sale Retail Liquor(Red Horse Inn, Rest. & Lounge)-Youngs Outlot 1

City of Groton - On-Sale Retail Liquor (American Legion)-Orig.Plat, Bk 11, Lots 22-25

City of Groton- On-Sale Retail Liquor (Jungle Lounge)- Orig.Plat, Bk 5, Lots 11,12,&13

City of Groton - On-Sale Retail Liquor (Olive Grove Golf Course) - Land bounded on the

East by US Hwy 12, on the South by Railroad Ave.(Brown County Road E12), on the

West by the Chicago & Northwestern RR grounds, and on the North by E 5th Ave.,

Section 19, Township 123, Range 60W

City of Groton-Off-Sale Package Liquor(American Legion)-Orig.Plat, Bk 11, Lots 22-25

City of Groton-Off-Sale Package Liquor(Jungle Lounge)-Orig.Plat, Bk 5, Lots 11,12,&13

City of Groton-Off-Sale Package Liquor (Ken's Food Fair)- Fiedler&Rix 1st Subdiv Lot1

City of Groton-On & Off Sale Retail Wine (Olde Bank Floral N More)-Orig Plat, Bk 6,

Lots7&8

1st Reading was given to Ordinance No. 701, The 2014 Supplemental Appropriation Ordinance on a motion by Glover and seconded by Muilenburg. All members present voted aye.

At 7:30pm Marc & Fran Sippel, Kari Bartling, and Darin Stange came before the Council to complaint about the trimming of boulevard trees. Kari Bartling stated that city ordinance requires the City Council to authorize any trimming and property owners are expected to maintain the boulevards. Her clients, Marc & Fran Sippel, did not receive any notice of the trimming and now the trees were damaged. Bartling, Stange and the Sippels left the meeting.

At 8pm the 2014 Special Assessment Roll hearing was continued with Ken Heier and Don Weigel of Clark Engineering and Stan Monson, Jr. in attendance. Monson did not agree with the charges for his approach pavement. Weigel & Heier explained the conversations they had with Monson and the history of the approach pavements in the curb & gutter projects. Monson left the meeting. Moved by Blackmun and seconded by Opp to accept the 2014 Special Assessment Roll Resolution. All members present voted aye.

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR THE 2014 CURB AND GUTTER PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Groton City Council deemed it necessary to install curb and gutter on certain streets within the municipality, and

WHEREAS, the City Council has provided that said assessments shall be payable in 10 installments, payable under Plan 1, "Collection by the Municipal Finance Officer, and

WHEREAS, the City Council has set the interest rate at 4.75 % commencing 30 days from and after the date of approval of this resolution and certification of the assessment roll by the municipal Finance Officer, and

WHEREAS, the whole of such assessment or any installment thereof may be paid at any time and that all installments paid prior to their respective due dates shall be deemed paid in inverse order of their due dates, now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Groton, South Dakota does hereby approve the Special Assessment Roll for the 2014 Curb and Gutter Project.

Justin Olson enters the meeting at this point.

Weigel and Heier discussed the 2015 street reconstruction project. Using alternatives or change orders or separate contracts are available to help reduce costs. Moved by Blackmun and seconded by Glover to authorize Mayor Hanlon to sign the \$45,000 contract for the engineering services for the completed project. All members present voted aye. Weigel & Heier left the meeting.

Moved by Flihs and seconded by Muilenburg to transfer \$46,360.06 from General Fund to Curb & Gutter Construction Fund; \$200,000 from Electric Fund to General Fund; and \$50,000 from Sewer Fund to General Fund. All members present voted aye.

Attorney Johnson reported on his letter to Jim and Linda Stearns and Lowary reported on the telephone conversation she had Sunday evening with Jim Stearns. Council directed Attorney Johnson to proceed with the condemnation of their property at 105 W 3rd Ave.

At 9:08pm the Council adjourned into executive session to discuss personnel on a motion by Glover and seconded by Opp. All members present voted aye. Justin Olson left the meeting after his presentation during this time. At 9:43pm Council reconvened into regular session.

Moved by Glover and seconded by Opp to hire the following persons: Skating Manager: Justin Olson at \$8.25/hr until Jan 1, then \$9.00/hr; Warming House Attendants: Logan Lane, Joe Groblinghoff, Carter Jondahl, Haley Unzen, and Jamie Krueger at \$7.50/hr until Jan 1, then \$8.50/hr; Katie LaMee at \$7.25/hr until Jan1, then \$8.50/hr.

Meeting adjourned.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Anita Lowary, Finance Officer