

December 15, 2014

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

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

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

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| First State Bank | 1.95 | fees |
| First State Bank | 6,870.28 | ss & wh |
| Consolidated Fed Cr Union | 1,100.00 | emp savings |
| SD State Treasurer | 5,525.47 | sales tax |
| JUTS | 200.00 | school reg |
| 1st National Bank | 9,604.27 | lagoon loan |
| April Abeln | 24.00 | med flex |
| AFLAC | 906.52 | emp ins |
| Blocker Construction | 812.67 | wellhouse const |
| BNSF-Railroad Management Co | 956.46 | space rent |
| Buhls | 30.50 | rug rent |
| Car Quest | 73.86 | filters, belts |
| City of Groton | 325.91 | postage, util, sav |
| Dakota Supply Company | 19.80 | materials |
| Dakota Tree Co | 975.00 | move trees |
| Dearborn National | 90.50 | life ins |
| Digital Ally | 100.00 | batteries |
| Fire Safety First | 41.80 | supplies |
| Gall's | 50.97 | uniform |
| Groton Independent | 132.99 | publishing |
| Guardian Ins | 216.76 | emp ins |
| Scott Hanlon | 23.52 | mileage |
| Heartland Cons Power District | 68,274.47 | power |
| Ken's Food Fair | 604.49 | gas, supplies |
| Lori's | 3.99 | battery |
| Anita Lowary | 8.35 | candy |
| NW Energy | 3,957.85 | power delivery |
| Olde Bank Floral N More | 65.00 | plants |
| RDO-John Deere Cr | 375.82 | edges |
| S & S Lumber | 182.60 | tools, supplies |
| SD Assoc of Code Enforcement | 40.00 | dues |
| SD Assoc of Rural Water Systems | 475.00 | dues |
| SD Govt Fin Officer Assoc | 70.00 | dues |
| SD Govt Human Resource Assoc | 25.00 | dues |
| SD Minicipal Electric Assoc | 1,215.00 | dues |
| SD Municipal League | 1,255.66 | dues |
| SD Mun Street Maintenance Assoc | 35.00 | dues |
| SD Police Chief's Assoc | 97.04 | dues |
| SD Supplement Retirement | 4,800.00 | emp retirement |
| SD Workers Comp Fund | 17,876.00 | premium |
| Wellmark Blue Cross/Blue Shield | 13,288.99 | health ins |
| Western Area Power Adm | 27,097.08 | power |

Department reports were given. Council requested department reports to be given at both monthly meetings and include future plans and projects. Department heads will also come to Council on the second meeting of each month.

At 7:15pm Jeff Amdahl came before the Council to request the transfer of the Malt Beverage License from Duane McDonald to MJ Enterprises as they will be the new owners as of Jan 2, 2015. Moved by Opp and seconded by Flihs to grant this transfer of the malt beverage license at 105 E Hwy 12, Groton, SD. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Flihs and seconded by Opp to again sponsor the prizes of electric utility credit for the holiday lighting contest. All members present voted aye.

A letter was read that informed the Council that the LWC grant for the baseball playground equipment has been denied by SD Dept of Game Fish and Parks.

Moved by Muilenburg and seconded by Blackmun to authorize Mayor Hanlon to sign the 2015 Joint Powers Agreement with NECOG. All members present voted aye.

Lowary reported that the proposed power line would not be within the Groton City Planning District or in the airport area of concern.

Discussion was held on suspending the Red Dragon Saloon Malt Beverage License. Notice will be given to owner, Tim Thurston, that a public hearing will be held Jan 5 at 7:30pm on this action.

Value for the land at the jail site was discussed. Moved by McGannon and seconded by Glover to rescind the motion declaring the jail and land surplus. Members voting aye were: McGannon, Glover, Flihs, Muilenburg, and Blackmun. Opp voted nay. Motion carried.

Mayor Hanlon and Councilman Blackmun gave an update on the 2016 Hwy 37 reconstruction project.

Lowary reported on reduced 2014 revenue and increased 2014 expenses. Moved by Blackmun and seconded by Muilenburg to give 2nd Reading to Ordinance 701, The 2014 Supplemental Appropriation Ordinance. All members present voted aye.

Mayor Hanlon leaves the meeting at this point and McGannon assumes the chairmanship.

2015 gravel supply bids received were opened and read aloud.

Krueger Brothers - \$16.74 per yd

Hanlon Brothers - \$17.00 per yd

Moved by Muilenburg and seconded by Blackmun to accept low bid from Krueger Brothers for the 2015 gravel supply. All members present voted aye.

Mayor Hanlon reenters the meeting and assumes the chairmanship.

Skating hours and policies were discussed and updated.

Attorney Johnson reported on the progress of condemning the Jim Stearns property at 105 W 3rd Ave.

Council members were reminded of the Legislative Day in Pierre on Feb 3-4.

At 8:27pm the Council adjourned into executive session to discuss legal matters on a motion by Opp and seconded by Blackmun. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 8:50pm.

Meeting adjourned.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Anita Lowary, Finance Officer