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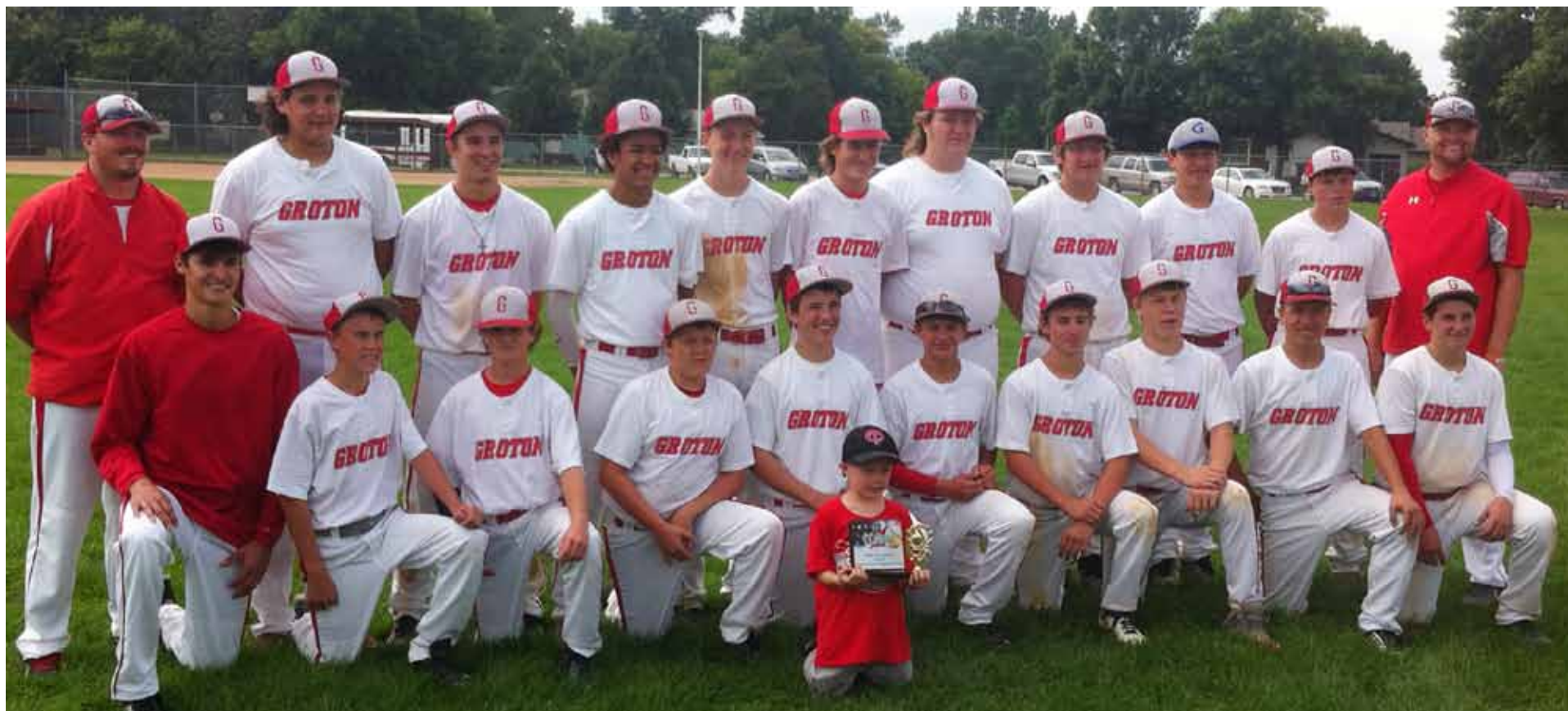
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## Teeners are state consolation champions

Groton lost a heartbreaker to Volga in the first game, but came back to beat Chancellor and then Madison in the State A VFW Teener Tournament held this past weekend in Volga. Pictured in back, left to right, are Coach Pat Krause, Aaron Severson, Adam Herman, Bennett Shabazz, Sean Schuring, Truttitt Rogers, Joe Groeblichhoff, Brady Keith, Luke Thorson, Turner Webb, Coach Justin Hanson; Front row left to right: Coach Gabe Dohman, Treyton Diegel, Anthony Sippel, Wyatt Locke, Marshall Lane, Korbin Blackmun, Trevor Pray, Kelby Hawkins, Jackson Oliver, Brandon Keith. Holding trophy is Bat Boy Lincoln Krause. Results can be found on pages 2 and 3. (Courtesy Photo)



## Soccer players are on championship team

Several Groton boys soccer players competed on the GFC soccer team which won the U19 boys championship in the Brookings Fishback Classic Soccer Tournament on July 18-20. The team won games against O'Neill, Nebraska (win 9-0), Yankton (win 3-2), and Dakota Alliance Soccer Club (won 7-1) before meeting Yankton again in the championship (won 1-0). Groton High School players on the team were (left to right): James Thompson, Wyatt Kurtz, Tyler Scott, Landon Larson and Luke Sternhagen. (Courtesy Photo)



## Breck returns to play fiddle at Trinity


Betty Breck will be bringing her fiddle and musical talents back to the Groton historic Trinity Church in Groton. Breck will play several hymns which the congregation can sing along with and will talk about the history of her fiddle. Breck will be playing at the August 17th service at 5 p.m. at Trinity, located at Third Street and Third Avenue. If you would like to be reminded of the service, text Paul at 605-397-7460 to get on the reminder list. A reminder text of the service will be sent at 4 p.m. on Sunday. There will also be a short message by Paul Kosel, minister of the church, entitled, "Jesus welcomes everyone." The tax-deductible offering collected will be given to the Brown County Historical Society to help with expenses of the church building.

Services are held at Trinity each Sunday at 5 p.m.

For more information on the history of the church building, go to <http://www.grotonsd.gov/trinityepiscopalchurch.html>. The church was built in 1884 and was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1983.

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## Groton Teeners makes the most of 5 hits in 8-4 victory over Madison

Groton Teeners and Madison each put runners in scoring position on Sunday, but Groton Teeners capitalized on more RBI opportunities, pulling out an 8-4 win at Volga.

Madison out-hit Groton Teeners six to five, but Madison stranded seven runners on base.

Brady Keith got on base three times in the game for Groton Teeners. He scored two runs and had one RBI. He singled in the fifth inning.

Turner Webb recorded the win for Groton Teeners. He allowed two runs over five innings. Webb struck out one, walked two and gave up three hits.

Hunter Jamison was the game's losing pitcher. He allowed six runs in 2 1/3 innings, walked four and struck out none.

The game was never in doubt after the first, as Groton Teeners scored two runs on an error and a groundout by Adam Herman.

After pushing across one run in the bottom of the second, Madison faced just a 2-1 deficit. A steal of home by Tyler DenHoed triggered Madison's comeback. But, Webb got Jamison to fly out to end the inning.

Groton Teeners tacked on another four runs in the third. A error scored Trevor Pray for the inning's first run.

A one-run fourth inning helped bring Madison within four. A sacrifice fly by Jakob Poppens set off Madison rally. Finally, Webb induced an inning-ending ground out from Jamison.

Groton Teeners got one-run rallies in the fifth inning and the sixth. In the fifth, Groton Teeners scored on an error, bringing home Keith.

Two runs in the bottom of the seventh helped Madison close its deficit to 8-4. An RBI single by Tanner Burg and an RBI double by Mitch Hansen fueled Madison's comeback. Marshall Lane ended the game by getting DenHoed to fly out.

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
<b>GRT</b>	2	0	4	0	1	1	0	8	5	2
<b>MDS</b>	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	4	6	8

Groton Teeners [more stats](#)

Batting	AB	R	1B	H	RBI	BB	K
<a href="#">Brandon Keith</a>	3	1	0	0	0	1	1
<a href="#">Joe Groeblichhoff</a>	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
<a href="#">Trevor Pray</a>	4	2	2	2	0	0	1
<a href="#">Adam Herman</a>	4	0	1	1	1	0	0
<a href="#">Bennett Shabazz</a>	3	2	0	0	1	0	0
<a href="#">Sean Schuring</a>	3	1	0	0	0	1	1
<a href="#">Kelby Hawkins</a>	4	0	0	0	1	0	1
<a href="#">Brady Keith</a>	2	2	1	1	1	2	1
<a href="#">Turner Webb</a>	2	0	1	1	1	0	0
<a href="#">Marshall Lane</a>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
<a href="#">Jackson Oliver</a>	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
<a href="#">Truitt Rogers</a>	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>

Batting

**TB:** Trevor Pray 2, Turner Webb, Adam Herman, Brady Keith  
**RBI:** Kelby Hawkins, Bennett Shabazz, Turner Webb, Adam Herman, Brady Keith  
**SAC:** Turner Webb  
**ROE:** Trevor Pray, Kelby Hawkins, Bennett Shabazz 2, Turner Webb, Sean Schuring  
**FC:** Kelby Hawkins, Jackson Oliver  
**HBP:** Bennett Shabazz, Jackson Oliver  
**GIDP:** Adam Herman  
**SB:** Trevor Pray, Bennett Shabazz 2, Adam Herman

Pitching	IP	#P	TB	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	S%
<a href="#">Turner Webb</a>	5.0	66	30	3	2	1	2	1	0	.545
<a href="#">Marshall Lane</a>	2.0	34	11	3	2	2	0	2	0	.676
<b>Totals</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.590</b>

Pitching

**W:** Turner Webb  
**HBP:** Marshall Lane, Turner Webb  
**Pitches-Strikes:** Marshall Lane 34-23, Turner Webb 66-36  
**Groundouts-Flyouts:** Marshall Lane 2-2, Turner Webb 5-8  
**First pitch strikes-Batters faced:** Marshall Lane 4-10, Turner Webb 7-22

## Groton Teeners outlast Chancellor in high-scoring affair, 15-11

Fans were treated to a high-scoring affair Saturday as Groton Teeners outscored Chancellor 15-11 in seven innings.

The teams totaled 16 hits in the game.

The teams traded runs for most of the contest, leading to seven lead changes in the game.

Groton Teeners finally managed to grab the lead after a strong fifth inning. Groton Teeners scored on a two-run single by Brandon Keith off Devon Jougeling, plating Brady Keith and Marshall Lane.

Bennett Shabazz got a hit in each of his three at bats. He singled in the second, third, and fourth innings.

Trevor Pray, Shabazz, Keith and Sean Schuring helped lead Groton Teeners. They combined for six hits and seven RBIs.

The top of the first saw Chancellor take an early lead, 1-0. Chancellor's threat began with a single by Prince Plucker.

Chancellor got three-run rallies in the second inning and the fifth. In the second, Chancellor scored on an RBI double by Bailey Luden, plating Preston Lantoes.

Groton Teeners didn't give up the lead after the fifth inning. Additional runs came from three singles.

Four runs in the top of the seventh helped Chancellor close its deficit to 15-11. A two-run home run by Nick Kaul and gave Chancellor life. The game went final when Cody Knock.

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
<b>CHN</b>	1	3	0	0	3	0	4	11	8	0
<b>GRT</b>	0	1	2	3	9	0		15	8	3

Batting	AB	R	1B	H	RBI	BB	K
<a href="#">Brandon Keith</a>	4	2	2	2	2	1	0
<a href="#">Trevor Pray</a>	2	3	0	0	0	1	0
<a href="#">Adam Herman</a>	4	1	1	1	2	1	1
<a href="#">Bennett Shabazz</a>	3	3	3	3	2	0	0
<a href="#">Sean Schuring</a>	3	2	1	1	3	0	1
<a href="#">Kelby Hawkins</a>	3	0	0	0	0	0	1
<a href="#">Brady Keith</a>	3	1	1	1	2	1	1
<a href="#">Marshall Lane</a>	1	2	0	0	0	3	1
<a href="#">Jackson Oliver</a>	2	1	0	0	1	2	2
<b>Totals</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>7</b>

Batting

**TB:** Bennett Shabazz 3, Brandon Keith 2, Sean Schuring, Adam Herman, Brady Keith  
**RBI:** Bennett Shabazz 2, Brandon Keith 2, Jackson Oliver, Sean Schuring 3, Adam Herman 2, Brady Keith 2  
**SAC:** Kelby Hawkins  
**ROE:** Sean Schuring  
**FC:** Trevor Pray, Brady Keith  
**HBP:** Trevor Pray 2, Bennett Shabazz, Sean Schuring  
**SB:** Trevor Pray, Bennett Shabazz 2, Marshall Lane

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Pitching	IP	#P	TB	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	S%
<a href="#">Bennett Shabazz</a>	5.0	106	43	5	7	1	3	8	0	.594
<a href="#">Turner Webb</a>	2.0	32	13	3	4	2	0	0	1	.594
<b>Totals</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>.594</b>

Pitching	IP	#P	TB	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	S%
<a href="#">Trevor Pray</a>	4.1	93	32	9	7	4	1	2	1	.656
<a href="#">Bennett Shabazz</a>	1.2	25	7	0	0	0	0	3	0	.720
<b>Totals</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>.669</b>

Pitching  
**HBP:** Bennett Shabazz, Turner Webb  
**WP:** Bennett Shabazz  
**Pitches-Strikes:** Bennett Shabazz 106-63, Turner Webb 32-19  
**Groundouts-Flyouts:** Bennett Shabazz 1-6, Turner Webb 3-3  
**First pitch strikes-Batters faced:** Bennett Shabazz 10-25, Turner Webb 7-10

## Amateurs

### Tabor Bluebirds seize victory thanks to late single, drop Groton Locke Electric 7-6

Tabor Bluebirds and Groton Locke Electric traded the lead 11 times on Sunday, but Tabor Bluebirds ended up on top with a 7-6 win over Groton Locke Electric.

Tabor Bluebirds finally managed to grab the lead after a strong ninth inning. Tabor Bluebirds scored on an RBI single by Chris Sutera off Justin Link, bringing home Jason Humpal. An RBI single by Chris Sutera scored Jason Humpal to give Tabor Bluebirds the lead for good.

Jason Humpal led Tabor Bluebirds' offensive threat, as he got on base three times in the game. He scored two runs and had one RBI. He singled in the fifth inning.

Rob Keppen got the win for Tabor Bluebirds. He allowed two runs over four innings. He struck out two, walked two and surrendered two hits.

Justin Link was the game's losing pitcher. He lasted just four innings, walked two, struck out three, and allowed three runs.

The top of the first saw Tabor Bluebirds take an early lead, 1-0. Tabor Bluebirds' threat began with a single by Doug Vanacek. Rob Keppen singled, scoring Nate Kloucek.

Groton Locke Electric scored two runs in the fourth inning, and then followed it up with two more in the eighth. In the fourth, Groton Locke Electric scored on an RBI single by Mitchell Locke, bringing home Zach Harry.

The lead was Tabor Bluebirds' to lose after ninth inning. More runs came home on an error.

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### Groton Teeners get on top of Volga early but can't hang on in 7-6 loss

Groton Teeners built an early edge on Friday, but Volga roared back to steal a 7-6 victory at Volga.

While Groton Teeners led until the fifth inning, Volga worked its way back and took the lead.

Groton Teeners' Turner Webb was perfect at the dish, going 2-2. He singled in the third and fifth innings.

Bennett Shabazz was in control on the bump. Shabazz held Volga hitless over 1 2/3 innings, allowed no earned runs, walked none and struck out three.

Volga's Brock Swartos, Cole Gross and Collin Vanderwall combined for six hits and four RBIs.

Groton Teeners jumped out to an early 6-0 lead in the top of the first. Groton Teeners' rally started when Trevor Pray singled. Groton Teeners then tacked on more runs when Pray scored on an RBI single by Shabazz, Herman scored on an error, Shabazz scored on an RBI single by Sean Schuring, Schuring scored on a walk by Jackson Oliver, and Hawkins scored on a walk by Brandon Keith.

Volga never surrendered the lead after the fifth inning, scoring four runs on a solo home run by Swartos and a two-run single by Collin Vanderwall.

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
<b>GRT</b>	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	8	4
<b>VLG</b>	0	1	2	0	4	0		7	9	3

Batting	AB	R	1B	H	RBI	BB	K
<a href="#">Brandon Keith</a>	1	1	0	0	1	2	0
<a href="#">Trevor Pray</a>	4	1	1	1	0	1	1
<a href="#">Adam Herman</a>	4	1	0	0	0	1	1
<a href="#">Bennett Shabazz</a>	5	1	1	1	1	0	1
<a href="#">Sean Schuring</a>	4	1	2	2	1	1	1
<a href="#">Kelby Hawkins</a>	2	1	0	0	0	2	1
<a href="#">Brady Keith</a>	4	0	1	1	0	0	0
<a href="#">Turner Webb</a>	2	0	2	2	0	2	0
<a href="#">Jackson Oliver</a>	3	0	1	1	1	1	2
<a href="#">Marshall Lane</a>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7</b>

Batting  
**TB:** Trevor Pray, Bennett Shabazz, Turner Webb 2, Jackson Oliver, Sean Schuring 2, Brady Keith  
**RBI:** Bennett Shabazz, Brandon Keith, Jackson Oliver, Sean Schuring  
**SAC:** Brandon Keith  
**ROE:** Adam Herman  
**FC:** Brandon Keith, Adam Herman  
**HBP:** Brandon Keith

### Groton Locke Electric [more stats](#)

Batting	AB	R	1B	H	RBI	BB	K
<a href="#">Ryan Delzer</a>	4	1	1	1	1	0	1
<a href="#">Spencer Locke</a>	4	0	0	0	0	1	0
<a href="#">Tyler Oliver</a>	5	1	2	2	0	0	0
<a href="#">Mitchell Locke</a>	5	0	2	2	1	0	0
<a href="#">Matt Erickson</a>	3	0	1	1	1	0	0
<a href="#">Jamie Jorgenson</a>	2	1	1	1	0	2	0
<a href="#">Jeff Tobin</a>	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
<a href="#">Zach Harry</a>	5	1	0	1	0	0	0
<a href="#">Tim Hanigan</a>	5	0	1	1	1	0	1
<a href="#">Heath Giedt</a>	3	0	1	1	1	1	1
<a href="#">Drew Amacher</a>	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>

Batting  
**2B:** Zach Harry  
**TB:** Ryan Delzer, Tyler Oliver 2, Mitchell Locke 2, Matt Erickson, Jamie Jorgenson, Zach Harry 2, Tim Hanigan, Heath Giedt  
**RBI:** Ryan Delzer, Mitchell Locke, Matt Erickson, Tim Hanigan, Heath Giedt  
**SF:** Matt Erickson, Heath Giedt  
**ROE:** Ryan Delzer, Tyler Oliver, Mitchell Locke  
**FC:** Spencer Locke 2, Tim Hanigan  
**HBP:** Jamie Jorgenson  
**GIDP:** Heath Giedt  
**SB:** Jamie Jorgenson

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E
TBRL	1	0	0	0	3	0	1	0	2	7	8	4
GRTN	0	1	0	2	0	1	0	2	0	6	10	4

Pitching	IP	#P	TB	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	S%
Justin Link	4.0	70	29	3	3	1	2	3	0	.586
Parker Rossow	5.0	99	42	5	4	2	4	6	0	.576
Totals	9.0	169	71	8	7	3	6	9	0	.580

Pitching

**L:** Justin Link  
**HBP:** Justin Link, Parker Rossow  
**WP:** Parker Rossow 2  
**Pitches-Strikes:** Justin Link 70-41, Parker Rossow 99-57  
**Groundouts-Flyouts:** Justin Link 3-4, Parker Rossow 2-6  
**First pitch strikes-Batters faced:** Justin Link 9-19, Parker Rossow 17-26

## Great pitching leads Locke Electric past Winner/Colome Pheasants 5-1

An ace performance by Jamie Jorgenson led Groton Locke Electric to a 5-1 win over Winner/Colome Pheasants on Wednesday at Mitchell.

Jamie Jorgenson worked out of five difficult moments for Groton Locke Electric. He pitched nine innings and allowed one earned run on five hits. Jamie Jorgenson faced his most difficult moment in the seventh inning.

A bright spot for Winner/Colome Pheasants in the defeat was Derek Graesser, who allowed only zero runs while striking out five.

John Farner was the game's losing pitcher. He lasted just 7 1/3 innings, walked six, struck out four, and allowed five runs.

The game was never in doubt after the second, as Groton Locke Electric scored one run on a sacrifice fly by Matt Erickson.

Groton Locke Electric increased its lead with four runs in the eighth. A scored Zach Harry to start the scoring in the inning.

The ninth inning saw Winner/Colome Pheasants score its only run on the day on an RBI single by Ryan Risse.

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E
GRTN	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	5	8	1
WNRC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	5	1

## Groton Locke Electric [more stats](#)

Batting	AB	R	1B	H	RBI	BB	K
Ryan Delzer	3	1	1	1	1	0	1
Spencer Locke	5	0	1	1	2	0	0
Tyler Oliver	5	1	1	2	0	0	1
Mitchell Locke	3	1	1	1	0	2	0
Matt Erickson	2	1	0	0	1	1	0
Jamie Jorgenson	4	0	0	0	0	1	2
Zach Harry	4	1	1	1	0	1	2
Tim Hanigan	4	0	1	1	0	1	1
Heath Giedt	5	0	1	1	0	0	2
Totals	35	5	7	8	4	6	9

Batting

**2B:** Tyler Oliver  
**TB:** Ryan Delzer, Spencer Locke, Tyler Oliver 3, Mitchell Locke, Zach Harry, Tim Hanigan, Heath Giedt  
**RBI:** Ryan Delzer, Spencer Locke 2, Matt Erickson  
**SF:** Matt Erickson  
**ROE:** Spencer Locke, Tim Hanigan  
**FC:** Spencer Locke, Matt Erickson 2, Heath Giedt  
**HBP:** Ryan Delzer  
**GIDP:** Heath Giedt

## Groton Locke Electric [more stats](#)

Pitching	IP	#P	TB	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	S%
Jamie Jorgenson	9.0	152	57	5	1	1	3	13	0	.625
Totals	9.0	152	57	5	1	1	3	13	0	.625

Pitching

**W:** Jamie Jorgenson  
**WP:** Jamie Jorgenson  
**Pitches-Strikes:** Jamie Jorgenson 152-95  
**Groundouts-Flyouts:** Jamie Jorgenson 5-8  
**First pitch strikes-Batters faced:** Jamie Jorgenson 26-36

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## Groton Golf Carts celebrates 25th anniversary with tourney

Groton Golf Carts, owned by Steve and Betty Dunker, celebrated 25 years of business on Sunday with a golf tournament at the Olive Grove Golf Course. Randy and Sue Stanley and Rod and Arlys Kluess were the winners of their respective flights.

The tournament offered the players three different formats of play. Scramble – where both members tee off, pick the best shot and both hit from the there, and so on until completing the hole. Best Ball – where team members played their onw ball on every hole and take the lowest score of the two, and Chapman Scotch – where both members tee off but on the second shot they switch balls and hit their partners ball. After the second shot they could decide which ball they wanted to use and alternate shots until completing the hole.

Several pin prizes were awarded following the tournament. Hole #3 was designated for the longest drive for women and was won by Nancy Gilchrist. Jan Gilchrist won the longest drive for the men on hole #5. The longest putt was done on hole #6 and was won by Jarod Flihs. Jan Gilchrist also took home the closest to the pin on hole #8 for the men and Tasha Dunker won for the women. Hole #4 had been designated as the "Hole in One" prize. Anyone making a hole in one on #4 would win the use of a brand new golf cart for one year. No one was able to claim the prize.

-Char Telkamp

### Championship Flight:

Randy and Sue Stanley, 38  
Brad and Brenda Waage, 38  
Jarod and Kristie Flihs, 39  
Scott Ellingson and Sharon Zastrow, 41  
Jan and Nancy Gilchrist, 41  
Craig and Tasha Dunker, 42

### First Flight:

Rod and Arlys Kluess, 44  
Lorin and Julie Flihs, 45  
Torre and Denice Raap, 48  
Terry Ellingson and Joyce Wilson, 48  
Kent Muller and Darcy Dunker, 48  
Steve and Betty Dunker, 48



**Randy and Sue Stanley were the winners of the championship flight in the first Groton Golf Carts Golf Tournament on Sunday. Brad and Brenda Waage finished in second place after the tie breaker.** (Photo #8897 by Char Telkamp)



**Rod and Arlys Kluess had a one stroke advantage to win the First Flight of the Groton Golf Carts Golf Tournament on Sunday over Julie and Lorin Flihs, who finished in second place.** (Photo #8899 by Char Telkamp)

## Kruegers celebrate 60th Anniversary



Lyle and Lois Krueger will celebrate their 60th Anniversary on August 15, 2014. Their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren came to celebrate with them on July 5th. Greetings may be sent to 14524 405th Ave., Conde SD 57434

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**Groton  
City  
Aug. 4  
Meeting  
Minutes**



August 4, 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: McGannon, Flihs, Blackmun, Muilenburg, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Opp and Glover were absent. Also present were: Attorney Johnson, Finance Officer Lowary and representatives from the press.

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

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

Moved by McGannon and seconded by Blackmun to approve the change order of \$220.12 credit for Robert Johnson Construction for the west street reconstruction. All members present voted aye.

Glenn Cooper came before the Council to express his disappointment on the cemetery care, especially the mowing of flowers he had planted for six years.

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

Executive Payroll 554.11 salaries; Administrative Payroll 5,986.74 salaries; Public Safety Payroll 14,257.70 salaries; Public Works Payroll 19,180.23 salaries; Cultural & Recreational Payroll 18,608.10 salaries; First State Bank 9,818.52 ss & wh; City of Groton 254.63 postage, chg, dep refund; Cons Fed Cr Union 1,125.00 emp savings; US Postal Service 209.43 postage; Groton Ford 3,500.00 pickup; Paul Kosel 964.00 med flex; Anita Lowary 174.63 mileage, candy; Dustin Cooper 50.00 dep refund; David Dohman 50.00 dep refund; Andy Fonken 50.00 dep refund; Michelle Fordham 50.00 dep refund; Chris Frost 50.00 dep refund; Ward Gilchrist 100.00 dep refund; Kevin Kyar 50.00 dep refund; Shane Reich 50.00 dep refund; Joe Schwan 50.00 dep refund; John Sieh 28.19 dep refund; Gary Thurston 250.00 dep refund; Tu Tu 50.00 dep refund; Associated Supply Co 1,143.95 chemicals, key; Kathy Bjerke 1,142.86 mileage, motel, equip, fees; Border States 3,438.05 materials; Chase Visa 1,944.01 exchanger, chairs, gas, post, domain; Clark Engineering 24,636.28 eng; Darrels 345.90 tires; Duanes 3,080.67 gas; Farmers Union 1,848.50 dsl, gas; Fire Safety First 57.00 recharge fire ext; Groton Fire Department 195.00 fire call; Groton Independent 99.15 publishing; Groton Veterinary 19.80 gloves; Justin Hanson 1,620.00 Teener umpires; Hanten Repair 115.06 repairs; HD Supply Waterworks

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The Safe Route to School grant funding reviewed and the route was shortened to 4 blocks. Moved by Flihs and seconded by Blackmun to give first reading to Ordinance 693, Preventing Yard Waste on Streets. All members present voted aye.

Moved by McGannon and seconded by Flihs to pass the following resolution for the application for a LWCF grant to replace the playground equipment at the baseball complex. All members present voted aye.

**RESOLUTION 14-84**  
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 Scott Hanlon is hereby authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of the City of Groton with the National Park Service, US 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 the financing the Groton Park Equipment at the baseball complex for the City of Groton, South Dakota and its Environs.  
2) That Scott Hanlon, 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 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.

Anita Lowary gave a report on the insurance task force meeting she attended and David Blackmun gave a report on the elected officials workshop he attended.  
Moved by McGannon and seconded by Flihs to authorize the following persons to attend the following meetings. All members present voted aye.  
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Meeting adjourned.  
Scott Hanlon, Mayor  
Anita Lowary, Finance Officer  
Published once at the approximate cost of \$43.82.

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The public is invited to attend the hearing and to present testimony and comments pertaining to the Petition to Amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the above described property. At the conclusion of the hearing, both councils may adopt first reading of Ordinance #14-08-01/438 granting Petition to Amend Ordinance No. 1164 and granting the Petition to Rezone said property. Dated this 4th day of August 2014.

ATTEST: Karl Alberts, Finance Officer  
Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor (0812.0819)  
Published twice at the total approximate cost of \$26.37.

**Brown  
County  
Fonder  
Rezoning  
Notice**



**NOTICE OF JOINT HEARING OF THE ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL**

AND THE BROWN COUNTY COMMISSION REGARDING PETITION TO REZONE CERTAIN PROPERTY

A public hearing will be held by the Aberdeen City Council and the Brown County Commission on the 26th day of August 2014, beginning at 8:45 a.m. in the Brown County Commission Chambers, 25 Market Street, to consider the Petition filed by Paul Fonder to amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the following described property from its present zoning designation of (A-1) Agricultural District to (M-AG) Mini-Agricultural District, said property being described as follows:

Fonder Outlot 1 and Lots 11, 12, and 13, Block 3, Moulton's First Subdivision in the SE ¼ of Sec 2-T123N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (13691 387th Ave)

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ATTEST: Karl Alberts, Finance Officer  
Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor (0812.0819)  
Published twice at the total approximate cost of \$26.87.

**NOTICE OF FIRST READING ORDINANCE REVISION FOR THE CITY OF WESTPORT, SOUTH DAKOTA**  
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the City of Westport will hold the first reading of the Westport City Ordinances, being ordinances in revision, on the 2nd day of September, 2014 at 6:00 p.m., at the City Hall in Westport. All interested parties may attend and be heard.

**Westport  
Town  
Aug. 4  
Meeting  
Minutes**



The Town of Westport met on August 4th, 2014 with Larry Huettl, Wyatt Wilson, Todd Hertel, and Doreen Hertel present.

The following expenses were presented:

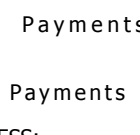
City General  
NWPS (\$142.15), Groton Independent (\$15.21), EZ stop (\$91.54), Brown County treasurer- mosquito spraying (\$143.65), Drew Johnson- City attorney (\$568.75), Postmaster (\$67.00), Intuit- checks (\$131.98), Richard Huettl - Mowing (\$445.00).  
Water  
WEB (\$868.42), Dept. of Revenue (\$13.00), Water Maintenance District (\$321.43).  
Sewer  
NWPS (\$43.70), NRW - loan repayment (\$210.13), Water Maintenance District (\$418.88)  
Todd Hertel made motion to pay all bills; second by Larry Huettl.

The following deposits were presented:  
City General  
Brown County Collections (\$257.29), Interest (\$13.26), Hall Rental (\$75.00), State of SD (\$36.00) & (1865.06) & (\$187.77).  
Sewer  
Resident Payments - (\$582.00).  
Water  
Resident Payments - (\$2195.35).

**NEW BUSINESS:**  
The Ordinances were discussed and are ready to be presented at a reading on September 2nd, 2014. Larry Huettl made a motion to accept the ordinances, Todd Hertel seconded the motion. The motion passed and the first reading will be held at the next meeting.

A copy of the ordinances will be placed in the post office that will need to stay there. Doreen Hertel will also have one available.  
Cully Conn stopped and asked about the roads by his house. There should be someone coming soon, to blade the roads.  
Doreen Hertel, Finance Officer  
Published once at the total approximate cost of \$16.73.

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Publishing: Aberdeen American News \$129.74; Big Stone Broadcasting \$4,500.00; Dakota Broadcasting \$3,000.00; KOKK \$1,200.00.

Rentals: Brick's Roto-Rooter \$6,800.00; Gompf Display \$1,755.00; NB Golf \$10,075.00; Sewer Duck \$4,725.00; Spotslam \$1,674.00; Street Smart Rental \$5,400.00; T & K Rentals \$9,500.00; Vision Communications \$1,942.00; BLB Investments \$261.00; BOPA \$225.00; JAS Properties \$310.00.

Repairs & Maintenance: Archer Construction \$3,227.59; Asphalt Zipper \$23.00; Butler Machinery \$4,253.11; Crawford Trucks & Equip. \$2,933.67; Dakota Electronics \$297.00; Loren Feist \$180.00; HC Clark Implement \$212.74; HF Jacobs & Son \$2,528.00; Hollaway Construction \$42,283.08; Integrated Tech & Security \$1,331.64; Lawson Products \$27.05; Leidholt Electric \$136.79; Light & Siren \$23.75; PowerPlan \$4,188.39.

Supplies/Fair Entertainment: 4-H Performing Arts \$200.00; Aberdeen Area Horseman's Assn. \$850.00; Appeal Entertainment \$4,000.00; Avenger Joe \$3,500.00; Phil Baker \$1,200.00; Better Ride \$300.00; Brandt Boys \$150.00; Nick Bretz \$900.00; Will Brown \$150.00; Pete Burchkard \$150.00; Robert Burtis \$2,500.00; Tanner Cruise \$150.00; Dakota Pedal Pulls \$525.00; Dick Dunkirk \$2,600.00; Extreme Canines \$8,500.00; John Mogen \$900.00; Leland's Road \$2,500.00; Lew's Fireworks \$4,000.00; Marty Davis Show \$1,500.00; Scott McFall \$4,200.00; Old Time Tractor Pullers Assn. \$1,200.00; James Wedgewood Pratt \$1,400.00; Ron Parker \$150.00; Sherwin Linton \$2,000.00; Theatrical Media Services \$10,000.00; Valentine Road Corp. \$28,000.00; Robby Vee \$4,000.00; A & B Business \$15.31; Asphalt Zipper \$225.00; Bakken Build Maint. \$500.00; Butler Machinery \$1,206.87; Carlsen Funeral Home \$320.58; Randy Crawford \$19.97; Crawford Trucks & Equip. \$7,838.06; Creative Product Source \$361.33; Danko Emergency Equip. \$2,265.00; DSS Image Apparel \$3,300.00; Farnam's \$225.94; Fastenal \$1,133.15; FedEx \$19.93; Fire Safety First \$64.00; Gall's \$126.99; Geffdog Designers \$735.24; GovConnection \$1,267.48; Great Western Tire \$13,249.08; Lang's \$65.00; Lawson Products \$329.19; Leidholt Electric \$768.25; Lien Transportation \$102,472.48; Light & Siren \$837.00; Mac's \$222.24; Marco \$215.44; McFarland Supply \$33.75; Menards \$47.34; NCFE-Warner \$4,908.56; Nelson Sales & Service \$19.50; Network Services Co. \$398.76; Pauer Sound & Music \$250.00; PowerPlan \$10,603.47; Sherri Rawstern \$237.98; RDO \$42.60; Running's \$676.37; Sewer Duck \$130.00; Sherwin Williams \$467.55; Van Diest Supply Co. \$7,907.38; Zastrow's Sales & Service \$176.00.

Travel & Conference: Tom Fischbach \$118.40; Patricia Kendall \$201.08.

Utilities: AT & T \$591.58; BDM Rural Water \$30.00; CenturyLink \$514.84; Midcontinent \$377.60; NVC \$609.56; NWPS \$11,841.57; Town of Frederick \$32.25; Verizon \$157.24; Web Water \$63.19.

Fire District Tax Distribution: Aberdeen City Fire Dept \$71,721.40; Aberdeen Rural Firefighters \$12,442.08; Claremont Fire Dept. \$2,479.65; Columbia Fire Dept. \$5,964.69; Frederick Fire Dept. \$4,476.93; Groton Area Fire Protection \$11,114.47; Hecla Fire Dept. \$3,639.50; Hutterville Hutterian Fire Dept. \$402.69; Leola Fire Dept. \$159.15; Stratford Fire Dept. \$4,511.00; Warner Fire Dept. \$4,965.24.

Other: New Tec \$15,621.24. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Kippley to acknowledge resignation of Cortney Paul, effective August 1, 2014 (Dispatch). All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Kippley, seconded by Fischbach to approve over-time for employees from various offices during Fair week (August 11-17, 2014); unless their job is not Fair related, then the rate paid will be \$13.58 per hour. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Kippley to approve the following employees to work security during the Brown County Fair - August 11-17, 2014: Aaron Follmer, Brad Ziegler, Brady Berg, Brent Koens, Dale Farman, Daryl VanDover, Jeff Carlson, Jeff Neal, Kyle Stoddard, Mark Miller, Mike Wiese, Nick Cochrane, Robert Graham, Tanner Jondahl, Tony Garcia @ \$18.00 per hour. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

LEASE AGREEMENTS: Moved by Kippley, seconded by Fischbach to approve and authorize the Chairman sign the following agreements: CEF Aberdeen Christian Fellowship for lease of the Richmond Lake Youth Camp on August 4 - 8, 2014; AGC of South Dakota for lease of the Expo Building on September 23, 2014; Keith Underberg (State Rabbit Show) for lease of The Club House on Octob4er 4-5, 2014; Sarah Michlitsch for lease of the Richmond Lake Youth Camp on August 29-31, 2014. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ORD 438- ORD 439 - SET HEARING DATE: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Kippley to set public hearing for Ordinance #14-08-01/438, an Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the following described property from its present zoning designation of (A-1) Agricultural District to (C-2) Highway Commercial District: The East 488.98' of the West 1,037.3' of the North 670.16' of the NW ¼ of Sec 23-T123N-R63W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (39213 133rd Street), Ordinance #14-08-03/439, an Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the following described property from its present zoning designation of (A-1) Agricultural District to (M-AG) Mini-Agricultural District: Fonder Outlot 1 and Lots 11, 12, and 13, Block 3, Moulton's First Subdivision in the SE ¼ of Sec 2-T123N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (13691 387th Ave), to be held in the Brown County Commission Chambers at 8:45 a.m. on August 26, 2014. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

SPECIAL MALT BEVERAGE LICENSES: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fischbach to approve and authorize the Chairman sign the following Special Malt Beverage License Application: Centennial Village Inc. - Brown County Fairgrounds (Centennial Village) SW ¼ Sec 1-T123N-R64W, effective August 11 - 17, 2014 (map indicating specific area licenses on file with application). All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Hansen, seconded by Kippley to approve and authorize the Chairman sign the following Special Malt Beverage License Application: Aberdeen Hockey Association - Brown County Fairgrounds (Clubhouse) SW ¼ Sec 1-T123N-R64W, effective August 11-17, 2014 (map indicating specific area licensed on file with application). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

OPERATING TRANSFER: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fischbach to approve and authorize the following operating transfer in total amount of \$3,384,072.91, as reflected in the 2014 General Fund #101 Budget (101-911-191): Road and Bridge Fund #201-371@ \$3,000,000.00, E911 Fund #207-371@ \$284,072.91, EM Fund #226-371@ \$100,000.00; and further approve and authorize the following operating transfer in total amount of \$100,000.00, as reflected in the 2014 Library Fund #103 Budget (101-911-191) to General Fund #101-371. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

LOTTERY APPLICATION: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Hansen to approve the following application: Spurs Therapeutic Riding Center for raffle to be held on August 16, 2014 at the Brown County Fair. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

PROPERTY DONATION AGREEMENT - AMENDED: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fischbach to approve and authorize the Chairman sign Amended Donation Agreement with Wells Fargo Bank, Donor and Brown County, Donee for acceptance of property located at 408 S 3rd Street, Aberdeen, South Dakota. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

BCCHC REPORT: DeAnna Kyburz presented the Brown County Community Health Center Report for April - June 2014.

APPLICATIONS FOR OCCUPANCY: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fischbach to approve and authorize the Chairman sign application, submitted by James Valley Telecommunications for occupancy of Brown County Highway #9 in Sec 11/14-T125N-R62W, Brown County, SD to provide telecommunication services. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Hansen, seconded by Kippley to approve (contingent upon approval by NRCS) and authorize the Chairman sign application, submitted by Arne Svarstad (Dustin Usselman Contractor) for occupancy of Brown County Highway #21 in Sec 10-T122N-R63W, Brown County, SD to install 6" pipe for drain title. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Kippley to go into executive session to discuss personnel and contract, per SDCL 1-25-2(1) & (4) with Larry Lovien and Gary Vetter in attendance. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. The Chairman declared the executive session closed, with no action taken as a result of the discussion.

RECESS: The Chairman declared the Commission recessed until August 12, 2014. Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor Published once at the total approximate cost of \$96.58.



Town of Frederick August 5, 2014 Board Meeting Minutes  
Town of Frederick Board Chairman Scott Campbell called to order the monthly August meeting on Tuesday evening, August 5, 2014. Those attending included Utility Manager Rich Bakeberg, EBL Librarian Mavis Cox, Frederick resident Teresa Cox, and joining later Gary Peterson for FDC and patron Craig Larson.

The minutes of the July meeting were reviewed with 2 corrections made. Smith made a motion to approve the minutes including the changes, Meyer seconded. Motion Carried.

The Financial Report for July was reviewed with motion by Meyer, seconded by Smith to approve. Motion Carried.

Approval of Accounts Payable for August were reviewed and 1 correction was made to the wrong amount on a check. The amount in the A/P was changed and also the Financial Statement. The check was changed and initialed. Motion was made by Meyer and seconded by Smith to approve, after the one correction was made. Motion Carried.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Rich Bakeberg, Genl/Education/Lagoon \$46.70; R. Bakeberg, Ut Mgr St/W/Swr \$328.96; Casson Campbell Mow Genl \$133.90; City of Ellendale Mosq Spray Genl \$952.65; Community Store Supplies FO/CC/S Park \$44.49; DSG meter supplies Wtr \$85.55; Dane Campbell Mow Genl \$110.82; DENR Water fee Wtr \$100; Diane Bruns Workshop/Education Genl \$282.04; D. Bruns Maint/Schedule CC \$67.87; D. Bruns, Finance Of-

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up to code, along with the rest of the list (on file in FO) being completed. Meyer/Smith voted Aye, Campbell voted Nay. Motion Carried.

Water and Sewer rate hikes were tabled until September. The board would like to know what other small towns charge with and without sewer projects going on.

The roof of the cement monument case at Simmons Park is deteriorating. The city will contact someone to have it repaired and pay with an account donated especially for that purpose.

The 2015 Budget was looked at with the 1st and 2nd readings to take place in September.

FO Bruns gave a report on the Municipal League Workshop she attended in Pierre. Speakers included Yvonne Taylor, Executive Director of the SDML; Rod Fortin, Director of Local Government Assistance, SD Dept of Leg Audit; Mike Wendland, Mayor of Baltic and Gary Lipp, Mayor of Custer; Judy Payne, Ex Dir SD Public Assurance Alliance and Brad Wilson, Deputy Ad of SDML Workers' Compensation Fund, Adam Altman, Aberdeen City Att, Larry Nelson, City Att for Worthing, Canton and Hartford and Emily Sovell, City Attorney for Onida, Highmore and Faulkton talking about 'How to Conduct an Effective & Efficient Meeting'; and Steven Blair, Assist Att General, Office of SD Att Genl on 'Open Meetings Law, Open Records and Executive Sessions'.

The 'Past Due' list of utility bills was presented. Five homes were due to be shut off the following day.

A "Flow Measurement: Depth Indicator Method" work sheet was presented to Utility Manager Bakeberg and the Board members from Inspector Kelsey. The measurement is a requirement of the Surface Water Discharge permit granted Frederick by DENR.

It was mentioned that the SD Rural Water Association may be called to check for a major water leak in the Frederick system. Campbell is going to do a water analysis.

Campbell/Meyer will also call a local resident about use of his loader and purchasing gravel for town streets.

No representation from Frederick Forward but Board Member Smith attended the Appreciation Picnic sponsored by FF in support of Finn Fests' sponsors, helpers and volunteers. He said attendance was down but evening was beautiful, company was nice, and picnic tasty.

EBL Librarian Cox mentioned the water heater at the library is still emitting an obnoxious odor. She is wondering if a new water heater is needed? Campbell is going to check it out.

Gary Peterson, President of FDC, presented the board with a letter of intention asking for \$300.00 more in their monthly allocation. The board will take it into consideration as they do their budget next month. A positive comment was made on the construction of the new single-family dwellings going up off Main Street across from the Community Store. Peterson is the Building Contractor.

Continental Western Ins Co, Agent Campbell said the town would be getting a refund due to a couple policies not pertaining to Frederick that were included in the total premium. An update on the Recommendations for Improvement Checklist is tabled to September due to waiting on an est. from Fire Chief Barton for a double walled fuel tank for outdoors.

Campbell also plans to visit with the Brown County Auditor about City Boundary lines and what control accessing or changing the Mil Levy to Ag Land w/ in city limits would do to the tax base.

NEW BUSINESS: Thersea Cox presented the board with a list of improvements to be done on a trailer she wanted permission to move into Frederick. After reviewing the list and much discussion, the board approved a special exception to allow Cox permission to move into Frederick a 1970 trailer. A vote of the board was taken with a motion made by Smith, seconded by Meyer for approval, being contingent on electricity

Mike Tople was granted permission to remove a tree in his front boulevard, the tree is hollow. Boulevards belong to the city therefore the city will pay for the grinding.

CORRESPONDENCE: Campbell or Meyer will talk to D. Braa about patch work needing to be done.

C. Martin is coming to blade, may patch North of elevator.

No one knows the owner of television on E wall of Community Center. Television declared surplus property and can be removed.

Because any XP Computer is able to be hacked, the city will begin upgrading.

SDML 81st Annual conference in Spearfish is October 7-10, 2014. No one attending.

Sewer Duck invoice discussed; doors of porta pots at Finn Fest were dented after being delivered and moved.

M. Cutler's newly acquired property was discussed. He would like the meter pulled from the residence as it will possibly not be used and he does not want a utility bill.

A Napton property was discussed and pipes will be put back in place to supply plumbing into it.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM with a motion by Smith. All in favor, motion carried.

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# Little change in bus routes

Loren Bahr talked about the bus routes and he said there was little change in mileage from last year.

Route #1: Bus 14 (new bus) will be driven by Brian Gravatt. It went from 78 miles last year to 81 miles this year with 33 students.

Route #2: Bus 99 driven by Jim Gerdes in the morning and Butch Farmen in the afternoon. Just went up one mile from last year to 78 miles with 51 students on the route.

Route #3: Bus 10 driven by Linda McInerney in the Conde area. Same miles as last

year. There are 80 miles on the trip with 33 students.

Route #4: Bus 92 driven by Randy Hjerms-tad. Has the same road miles as last year. 72 miles on the route with 36 students.

Route #5: Bus 12 driven by Lena Cox. There are 69 miles on the route with 43 students in the Columbia-Bath area.

Route #6: Bus 05 driven by Deb Tietz with 28 students. It dropped several miles from last year from 83 to 75 miles this year.

Route #7: Bus 07 driven by Don Donley with

no change in miles and there are 40 students on the route.



**Business Manager Mike Weber (right) has new board president Steve Smith sign papers that will transfer signature power to Smith.**

Superintendent Joe Schwan talked about one of the meetings he attended and there is some consideration to rethink the retire/rehire policy. Teachers are retiring and then going out of state to continue teaching. It should be reconsidered to keep teachers 55-60 years of age. There are schools still looking to hire 20 certified teachers and school is only a week away. The only positions open in Groton are assistant coaches for boys basketball and wrestling.

Health care options were discussed and the state health benefit fund is struggling. Business Manager Mike Weber said limiting options is not a good thing for this area where you have two hospitals competing in Aberdeen and

you have spouses working at both hospitals. Weber said that there is no representation on the committee from northern South Dakota.

Preliminary enrollment for the elementary school is up four students from last year and will be expected to change once school begins.

Several students are taking advantage of E-Learning classes and/or Board of Regents dual credit classes.

Middle school and high school enrollment numbers are up and there will be two foreign exchange students attending school this year.

The board acknowledge receipt of public school exemption for two students in kindergarten, and one each in first, fourth, seventh and for a junior.

Approve open enrollment from Aberdeen for two eighth graders, and for one student in fourth, sixth and 10th grade.

Approved Craig Sternhagen as a volunteer assistant boys soccer coach for this fall, Barb Wacholz as an elementary paraprofessional at \$10.25 per hour for 6.75 hours per day, and for Ryan Dix as an elementary paraprofessional for 6.75 hours per day at \$12.25 per hour.

Approved a lane change for Becky Erickson

from BS to BS+15 and the board approved the resignation of Desiree Gonsoir as an elementary paraprofessional.

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