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Here today

This building at the corner of Main Street and Railroad Avenue may be here today, but not for long. The building is expected to be torn down in the next day or two.

According to the Groton Centennial History Book, this building was built in 1904 by Henry and Minnie Holtz. There were several businesses in the building over its time. The north side of the building had a saloon, a pool parlor, a creamery and Holtz and Miles Millinery which had trimmed hats, caps, bear skin hoods, ostrich plumes and more. The back side had The Green Gable in 1934-35 which was a dance hall. In the 1920s there was a gas station on the south side of the building.

Forrest Fulker bought the building in 1952 where he had Fulker's Recreation on the north side and the south side was used for storage. In the 1970s, Bruce's Tavern and Joan's Place occupied the building.

Glenn Cooper bought the building in 1980 where he had Tiger's Den for the athletic teams of Groton High School. After his run, Fritz Hoops bought the building where he started Fritz's Place, a place where he sold used merchandise. After Fritz died, Don Hoops took over the building and expanded the business to the former Cozy Cafe building and later expanded to the former Bristol School. As the Bristol School location took off, the the former Cozy Cafe building was evacuated and the corner building became storage. Mike and Tina Fordham bought the business and concentrated their operations in Bristol, putting the corner building up for sale.

In the past month, Clint Jacobson, Jr., bought the building. He said that his first goal is to remove the building, and then decide what to do with the lot. He said options include an apartment building or maybe an office building. Jacobson, Jr., also bought the former Groton Independent building.



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Slide arrives in pieces



Julianna and Jeslyn Kosel are getting into the lawn mowing business, being supervised by their dad. They worked their first job yesterday at the Golden Living Center.

It took two days to disassemble, load and transport the water slide from Huron to Groton as the trucks arrived in Groton yesterday afternoon.

Top photo features Councilman Michelle Muilenberg talking with Ward Gilchrist from the city and Dennis Johnson from Johnson Trucking of Clark.

The middle photo features the slide pieces from the truck all laid out in the pool parking lot. The pieces were later moved to the west warehouse.

The bottom photo features the rest of the slide nestled in west of the city warehouse.

Shawn Lambertz, David McGannon, Dwight Zerr, Mayor Scott Hanlon and Joe Foertsch all helped with the disassembly of the slide in Huron.

The Life of Charlotte Lange

Memorial services for Charlotte Lange, 94, Groton, will be 2 p.m., Tuesday, August 19 at the United Methodist Church, Groton. The Rev. Matt Richards will officiate. Inurnment will follow in Union Cemetery.

Visitation will be held at the church for one hour prior to services on Tuesday.

Charlotte died August 13, 2014 at Golden Living Center, Groton.

Charlotte Anneliese Troebst was born on May 15, 1920, in Burgel, Germany, to Paul and Martha (Wuelfert) Troebst. She graduated from high school in 1938 in Jena, Germany and worked in the city bank in Jena from 1938 to 1949. Charlotte moved to Bielefeld, Germany, in 1949 and worked as an office employee until 1951. She immigrated to Canada in 1951 and worked as an office employee for Hudson's Bay Company in Vancouver, Canada until 1961. On March 10, 1961, she married Arthur Lange in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, and moved to Groton, South Dakota. Art and Charlotte were married for 39 years before his passing in April of 2010. Charlotte worked as a site supervisor for the Senior Nutrition Site in Groton for 22 years.

Charlotte was an active member of the United Methodist Church and the UMW. She was also a member of the Eastern Star Diana Chapter 83 in Groton, and the Groton American Legion Auxiliary. Her hobbies included cooking and baking, gardening, reading, and listening to music.

Celebrating her life is her daughter, Yvonne Lange, Groton, SD; two step-daughters; Jill (John) Cross of Monticello, MN, and Kristi (Bill) Hickman of Loveland, CO; one step-son, Dean Lange of Minneapolis, MN; and niece, Annemarie (Jurgen) Kornfeld of Bielefeld, Germany, nephew, Peter Troebst of Bielefeld, Germany and nephew, Michael Troebst of Germany.

Preceding her in death were her parents; her husband, Arthur Lange, one step-son, Joseph Lange; one brother, Helmut Troebst, and one sister, Erika Kubitzki.

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Groton Fire Hall to get generator

Plans to install a generator at the Groton Fire Hall received final approval Monday night during the Groton Fire Board meeting. The generator will provide backup power to essential parts of the fire hall, such as the overhead doors, in the event of a power outage. The generator will run on natural gas and provide plenty of power for the building. Jerry Locke of Locke Electric will do the installation and Full Circle Ag will do the natural gas hook ups. Along with the installation, Locke will install a new security light on the north side of the building to provide additional lighting. The lot behind the fire hall is used to park additional equipment, such as the fire trailers.

"It's hard to hook up a trailer in the dark", Fire Board President Bob Osterman said. The back lot also houses the storage shed. Currently the firemen have to leave the fire hall and walk around the building to access either the shed or the trailers and other equipment. The board approved the final plans of installing an overhead door on the north side of the building to allow for easier access. Dakota Doors will do the installation of the new 6x7 foot door and Blocker Construction will do the framework. It was also noted that the water runoff from the building is starting to undermine the building's concrete foundation. Fire Chief Dion Bahr will talk to the City about getting some loads of dirt brought in to build the area back up. The fire hall does have rain gutters installed, but alternatives may need to be looked at especially around the down spouts.

So far all needed equipment and bunker gear for both Groton and Bath have either received or ordered. The board had some discussion on what was the best way to communicate what has been ordered and what has been received and paid for. Currently Bahr does the ordering and Board Treasurer Dale Ringgenberg pays the invoice, but doesn't know what has been received.

The new stencils have been put on the vehicles, both in Groton and in Bath, identifying the trucks as part of the Groton Fire Department and distinguishing which vehicle it is.

A new pump for the Bath pumper truck was discussed, but was tabled.

-Char Telkamp

Editorial on South Dakota teacher shortage

At the start of a new school year, school boards and administrators have plenty to deal with; the school building needs to be prepared for students to arrive, inspections of school buses need to be completed, and daily class schedules need to be set, among many other matters. This school year, in addition to these matters, districts are dealing with an additional, very crucial issue—a shortage of teachers.

A survey recently conducted by the School Administrators of South Dakota (SASD) revealed more than 238 teaching positions, nearly 30 percent of the total number of jobs posted in the spring, remained open across the state well passed the end of the school year. Typically, most teaching positions are filled by May for the following school year.

When administrators face the challenge of locating qualified job candidates at this late date, they typically do one of three things:

- * Hire a less-than-qualified teacher;
- * Assign a teacher from another discipline or grade level in their district to fill the open position;
- * Or, use a long-term substitute teacher to fill the vacancy.

There is not an administrator in this state who wants to resort to any one of these three options, but many are being forced to do so as the start of school approaches. The teacher shortage crisis has forced administrators to devote more attention, time, and resources than ever before to attract candidates for open positions.

A major and obvious contributing factor to the teacher shortage is that South Dakota is ranked last in the nation in teacher pay. We are ranked 51st in the nation when you include the District of Columbia. South Dakota is approximately \$8,000 behind North Dakota, which has the next lowest average teacher pay among our bordering states.

South Dakota is losing its brightest teachers and candidates to Minnesota, North Dakota, Iowa and Wyoming. Our high school students are choosing not to seek teaching degrees in college due to the low compensation.

If our state's policymakers and education leaders truly wish to improve our schools and help our students be successful for life after high school, we need to focus more on what the research tells us is most important, the adult in the classroom.

The best way to improve education is by putting good teachers in front of students. We have a lot of great teachers in South Dakota; we just don't have enough of them.

We recognize all teachers can improve, so we support the efforts by our state leaders to build the capacity of teachers to perform at high levels. The larger problem and more pressing is, however, we cannot improve upon that which we do not have.

Although there isn't a single solution to fix this problem, it is clear that a rather substantial amount of money needs to be infused into our K-12 schools to attract and retain quality teachers. To this end, we call on the administration and legislature to devise and implement a plan to increase teacher pay across the state. We believe the state needs to not only restore K-12 funding to its highpoint before the freeze in 2010 and cut in 2011, but to significantly increase the per student allocation, so school districts across the state can put in place a compensa-

tion system that will help bring teacher pay in South Dakota up to a respectable level so that we can recruit and retain the best and brightest. Our students deserve nothing less.

We are in a crisis. We cannot afford to wait another year to address the teacher shortage. If we do, the value of our students' education will surely diminish.

DAN LEIKVOLD,
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Golfers begin season at Volga

The Groton boys golf team had its first meet on Monday at Volga. There were no placers for Groton. Sean Schuring shot a 96, Treyton Diegel a 97, Landon Marzahn a 107, Korbin Blackmun 112, Hunter Schaller 114 and Gabe Guthmiller 115.

The first home meet will be held next Thursday, August 28 as Groton will host the Northeast Conference Golf Meet. This Thursday, the team will go to Milbank.

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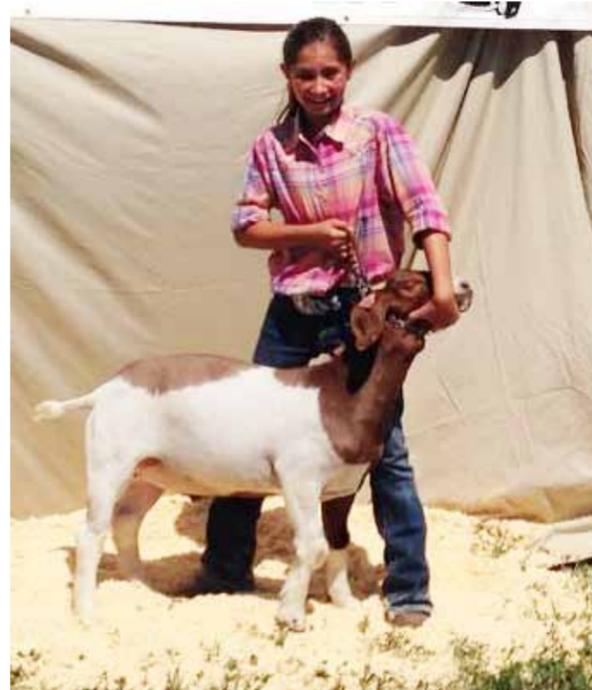
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8958: Ada Siders competes in the barrel racing completion at the Dacotah Stampede Stick Horse Rodeo (Photo by Char Telkamp)



8919: Trey Wright puts his horse through its paces in the Sr. Stock Seat Equitation Class during the Youth Horse Show at the Brown County Fair. (Photo by Char Telkamp)



Tessa Erdmann earned reserve market goat and junior champion showmanship at the jackpot goat show in Aberdeen.



Lions Club members given tour of Harry's flower garden

Groton Lions Club member, Lisa Harry; gave club members a tour of her extensive flower garden, when she hosted the July Lions Club potluck supper/meeting on her patio last Thursday evening. Lisa and some of those members are pictured in her garden. (Left to right are Dave Pigors, Evan Crosby, Lisa Harry and Lee Schinkel)

Business included thanking the Emmanuel Lutheran Church youth club for cleaning the Lions Club ditches again last spring, and asking them to do this task again this fall.

Plans were made to hold the annual fall city-wide rummage sale, and serve the annual pancake breakfast at the Andover threshing show, the same day again, in September.

Lee Schinkel proposed Mark Herman as a new member, and the club accepted him into the Groton Lions Club.

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Minutes**



Butler Town
Regular Meeting
August 11th 2014

President Kristen Marko brought the meeting to order at 7:00pm at the James Marko residence. All members were present, James Marko and Galen Sichmeller.

A motion was made to read and approve the minutes of the previous meeting by Sichmeller and second by Marko. Motion carried. The minutes were approved as read.

A motion was made by Marko and second by Sichmeller to pay bills. Motion carried. Those that were presented for payment were Northwestern Energy 79.75, Groton Daily Independent 12.42, Colin Johnson 400.00, Northeast Excavation Inc 1,750.00, and Dependable Sanitation Inc 175.00.

The issue for the dumpster will be discussed at the next meeting. The Insurance issue is still being resolved.

A motion was made by Sichmeller and second by Marko to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.

The next meeting will be held on September 8th at 7:00pm at Kristen Marko residence.

Georgia Sichmeller
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**Brown County
Aug. 12
General
Meeting**



AUGUST 12, 2014 – GENERAL MEETING

Meeting called to order by Chairman Sutton at 8:45 A.M. in the Commissioner's Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, SD. Present were Commissioners Hansen, Kippley, Fischbach and Wiese. Chairman Sutton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

SDACO SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION: Register of Deeds Carol Sherman presented the South Dakota Association of County Officials Scholarship Certificate and check to Holly Anderson, Granddaughter of Register of Deeds Employee Jeanette Kline. Holly's mother Karla Anderson was also in attendance for the presentation.

MINUTES: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Kippley to approve the General Meeting minutes of August 5, 2014. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

CLAIMS: Moved by Wiese, seconded by Hansen to approve the following claims:

Payroll: Commission \$3,527.51; Commission Assistant/Human Resources

\$3,992.74; Auditor \$7,124.47; Treasurer \$11,647.68; Data Processing \$3,460.72; State's Attorney \$15,075.40; Blood Draws \$1,050.00; SVAWA Grant \$1,269.24; Maintenance \$5,984.42; Assessor \$12,733.30; Register of Deeds \$8,402.07; Veterans Service Office \$3,574.15; GIS \$2,147.60; Sheriff Admin \$31,433.98; Jail \$33,274.94; Coroner \$1,350.00; JDC \$15,617.59; HD \$4,970.90; Welfare Office \$3,104.47; Museum \$7,624.16; Parks & Fairgrounds \$6,811.66; Fair Board \$3,378.67; 4-H \$1,741.48; Weed \$5,575.90; Planning and Zoning \$1,453.85; Highway \$52,051.66; Communications \$20,062.92; Emergency Management \$3,209.72; Teen Court \$117.26; 24/7 \$2,620.86; Landfill \$11,687.40

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Professional Fees: Home Arts Awards \$1,100.00; Hub Area Habitat for Humanity \$1,000.00; SD Snow Queen \$1,000.00; Avera St. Luke's \$1,579.35; Br. Co. Treasurer \$11.00; DevNet \$2,679.98; Fox & Youngberg \$190.02; Mettler, Sichmeller Engineering \$5,565.00; SD Dept. of Revenue & Regulation \$579,248.63; Sivertsen Technology \$5,700.00.

Transcripts: Kristi Brandt \$88.20; Shephard Reporting \$30.00.

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Repairs & Maintenance: Classic Glass \$7,587.00; Dakota Electronics \$1,059.40; DFP \$233.00; Diamond Mowers \$17.66; Diesel Machinery \$131.80; Farm Power Mfg. \$501.44; Graham Tire \$247.06; Hoven Auto Repair \$217.95; Jensen Rock & Sand \$5,905.00; Ken's Alignment \$70.72; Lawson Products \$2.44; Northwind Machine \$40.00; Pierion-Ford \$4,052.26; Sheehan Mack \$6,147.69; Vosika Fencing \$103.00; Walth Safety Service \$508.00; Woodman Refrigeration \$273.51.

Supplies/Fair Entertainment: A & B Business \$216.07; Gifford Designers \$853.26; Ken's \$15.96; Menards \$249.50; RDO Equipment \$94.00; 446 - Praxair \$279.07; Ameripride \$357.88; Br. Co. Treasurer \$81.04; Cartney Bearing \$211.53; Cash-Wa \$5,202.40; Crescent Electric \$265.98; Dakota Electronics \$886.00; Dakota Oil \$4,442.51; Diamond Mowers \$182.38; Diesel Machinery \$673.87; DT Pharmacy \$1,810.43; Earthgrains \$364.86; Farm Power \$196.94; Ashley Farrand \$37.02; Full Circle Ag \$1,530.26; Galls \$104.12; Gardner Locksmithing \$50.00; Gellhaus & Gellhaus \$80.00; GovConnection \$1,294.06; Hall Sand & Gravel \$695.93; Hecla Implement \$89.64; He-

dahl's \$130.14; House of Glass \$1,286.45; Interstate Battery \$95.95; Intoximeters \$2,000.00; Kmart Pharmacy \$24.79; KONE \$2,094.87; Lawson Products \$32.82; Lien Transportation \$136,461.58; Marco \$191.25; Menards \$73.44; Midstates Printing \$163.70; NCFE - Warner Elevator \$17,836.58; Network Services \$281.42; Palmer Distributing \$110.50; Pro Ag Supply \$340.74; Sewing Shoppe \$42.00; Sheehan Mack \$1,043.99; Specialty Mfg. \$422.84; Taser International \$1,266.02; Taylor Laundry \$131.00; Van Diest Supply Co. \$910.65; Wallwork Truck Center \$164.84; Walth Safety Service \$29.20.

Travel & Conference: Aberdeen Area Chamber of Commerce \$12.00.

Utilities: Aberdeen City Treasurer \$1,265.02; Aberdeen Police Dept. \$875.00; City of Hecla \$100.37; James Valley Communications \$218.30; Midcontinent \$268.80; Midwest Alarm \$51.50; Northern Elec. \$91.52; NVC \$2,460.80; NWPS \$747.28.

Buildings: JDH Construction \$15,136.95.

Other: SD Assoc. of County Officials \$1,090.00. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Wiese to approve the following employee step increase, effective August 17, 2014: Kristi Vetter @ \$15.31 per hour, John Heine @ \$22.00 per hour, Scott Kolb @ \$21.95 per hour, Sherri Rawstern @ \$15.95 per hour, Tina McLeod @ \$14.49 per hour. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Wiese, seconded by Kippley to approve hiring the following employees to work during the Fair, August 11 - 17, 2014: Meredith McGarry, Jason Clark, Brittany Hurst, Joseph Slater, Ramirez Amelo @ \$9.96 per hour; Nancy Goss, Daniel Gilkerson, Mike Lynch, Allen Mivshek, Jeanette Hassebrook @ \$10.02 per hour; Andrea Sjomeling, Kathy Fischer, Aliza Rux, Sherri Rawstern, Mariann Malsom @ \$13.58 per hour. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Wiese, seconded by Hansen to acknowledge resignation of Shanda Bragg (24/7 Sobriety), effective August 17, 2014 and Tanae Hart (Corrections Officer), effective July 10, 2014; and approve request to fill vacancy for a part-time Corrections Officer. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Fischbach seconded by Wiese to acknowledge the following miles driven and amount to be taxed for personal use of County vehicles during the month of July 2014: Kendall Titze - 78 @ \$43.68, Mark Wendt - 384 @ \$215.04, Michael Scott - 160 @ \$89.60, Gary Vetter - 102 @ \$57.12, Dirk Rogers - 779 @ \$436.24. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

SHERIFF REPORTS: Moved by Kippley, seconded by Fischbach to approve the following July 2014 Sheriff Reports: Incidents and offenses, Prisoner care, JDC, and Money deposited with the

County Treasurer. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

CROW CREEK FLOODGATE STRUCTURE: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Wiese to approve and authorize the Chairman sign Agreement with NECOG in amount of \$2,000.00 for administrative services for the Crow Creek Floodgate Structure Project. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

VETERANS BURIAL PLOTS: Moved by Wiese, seconded by Fischbach to acknowledge and thank American Legion Post #24 for consideration for providing funeral plots for qualified indigent veterans at Riverside Cemetery. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

APPLICATION FOR OCCUPANCY: Moved by Wiese, seconded by Sutton to approve application for occupancy in regard to storm water discharge from the airport, requested by Helms & Associates and the City of Aberdeen. Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-nay, Kippley-nay, Fischbach-nay, Wiese-aye, Sutton-aye. Motion failed.

2015 PROVISIONAL BUDGET: Moved by Wiese, seconded by Fischbach to approve the 2015 Provisional Budget and authorize advertising public hearing to be held in the Commissioner's Chambers, Courthouse Annex, at 9:00 A.M. on September 2, 2014. Roll call vote: Commissioner's Hansen-aye, Kippley-aye, Fischbach-aye, Wiese-aye, Sutton-aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION FOR SUBMISSION TO THE SD ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Wiese offered the following Resolution: RESOLUTION #53-14. RESOLUTION TO ALLOW COUNTIES TO SET THEIR OWN MEETING SCHEDULE FOR DRAINAGE COMMISSION MEETINGS. WHEREAS, Brown County is concerned about the ability to set their own frequency of Drainage Commission meetings; and WHEREAS, Dry years do not necessitate drainage meeting needs; and WHEREAS, Per State of South Dakota Statute 46A-10A-4 "Meetings. A drainage commission shall meet at such times as may be necessary to accomplish the purposes of this chapter, but a commission may not meet less than once every six months" should be amended to "Meetings. A drainage commission shall meet at such times as may be necessary to accomplish the purposes of this chapter." and NOW, THEREFORE, that the Brown County Board of Commissioners expresses their full support and cooperation of this statute change; and Does direct its administrator to prepare and furnish a certified copy of this Resolution for submission to the South Dakota Association of County Commissioners for consideration. Seconded by Commissioner Fischbach. Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-aye, Kippley-aye, Fischbach-aye, Wiese-aye, Sutton-aye. Resolution adopted.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved by Wiese, seconded by Hansen

to go into executive session to discuss personnel, per SDCL 1-25-2(1) with Larry Lovrien and Gary Vetter in attendance. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. The Chairman declared the executive session closed, with the following action taken as a result of the discussion: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Wiese to approve the following employee salaries, effective August 17, 2014: Scott Bader at pro-rated annual salary of \$40,000.00; Amy Scott and Kurt Smith at pro-rated annual salaries of \$44,845.84. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

RECESS: The Chairman declared the Commission recessed until August 19, 2014. Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor Published once at the total approximate cost of \$86.18.

**Westport
Town
Ordinance
Review**



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.

Copies of the draft City Ordinance are located at the Post Office for review prior to the scheduled first reading. If you have questions concerning the public hearing, please call Doreen Hertel at 290-5610. You may also send your comments concerning the City Ordinances to the City of Westport, PO Box 18, Westport, SD 57481-0018.

Dated this 19th day of August, 2014.

Doreen Hertel, Finance Officer (0812.0819)

Published twice at the total approximate cost of \$16.73.

**Brown County
Bellikka
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 Neil Bellikka for B & B Real Estate 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 Com-

mercial District, said property being described as follows: The East 488.98' of the West 1,037.3' of the North 670.16' of the NW ¼ of Sec 23-T123N-R63W, except highway, Brown County, SD (39213 133rd Street)

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)

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 #14-08-03/439 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)

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Brown County Prov. 2015 Budget



PROVISIONAL BUDGET FOR BROWN COUNTY, SD For Year January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015

Governmental Funds
Board of County Commissioners 419,455, Contingency 250,000, Elections 28,700, Courts 78,505, Auditor 320,305, Treasurer 538,418 Data Processing 492,772, States Attorney 678,045, Court Appointed Attorney 326,500, Abused & Neglected Child Defense 15,000, Building Maintenance 1,061,171, Director of Equalization 550,259, Register of Deeds 341,188, Veterans Service 159,384, Predatory Animal 3,916, GIS Coordinator 95,771 Sheriff 1,416,953, Jail 1,537,256, Coroner 29,523, JDC 861,656, Fire Protection 17,000, Support of Poor 680,000, County Nurse 18,540, Ambulance 25,000, FGP 1,000, Mentally Ill 100,000, Mentally Handicap 13,700, Worthmore/Alcohol Commitments 25,000, NE Mental Health Center 37,080, Libraries 45,000, Museum 397,509, Landmark Commission 500, Boys & Girls Club 5,000, Richmond Youth Camp 95,260, Fairgrounds 332,882, Fair 942,776, Area IV Nutrition 1,500, Ride Line 1,000, 4-H 65,678, Weed Control 215,897 Planning & Zoning 73,549 NECOG 23,178, Grow SD 2,500, Aberdeen Development Corp 20,000, Operating Transfers (EM 49,496 Road & Bridge 4,711,460, E911 254,209, Courthouse/Jail 200,000). Total Appropriations \$17,559,491.

Governmental Funds - means of finance:
Cash balance applied 2,621,018, Current Property Tax Levy 13,003,351 (less 22,171 to cities), Other taxes 113,472, Licenses & Permits 76,982, Intergovernmental Revenue 444,846, Charges for Goods & Services 1,949,299 Fines & Forfeit 27,581, Miscellaneous Revenue 153,876 Other Financing Sources 115,421 Less 5% (SDCL 7-21-18) 924,184. Total Means of Finance \$17,559,491.

Special purpose Governmental Funds:
Road and Bridge 8,773,303, Payment to other Governments 40,000. Total Appropriations \$8,813,303. Means of finance: Cash balance applied 275,000, Other Taxes 760,826, Licenses & Permits 9,763, Intergovernmental Revenue 3,015,507, Charges for Goods & Services 1,000, Miscellaneous Revenue 4,747, Other Financing Sources 4,746,460. Total Means of Finance \$8,813,303. E911 Fund Total Appropriations \$1,287,103. Means of Finance: Cash balance applied 375,000, Intergovernmental Revenue 645,344, Charges for Goods & Services 12,000, Miscellaneous Revenue 550, Other Financing Sources 254,209. Total Means of Finance \$1,287,103. Emergency Management Total Appropriations \$192,636 Means of Finance: Cash balance applied 85,000, Intergovernmental Revenue 58,000, Miscellaneous Revenue 140, Other Financing Sources 49,496. Total Means of Finance \$192,636. Safe Harbor \$15,000, Means of Finance: Licenses & Permits 8,000, Intergovernmental Revenue 3,400, Charges for Goods & Services 3,600. Total means of Finance \$15,000. Teen Court \$25,211, Means of Finance: Cash balance applied 9,281, Intergovernmental Revenue 15,000, Miscellaneous Revenue 930. Total means of Finance \$25,211. 24/7 Sobriety \$83,234, Total Means of Finance: Charges for Goods & Services \$83,234. Modernization & Preservation Relief Fund \$5,000, Total Means of Finance: Charges for Goods & Services \$5,000. BCT1 (Northern Beef) \$904,800, Total Means of Finance: TIF Increment 904,800. Proprietary Fund: Landfill Solid Waste 3,155,592. Means of Finance: Cash balance applied 810,393, Other taxes 7,646, Tipping Fee 1,729,295, Miscellaneous Revenue \$608,258. Total Means of Finance \$3,155,592.

ADOPTION OF PROVISIONAL BUDGET FOR BROWN COUNTY,

SD NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the Board of County Commissioners of Brown County, will meet in the Courthouse at Aberdeen South Dakota on Tuesday, September 2, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. for the purpose of considering the foregoing Provisional Budget for the year 2015 and the various items, schedules, amounts and appropriations set forth therein and as many days thereafter as is deemed necessary until the final adoption of the budget on the 30th day of September 2014. At such time any interested person may appear either in person or by a representative and will be given an opportunity for a full and complete discussion of all purposes, objectives, items, schedules, appropriations, estimates, amounts and matters set forth and contained in the Provisional Budget. Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor, Brown County, SD
Published once at the total approximate cost of \$42.53.

Groton School Aug. 11 Meeting Minutes



UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF EDUCATION GROTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 06-6
REGULAR MEETING August 11, 2014
President Smith called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the High School Conference Room. Members present: Hanson, Harder, Kjelden, Rix, Smith and Weismantel. Absent: Nelson. Others present were Supt. J. Schwan, Principals Dalchow and A. Schwan, and Business Manager Weber.

Moved by Harder, second Weismantel to approve the agenda with the following changes: under New Business Item #4 - amend hours per day for Barb Wacholz from 7.25 to 6.75, under New Business Item #4a - approve work agreement for Ryan Dix, under New Business Item #7a - acknowledge public school exemption #15-03 and under new Business Item #8a - approve open enrollments #15-10, #15-11, #15-12 and #15-13. Motion carried.
Moved by Rix, second Weismantel to approve the following consent agenda items as presented: school of record agenda items for North Central Special Ed Coop, District minutes of July 14, bills, financial reports, agency reports and investments and transportation requests from Langford and Webster School Districts to transport open enrolled students across district boundaries in accordance with SDCL 13-29-4. Motion carried.
GENERAL FUND: Net Salary - 49,640.57; FIT - 6,033.46; Medicare - 1,889.58; FICA - 8,079.56; SDSBF - 17,381.54; Washington National - 98.40; SD Retirement - 6,902.98; First National Bank - 100.00; Waddell & Reed - 584.28; American Fam-

ily Life - 545.75; Delta Dental - 983.10; SD Supplemental Retirement - 10,275.00; District Health Insurance - 20,000.00; A&B Business - supplies, 602.28; Aberdeen School District - supplies, 4,450.21; Acme Tools - supplies, 219.80; Agency Fund - advance payments, 10,912.66; Arbor Scientific - supplies, 74.72; Blick Art - supplies, 1,922.48; City of Groton - utilities, 7,524.21; Cole Papers - supplies, 909.81; Connecting Point - services, 4,000.00; Creative Teaching Press - supplies, 137.28; Cynmar - supplies, 33.12; Dakota Brush - supplies, 176.98; Demco - lib. supplies, 367.45; Dependable Sanitation - services, 982.00; Didax - supplies, 115.86; Duane's - fuel, 1,078.32; Edupress - supplies, 35.48; Eric Armin - supplies, 41.49; Farnams - battery, 124.09; Flaghouse - supplies, 20.76; Full Circle Ag - gas, 527.70; GCR Tires - tires, 411.04; James Gerdes - inspections, 1,050.00; Groton Area Fire Dist. - fire call, 195.00; Groton Chiropractic - physicals, 190.00; Groton Daily Independent - legal notices, 339.29; Joel Guthmiller - class fees, 80.00; Harlow's Bus Sales - parts, 324.76; Harlow's (Webster) - services, 1,742.85; Hauff Mid-America Sports - equipment, 2,685.89; Hillyard - supplies/services, 2,673.79; Houghton Mifflin Harcourt - workbks, 3,350.90; Ideal Distributors - plumbing supplies, 73.58; JW Pepper - music, 238.34; James Valley Telecomm. - services, 733.60; Greg Kjellsen - class fees, 80.00; Lakeshore Learning - supplies, 436.20; McDonald Publishing - supplies, 76.06; McGraw-Hill - workbks, 1,045.88; Menards - hose cart, 54.99; Mid-American Research Chemical - supplies, 2,651.63; Nasco - supplies, 473.10; Northern Hi Tech Consortium - assessment, 1,000.00; Northwestern Energy - electricity, 13.00; Palos Sports - supplies, 79.94; Pearson Education - supplies, 713.35; Premier Agendas - planners, 94.25; Really Good Stuff - supplies, 729.81; Renaissance Learning - online subscription, 1,320.00; Riddell - services, 1,699.09; S&S Lumber - supplies, 1,084.28; SASD - dues, 30.00; Scholastic Magazines - subscriptions, 457.33; School Datebooks - plan bks, 30.69; School Health Corp. - supplies, 153.20; School Specialty - supplies, 28.98; Joe Schwan - meals, 56.21; SD Dept of Public Safety - boiler fees, 60.00; SD Teacher Placement Center - membership, 420.00; Social Studies School Service - resources, 93.99; Teacher Created Resources - supplies, 142.32; Training Room - supplies, 1,913.11; Trend Enterprises - supplies, 302.08; William V. MacGill & Co. - supplies, 134.12. Total General Fund - \$186,233.57.
CAPITAL OUTLAY: A&B Business - chairs/equipment, 1,793.49; Agency Fund - adv pmts, 27,274.84; Apple - ipads, 17,118.00; Arbor Scientific - equipment, 173.88; AVI Systems - software maintenance, 500.00; CDW Government - ipad cases, 1,590.00; Cole Paper - locker

floor product, 91.56; Connecting Point - computers, 86,339.40; D&H Distributing - calculators, 1,305.00; Don Donley - project hours, 2,325.00; Floor to Ceiling Store - carpeting, 34,130.38; Hauff Mid-America Sports - equipment, 881.56; Hillyard - battery, 626.81; Houghton Mifflin Harcourt - health curriculum, 16,258.06; House of Glass - lockset, 334.26; Johnson Controls - rooftop unit pmt, 12,250.00; Kaplan Early Learning - JK equipment, 3,982.40; Klinger Paint - locker floor paint, 1,468.86; Marco - print contract, 1,676.75; McGraw-Hill - IA texts, 953.59; Nasco - equipment, 1,783.36; Scholastic Inc - books, 628.94; School Nurse Supply - AED units, 6,436.00; School Outfitters - lectern, 100.29; Travers Tool Co. - hardness tester, 1,358.23; Total Capital Outlay - \$221,380.66.
SPECIAL ED: Net Salary - 770.75; FIT - 30.86; Medicare - 26.86; FICA - 115.00; SD Retirement - 109.38; Aberdeen School Dist. - supplies, 106.50; Agency Fund - adv pmts, 1,498.60; Avera St. Luke's - services, 3,138.66; Blick Art - supplies, 23.77; Carson-Dellosa Publishing - supplies, 42.87; Creative Teaching press - supplies, 39.37; Great Ideas for Teaching - supplies, 69.25; Janelle Publications - supplies, 75.90; Lakeshore Learning Materials - supplies, 369.67; NCS Pearson - kit, 640.50; Pro-Ed - supplies, 394.79; Really Good Stuff - supplies, 214.72; Super Duper Publications - supplies, 409.75; Universal Pediatric Services - services, 80.00. Total Special Ed - \$8,157.20.
ENTERPRISE: Net Salary - 8,780.44; FIT - 782.01; Medicare - 316.12; FICA - 1,351.80; SDSBF - 848.73; SD Retirement - 1,010.06; American Family Life - 54.22; Aberdeen School Dist. - supplies, 8.80; Agency Fund - adv pmt, 104.37; Nardini Fire Equipment Co. - inspection, 198.00; Speedy Foods - food, 1,654.80. Total Enterprise Funds - \$15,109.35.
AGENCY FUND: Total - \$63,905.74.
RECEIPTS: Local Sources, Taxes - 481,641.35; Other Local Sources - 54,670.64; County Sources - 3,163.94; State Sources - 9,996.00; Federal Sources - 1,500.00. Total Receipts - \$550,971.93.
Members of the public were allowed five minutes to address the board on any topic of their choice. With no public members present to speak, the board proceeded with their remaining agenda items.
Supt. J. Schwan presented the quarterly internal control report. Areas discussed included credit cards and OST.
Building, Grounds and Transportation committee members discussed their meeting on August 5th concerning bus routes. No other committee reports were given.
The following topics were discussed in administrative reports: state Superintendent's Conference, ASBSD/SASD Joint Convention, ASBSD School Health

Plan Meeting, ASBSD August Bulletin, Fall In-services, Back to School Schedules, Legislative Study Group, building and grounds work progress updates, elementary enrollments, classroom improvements, schedule changes on August 18th, implementation of ICU program, MS/HS enrollments and teacher evaluations.
Bus Supervisor Loren Bahr presented proposed 2014-15 bus routes. Moved by Hanson, second Kjelden to approve the routes as presented. Motion carried.
Moved by Harder, second Hanson to approve lane change for Becky Erickson from BS to BS+15 for an additional \$600 pursuant to the 2013-15 Negotiated Agreement. Motion carried.
Moved by Weismantel, second Kjelden to approve the resignation of Elementary Paraprofessional Desiree Gonsoir. Motion carried.
Moved by Hanson, second Rix to hire Barb Wacholz as Elementary Paraprofessional for 2014-15 at \$10.25 per hour, 6.75 hours per day and 175 days per year for a total of \$12,107.81. Motion carried.
Moved by Weismantel, second Rix to hire Ryan Dix as Elementary Paraprofessional for 2014-15 at \$12.25 per hour, 6.75 hours per day and 170 days per year for a total of \$14,056.88. Motion carried.
Moved by Harder, second Weismantel to approve Craig Sternhagen as Volunteer Assistant Boys Soccer Coach for the 2014 season. Motion carried.
The board acknowledged receipt of Public School Exemption #15-01 for children in grades K & 4.
The board acknowledged receipt of Public School Exemption #15-02 for children in grades 7 & 11.
The board acknowledged receipt of Public School Exemption #15-03 for children in grades K & 1.
Moved by Weismantel, second Harder to approve Open Enrollment Application #15-09 for a student in grade 8 from the Aberdeen School District. Motion carried.
Moved by Rix, second Kjelden to approve Open Enrollment Application #15-10 for a student in grade 10, Application #15-11 for a student in grade 8, Application #15-12 for a student in grade 6 and Application #15-13 for a student in grade 4 from the Aberdeen School District. Motion carried.
Moved by Hanson, second Weismantel to go into executive session at 8:25 pm to discuss personnel issues pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1). Motion carried.
Smith declared the board out of executive session at 9:01 pm.
Moved by Kjelden, second Weismantel to adjourn. Motion carried.
M. J. Weber, Business Manager Dorene Nelson, President
The addition of signatures to this page verifies these minutes as official.
Published once at the total approximate cost of \$101.45.

Columbia City Aug. 5 Meeting Minutes



Unapproved Minutes
City of Columbia Council Meeting
August 5, 2014 7pm
CALL MEETING TO ORDER
Meeting called to order by Mayor Mitchell
ROLL CALL: E Kuschell-Harr, T Kampa, C Kampa, A Davis
Public attending: Kevin Hamilton, Kathy Vitense, Robert Vitense
MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Motion to approve by A Davis, 2nd T Kampa
FINANCIAL REPORT/WARRANT VOUCHERS: Warrants: Parks/Streets: Kevin Hamilton, 767.39 Jensen Rock & Sand; 738.42 HF Jacobs & Sons; 1084.19 Allen's Elec; 251.91 Marty Weismantel; 70.00 Brown County Treasurer; 912.51 Full Circle AG; 534.14 Utilities: James Valley Tecom, 139.82 North-Western Energy, 463.84 Web Water, 197.01 Repairs/Supplies: Keely's; 80.10 Andrew Davis (Praxair); 100.56 Wheat Growers; 134.09 S & S Lumber; 200.40 GCR Tires; 187.09 Artz Equipment; 254.96
Runnings, 228.73 Office Supplies; Legal: Petty Cash; 100.00 Publishing: Groton Independent; 20.28
Finance Officer Wages A Bisbee; 230.87 Andrew Davis (city wages); 610.90 Taxes: IRS 820.93
Sewer: NorthWestern Energy, 16.00 A Bisbee; 61.57 COMMUNITY COMMENTS
CORESPONDENCE
UNFINISHED BUSINESS
Nuisances - Complaint of dogs barking/running free, lawn to be mowed, A-frame needs to be moved, someone parking on the Early Daly property without permission, trash being stored in truck in front of a house.
Streets- Blade streets
Parks- Applying for permission to put boat ramp in by bridge, will be painting all picnic tables and bleachers. Names need to be added to monument at ball park.
Lagoon/sewer- Was sprayed and inspected
Sewer accounts- One account past due
Rubble Site- Has been sprayed and mowed.
NEW BUSINESS: Look into getting a city sales tax
Motion to adjourn by C Kampa, 2nd by T Kampa
Published once at the total approximate cost of \$18.76.

	MONTHLY DISTRICT FINANCIAL REPORT FOR GROTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT 06-6								
	For the reporting period beginning July 1, 2014, and ending July 31, 2014								
	General Fund	Restricted Gen Funds	Capital Outlay	Special Education	Pension Fund	Bond Redemption	Enterprise Fund	Agency Fund	Total for District
1. Beginning Balance	1,622,757.88	32,052.21	672,674.55	231,522.95	0.00	146,425.94	60,963.29	193,111.52	2,959,508.34
a. cash	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
b. securities invested	1,622,757.88	32,052.21	672,674.55	231,522.95	0.00	146,425.94	60,963.29	193,111.52	2,959,508.34
2. Transfers in									
3. Revenue to date	490,980.79	0.00	5,087.25	3,192.17	700.98	509.82	11,087.22	39,413.70	550,971.93
4. Total accounted for	2,113,738.67	32,052.21	677,761.80	234,715.12	700.98	146,935.76	72,050.51	232,525.22	3,510,480.27
5. Transfers out									
6. Expenditures to date	186,530.91	0.00	249,904.46	10,994.05	0.00	0.00	20,300.07	63,905.74	531,635.23
a. encumbrances	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
b. disbursements	186,530.91	0.00	249,904.46	10,994.05	0.00	0.00	20,300.07	63,905.74	531,635.23
7. Ending Balance	1,927,207.76	32,052.21	427,857.34	223,721.07	700.98	146,935.76	51,750.44	168,619.48	2,978,845.04
a. cash	600,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	600,200.00
b. securities invested	1,327,007.76	32,052.21	427,857.34	223,721.07	700.98	146,935.76	51,750.44	168,619.48	2,378,645.04
July Receipts	490,980.79	0.00	5,087.25	3,192.17	700.98	509.82	11,087.22	39,413.70	550,971.93
July Expenses	186,530.91	0.00	249,904.46	10,994.05	0.00	0.00	20,300.07	63,905.74	531,635.23
Agency Cash on Hand	0.00								
District Savings	2,378,645.04								
Certificate of Deposit	0.00								
District Cash on Hand	0.00								
Total for District	2,378,645.04								

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Council authorizes half million dollar bond to pay bills

The cash flow is dwindling until November, but the bills are still coming in. As of Monday, City Finance Officer Anita Lowary reported that there was \$25,000 in the checking account, \$4,000 in savings and \$110,000 in Certificate of Deposits. The west side street project still has about \$380,000 left to be paid and there is another \$50,000 in engineering fees plus the regular bills. She said that there is \$270,000 in property tax and \$220,000 in sales tax that is expected to come in by November.

Receipts from the baseball program and the pool are also down this year, helping to create the shortfall in funds. The budget for this year had a shortfall of \$170,000. "We budgeted to be in the hole?" ask Councilman Burt Glover. "How is that a budget?" Lowary said for the past 33 years, the councils have budgeted a shortfall as there are projects that do not get done. "It's worked out for us for 33 years," Lowary said, "but this year, it's catching up with us."

The council then decided to authorize for a short term loan in the amount of \$500,000 and will be paid back by the end of the year. With the shortfall of funds, it is likely that the city council will start the 2015 budget year with little money in the checking account. The 2015 budget was presented to the council with expenditures of \$5.5 million and revenues of \$4.3 million, resulting in a \$1.2 million shortfall. The council will have a special meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 26 to discuss the budget and find ways to make it balance.

The council authorized to have Neal Abeln spray the cemetery, park, pool and community center for weeds for \$1,000. There was discussion on the bills which included the paying of umpires for midget games. It was originally set up that umpires would receive a pop and hot dog to umpire. Groton has joined the Northeast South Dakota League and league rules indicated that the umpire behind the

plate will be paid \$20 and the one behind the line will be paid \$15. That amounted to \$500 being paid out for midget umpires.

The baseball complex was discussed and Councilman David Blackmun talked about the meeting he attended with the baseball committee. It was agreed to have one committee instead of two for baseball. The officers are Lars Hanson, president; Kathy Bjerke, secretary; Brenda Waage, treasurer; Matt Locke, director of baseball facility; Justin Hanson, director of promotion and advertising; Steve Giedt, director of fundraiser and David Blackmun, liaison between city and baseball committee. The main order of business is to replace the outfield fence and the backstop. An estimate of \$16,000 was received to replace the whole outfield fence. The committee would have to come up with the money to pay for the project as there is less than \$3,000 left in the baseball budget. There will be a board of directors meeting on Monday, Aug. 25, 7 p.m., at the Groton Legion. Anyone interested in the baseball program should attend this meeting.

Second reading was given to Ordinance 693 which prevents people from blowing or mowing grass and leaves into the streets, alleys or sidewalks. The ordinance will be placed under the street department and will be enforced by the police department who could give warnings or citations if they spot someone in violation of the ordinance.

Modern Woodmen has donated \$1,000 to the city for trees. The trees will be planted in the city park.

Someone complained about a neighbor's yard and pictures were presented. "We're serious about this cleanup program," said Councilman Michelle Muilenburg. The council decided to send the friendly letter letter. There was also discussion on other properties where no cleanup efforts have been done yet. The council decided that the city will proceed with court proceedings against those property owners who have not cleaned up their property.

An update on the west side street project was given. The concrete work is suppose to be done by Wednesday and the asphalt is expected to be laid down next week. The project is suppose to be done by September 1.

Clint Jacobson, Jr., has purchased the former Fritz's Place at the south end of Main Street, on the east corner. Hanlon Brothers has begun tearing it down and materials have been hauled to the rubble site. It was reported that only bricks are being hauled to the rubble site.

Betty Breck came before the council to talk about the Brown County Historical Society. She was not looking for any funds, but encouraged the city to join the society as an organization. Breck is applying for a Deadwood grant to restore the stained glass windows at the historic Trinity church in Groton. The grant requires that there be a letter of support from the local governing board, which is the city council, and from other organizations, to show support for the restoration of the church. Breck said that without repairs, the windows only have two to three years of life left in them.

Two public works employees were authorized to attend the South Dakota Water and Wastewater meeting in Watertown Sept. 17-19.

The curb and gutter special assessment bond resolution was passed setting the interest rates of the special assessments.

The September 1 council meeting will be moved to Tuesday, Sept. 2, due to Labor Day falling on that Monday.

A letter from Allison Weber was read. She proposed having a community sports day/fun day at the baseball complex to help raise funds and to perhaps bring back the Johnny Holm dance. It is something that may be considered next year, if the people can be found to run the event.

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