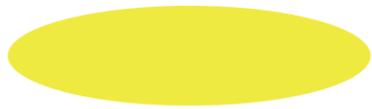


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Groton to host soccer playoff games

Groton Area and Sioux Falls Christian are the top two seeded teams in the Class A Boys post-season soccer round. Fourth seeded Tea Area will host fifth seeded Hot Springs and third seeded James Valley Christian will host sixth seeded St. Thomas More in games set for Tuesday, Sept. 30. On October 4, top seeded Sioux Falls Christian will host the winner of the Tea-Hot Springs game and second seeded Groton Area will host the winner of JV Christian-St. Thomas More. The championship is set for Saturday, Oct. 11, in Mitchell.

In the girls bracket on Tuesday, Sept. 30, fourth seeded Groton Area will host fifth seeded Vermillion and third seeded Tea Area will host sixth seeded West Central. Then on October 4, St. Thomas More will host the winner of the Groton-Vermillion game and second seeded Belle Fourche will host the winner of the Tea-West Central game. The championship is set for Saturday, Oct. 11, in Mitchell.

Build Some Hometown Pride

These are some snapshots taken by a Groton Garden Club member illustrating home and yard improvements going on in Groton.



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The First State Bank had the best commercial float at the GHS Homecoming Parade held Friday.



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Soccer team beats Mitchell Christian

The Groton High School Boys Soccer team played Mitchell Christian on Tuesday, September 23rd in Groton and won 7-0. The game, one of two home games scheduled for Homecoming Week 2014, was played in wet and rainy conditions. The Tigers scored at the 29 minute mark with a pass from Rayce Harder to Luke Sternhagen and the goal by Wyatt Kurtz. At 11:48 Martin Rygg scored an unassisted goal and at 7:48 Jacob Milbrandt scored the final goal of the first half with an assist by Luke Sternhagen.

In the second half, Lane Weig scored at 30:00 minutes on a rebound off the goalie. Rayce Harder scored on a header at 25:00 minutes with an assist to Zach Crosby. Martin Rygg scored his second unassisted goal at 24:00. The final Tiger goal was a header by Wyatt Kurtz with an assist by Martin Rygg. Chance Strom was the Groton goalie. The Tigers are coached by Mike Becker and Craig Sternhagen



Zach Crosby



Lane Weig



Rayce Harder

Cyloes defeat Tigers in volleyball

Groton's volleyball team suffered a 3-0 loss to the hands of Clark-Willow Lake Thursday night in Clark. Game scores were 25-18, 25-12 and 25-16.

Groton was 39 of 48 in serving with three ace serves. Marlee Jones was eight of 10 with two ace serves and Josie Doeden was 12 of 12.

In sets, Groton was 63 of 63 with 14 assists. Courtney Kurtz had 61 sets and 14 assists.

Groton was 73 of 94 in spikes with 19 kills. Josie Doeden was 13 of 18 with five kills and Audry Wanner was 15 of 17 with five kills.

Doeden and Maggie Simon each had one block. Kasey Waage had 21 of the team's 68 digs and Ashley Gibbs had 16 and Audrey Wanner 12.

Groton won the junior varsity match, 25-11 and 25-20, and Groton won the C match, 24-26, 25-21 and 15-13.

Coffee Cup League

Team Standings: James Valley 8, Ten Pins 7, Farm Girls 7, Ken's 7, Jungle Lanes 5, Golden Girls 2.

High Games: Joyce Walter 197-194, Vicki Walter 177, Mary Jane Jark 166.

High Series: Joyce Walter 526, Vicki Walter 480, Vickie Kramp 450.

Warner beats Groton Area in volleyball

Warner came to town Tuesday night took home with them a clean sweep in volleyball matches. Warner won the varsity match, 3-0, with game scores of 25-14, 25-13 and 25-12. They won the junior varsity match, 2-0, with game scores of 25-16 and 25-12, and they won the C match, 2-0, with game scores of 25-14 and 25-18.

In serving, Groton was 33 of 39 with Ashley Gibbs being eight of nine and Marlee Jones seven of eight. Warner was 64 of 74 with 10 ace serves. Kaitlyn Rozell was 16 of 16 with four ace serves and Alexa Boesl was 11 of 12 with two ace serves.

In sets, Groton was 67 of 67 with nine assists. Courtney Kurtz was 64 of 64 with eight assists. Warner was 102 of 102 with 42 assists. Ashley Rozell was 51 of 51 with 23 assists and Reilly Fuhrman was 42 of 42 with 14 assists.

Groton was 60 of 71 in spikes with 10 kills. Tori Bjerke was nine of 11 with four kills and Josie Doeden was 15 of 16. Warner was 87 of 100 with 46 kills. Ashley Rozell was 28 of 30 with 17 kills and Jaici Schlosser was 24 of 26 with 17 kills.

Doeden had all four of Groton's blocks and Ashley Rozell had one for Warner.

Groton had 52 digs with Kasey Waage having 13 and Gibbs having 11. Warner had 45 digs with Kaitlyn Boesl having 22.

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It was a nice size Groton Area crowd on hand for Friday's homecoming football game. Spencer Knecht tries to get away from Sioux Valley's Alec Bultje, but Bultje caught Knecht's jersey just long enough for Landon Stevens (40) to close in on the tackle. Knecht gained 26 yards on the run and it gave Groton a first down.

Sioux Valley spoils GHS homecoming by 1 point

It may have been homecoming week and Friday was a weather perfect day for all kinds of homecoming activities, but the evening football game ended up in a one-point game with Sioux Valley going home the winners.

There were a lot of little things that could have put Groton over the top, but as Coach Shaun Wanner said, "In a close game, those things count - penalties, turnovers, missed tackles and missed blocks."

Sioux Valley scored first with just 1:45 gone in the game when Brock Schwartz scored on a two-yard run. Hunter Tretjen kicked the PAT and it was quickly 7-0.

Groton would score early in the second quarter when Adam Herman caught a pass from Jackson Doeden with 10:09 left in the second quarter for 47 yards. Jacob Milbrandt kicked the PAT and it was a tied game. Then Rayce Harder picked up a fumble and dashed 36 yards to score for the Tigers. Milbrandt kicked the PAT and Groton was on top, 14-7.

Groton had two field goal opportunities into the wind, but both were short. Sioux Valley had a long drive at the end of the first half and it was finished with an eight-yard run by Hayden Hall with 53

seconds left in the half. Hunter Tietjen kicked the PAT and the game was tied at 14 at halftime.

Groton scored in the third quarter on a Jackson Doeden two-yard run. The setting of the PAT kick was bobbled and the result was no extra point for Groton. Sioux Valley scored with 6:43 left in the game on a one-yard run by Brock Schwartz. The PAT kick attempt was bobbled; however, there was a penalty on Sioux Valley and they got a second chance five feet further back. They made the PAT kick and it was 21-20.

"Our kids played hard," Wanner said, "but sometimes, things just don't go your way. We knew it was going to be a hard fought battle."



Rayce Harder picks up a fumble and returns it 36 yards for a touchdown.



Adam Herman makes the catch for a 47-yard pass play for a touchdown in the second quarter.

Wanner said the Tigers were trying to get down to the 15 or 20 yard line and give Jacob Milbrandt a chance to win the game with a



Jackson Doeden goes head to head with Sioux Valley's Hunter Tietjen

field goal; however, the Tigers fumbled the ball at midfield with 1:48 left in the game to end the drive.

Sioux Valley had more first downs, 18-15. Groton had 36 carries for 158 yards while Sioux Valley had 51 carries for 198 yards. In passing, Groton was eight of 10 for 113 yards and one interception. Sioux Valley was three of six for 60 yards and one interception. Each team had one fumble. Groton had eight penalties for 60 yards (seven in the first half) while Sioux Valley had seven penalties for 45 yards.

Jackson Doeden had 20 carries for 74 yards, completed five of five passes for 102 yards and had 11 tackles. Bennett Shabazz had seven carries for 26 yards and had two catches for 10 yards. Spencer Knecht had eight carries for 58 yards, had one interception, caught four passes for 49 yards and had 12 tackles. Adam Herman had one catch for 47 yards and had one carry for no gain. Kelby Hawkins completed three of four passes for 11 yards. Chance Strom had one catch for six yards and Austin Merkel had nine tackles.

For Sioux Valley, Hayden Hall had 19 carries for 109 yards.

Groton, now 2-3 on the season, will travel to Milbank on Friday. Sioux Valley is 2-2.

Wanner said Groton is still doing very well. "We're still in the running for hosting a first round play-off game." While Milbank may be 1-4 on the season, Wanner cautioned, "We're not the team that's going to blow anybody away. We'll have to claw and scratch our way through each game."



Bennett Shabazz grabs a hold of Brock Swartos' leg while Spencer Knecht (19) and Logan Lane (56) bring Swartos down.

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Thursday was Color at at GHS. Left to right 6-8 graders Colby Merkel 1st place , Tiarra DeHoet 2nd place, and Alyssa Fordham 3rd place. Not pictured are Nick Menzia 1st place and Marshall Lane 2 place from grades 9-10 , Devon Poppen 1st place and Ethan Braun 2nd place 11-12 grade

Wednesday was Disney Day at GHS. The winners are pictured above. Left to right are Payton Johnson 6-8 grade 3rd place, Gabbie Kramer 9-10 grade 1st place , Grady O'Neil 6-8 grade 1st place, Keri Kappas 9-10 grade 2nd place, Nicole Marzahn 6-8 grade 2nd place, Lily Cutler 11-12 grade 1 st place, and Allison Weber 11-12 grade 2nd place.



Tuesday was Rock 'N Roll Day at GHS. The winners are pictured above. Left to right Logan Lane 11-12 grade 2nd place, Tessa Erdman 6-8grade 2nd place, Kiana Kokalas 11-12 grade 1st place, Hailey Monson 6-8th grade 1st place, Alex Stange 9-10 grade 1st place, and Anthony Schinkel 6-8 grade 3rd place. Not pictured is Hattie Weismental 9-10 2nd place.

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Frederick City Budget Resolution

Town of Frederick
2nd Reading of Ordinance 193
Budget and Appropriations 2015

The 2nd Reading of the 2015 Budget and Appropriations was held at the Community Center on September 15, 2014, at 7 PM. Present were Board members Chairman R. Scott Campbell, Tom Meyer, Bob Smith, and Finance Officer Diane Bruns.

Chairman Campbell called the meeting to order. The board gave final review of the 2015 budget. The following Ordinance was offered:

Ordinance #193
2015 Appropriations

Be it ordained by the City of Frederick that motion has been made by Bob Smith and seconded by Tom Meyer to adopt the 2015 Budget and Appropriations as presented. The total budget is \$221,823.00 for the 2015 budget year for maintenance and operations of the Town of Fredaerick and to meet its obligations.

Roll call vote: Campbell-aye; Meyer-aye; Smith-aye. Motion Carried.

There being no further business to come before the board, meeting was adjourned, motioned by Meyer/Smith. Motion Carried.

Diane Bruns,
Frederick Finance Officer
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Westport Town Budget Resolution

NOTICE OF SECOND READING
ORDINANCE REVISION FOR THE CITY OF WESTPORT, SOUTH DAKOTA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Westport will hold the second reading of the Westport City Ordinances, being ordinances in revision, on the 6th day of October, 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 or e-mail Westportcity@nrctv.com. You

may also send your comments concerning the City Ordinances to the City of Westport, PO Box 18, Westport, SD 57481-0018.

Dated this 23rd day of September, 2014.

Doreen Hertel, Finance Officer
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Brown County Voter Registration Notice

NOTICE OF DEADLINE FOR VOTER REGISTRATION

Voter registration for the General Election to be held on November 4, 2014, will close on October 20, 2014. Failure to register by this date will cause forfeiture of voting rights for this election. If you are in doubt about whether you are registered, check the Voter Information Portal at www.sdsos.gov or call the county auditor at (605) 626-7110.

Registration may be completed during regular business hours at the county auditor's office, municipal finance office, secretary of state's office and those locations which provide driver's licenses, SNAP, TANF, WIC, military recruitment, and assistance to the disabled as provided by the Department of Human Services. You may contact the county auditor to request a mail-in registration form or access a mail-in form at www.sdsos.gov.

Voters with disabilities may contact the county auditor for information and special assistance in voter registration, absentee voting, or polling place accessibility.

Maxine Fischer, County Auditor
Brown County, South Dakota (0930.1007)
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BNSF Communication Pole

PUBLIC NOTICE
Notice of Initiation of the Section 106 Process-Public Participation in accordance with the FCC's Program Comment for Positive Train Control and Infrastructure. BNSF Railway proposes to construct an approximately 50' monopole communications pole at the following approximate locations in/near Groton, Brown

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Parties interested in providing comment on the proposed undertaking relative to cultural resources should contact GSS, Inc., 3311 109th Street, Urbandale, IA 50322 (515) 331-2103(GSS #V14966-SD-45).

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Groton City Muienburg Variance

NOTICE OF VARIANCE HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT The Groton Planning & Zoning Commission will be holding a public hearing on October 14, 2014 at 7:00pm CDT at City Hall, 209 N Main, Groton, SD for a variance of Title 8, Section 8.0106 of the Groton Zoning Ordinance. This application was made by Craig & Michelle Muienburg, 13402 Sunset Dr, Groton, SD, for the reduction in side yard from 60 feet to 40 feet for the construction of a shop & house on property legally described as Sunset Ridge Estates 1st Ext, Lot 1. A variance is required for the reduction in required minimum side yard size in an Agricultural Fringe Protection (Ag) District.

Any person wishing to present testimony for or against this variance may appear in person or by representative at the above time and place.

Anita Lowary
Zoning Administrator
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Weed Notices

Henry Township Weed Notice

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Darlene Sass
Township Clerk

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Bruce Sippel
Township Clerk

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Brown County Sept. 23 Meeting Minutes



SEPTEMBER 23, 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.

YEARS OF SERVICE AWARDS: The Commission presented the following employees Certificates of Appreciation for Years of Service to Brown County with congratulations and thanks for their service to the County: Carol Wolf 25 years, Scott Kolb 25 years, Kathryn Neitzel 30 years, Leo Leshar 35 years, John Weig 35 years and Judy Dosch 40 years.

MINUTES: Moved by Kippley, seconded by Wiese to approve the General Meeting minutes of September 9, 2014. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

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

Payroll: Commission \$3,527.51; Commission Assistant/Human Resources \$4,284.88; Auditor \$7,124.47; Treasurer \$11,647.67; Data Processing \$3,552.16; State's Attorney \$14,495.61; Blood Draws \$700.00; SVA-WA Grant \$1,825.94; Maintenance \$6,067.92; Assessor \$12,733.30; Register of Deeds \$8,422.87; Veterans Service Office \$3,260.55; GIS \$2,147.60; Sheriff Admin \$32,554.86; Jail \$33,295.62; Coroner \$1,350.00; JDC \$16,058.28; HD \$5,358.44; Welfare Office \$3,104.47; Museum \$6,928.16; Parks & Fairgrounds \$5,061.05; Fair Board \$2,956.60; 4-H \$1,159.20; Weed \$4,033.63; Planning and Zoning \$1,538.46; Highway \$49,623.87; Communications \$21,193.07; Emergency Management \$3,209.72; Teen Court \$52.96; 24/7 \$2,656.68; Landfill \$12,398.15

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Repairs & Maintenance: 446-Praxair \$6.45; Aberdeen Plumbing & Heating \$2,260.66; Chris & Dan's Tarp & Canvas \$70.00; Crawford Trucks & Equip. \$461.50; Custom Glass & Repair \$200.00; Dakota Electronics \$55.00; Dakota Fluid Power \$351.34; DSG \$236.80; Environmental Dust Control \$23,335.88; Farm Power Mfg. \$19.00; G & K Services \$285.97;

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Supplies: 446-Praxair \$923.25; A & B Business \$161.26; Aberdeen Transmission \$136.00; Ameripride \$490.08; Asphalt Paving & Materials \$18,673.60; Best Business Products \$176.80; Bonnie Bitz \$192.00; CarQuest Auto Parts \$1,409.63; Cartney Bearing \$46.48; Cash-Wa \$3,846.93; Century Business Products \$397.00; Crescent Electric Supply \$476.34; Dakota Electronics \$712.00; Dakota Fluid Power \$567.64; Dakota Mailing \$146.37; Dakota Oil \$378.00; DSG \$1541.16; Danko Emergency Equip. \$90.00; DT Pharmacy \$1,985.26; Earthgrains \$309.81; Environmental Dust Control \$24,399.00; Farm Power Mfg. \$822.02; Farnams Genuine Parts \$1,395.24; FedEx \$19.93; Flint Hills Resources \$117,639.37; Galls \$126.95; Gardner Locksmithing \$185.05; GCR Tires & Service \$729.76; GovConnection \$2,009.98; Hall Sand & Gravel \$106.18; Ken's \$187.52; Kessler's \$1,148.94; Kirk's Auto \$14.80; Marianne Marttila-Klipfel \$40.67; Kmart Pharmacy \$13.12; Lang's \$1,599.97; Lien's \$17,069.59; Marco \$74.79; Mathew Bender \$160.43; Medical Waste Transport \$152.79; Menards \$207.64; Midstates Printing \$39.99; Midwest Pump & Tank \$1,237.06; Jo Miller \$139.98; Millstone Restaurant \$127.50; Corey Mitchell \$1,148.32; NADA Appraisal Guides \$294.00; Nalco Co. \$992.40; NCFE-Warner Elevator \$5,984.30; Network Services \$977.78; North Star \$285.99; Northwind Machine \$341.00; Fritz W. Pigors \$210.00; Pitney Bowes \$5,000.00; Sherri Rawstern \$122.90; Running's \$301.85; Sid Schroeder \$19.95; SDN Communications \$539.04; Sewing Shoppe \$9.00; Taylor Laundry \$63.00; Titan \$177.05; TrueNorth Steel \$6,956.00; Woodman Refrigeration \$1,257.21.

Fair Premiums: Callie Aamont \$15.00; Achen Swiss Farms \$72.50; Al-Shar Holsteins \$339.50; Laura Alexander \$107.00; Maria Barnett \$20.50; Brady Beitelspacher \$46.00; Bryce Beitelspacher \$500.00; Cooper Bischoff \$28.00; Peyton Bischoff \$71.00; Abby Blagg \$15.00; Ryan Blagg \$20.00; Bralock Cattle Co. \$656.50; Bruce Hoffman Family \$464.50; Hailey Bruckner \$46.50; Cherrywood Milking Shorthorns \$93.50; Drew Dennert \$17.00; Elsa Dennert \$10.00; George Dennert \$83.00; Kimberly Dillavou \$7.00; Dosch's TMD Katahdins \$178.50; Regan Dykema \$6.50; John Eilertson \$30.00; Brianna Erdmann \$58.00; Tessa Erdmann \$185.50; Cadence Fiest \$6.50; Faith Flihs \$45.50; Mikayla Forsting \$20.00; Frey-View Dairy Farm \$99.00; Izzy Friedt \$29.00; Fritz Bruchner Montadale \$221.50; Ben Galbreath/Harmony Dorsets \$157.50; Brooklyn Gilbert \$25.50; Tavia Gozmar \$34.50; Chance Gregg \$45.00; Jordan Hamann \$7.00; Hailey Hanson \$17.00; Jennifer Hanson \$35.50; Megan Hanson \$20.50; Miranda Hanson \$17.00; Chance Hassebroek \$33.00; Emily Hauck \$44.50; Jacob Hauck \$53.50; Jace Haven \$29.00; Jarret Haven \$26.00; Justin Haven \$15.00; Debra Heiden \$21.00; Bailey Heim \$16.50; Brooke Heim \$51.00; Peyton Hellman \$16.50; Riley Hellman \$60.50; Sydney Hofer \$34.50; Kadey Holm \$15.00; Kasi Holm \$10.00; Jan Houghtaling \$240.00; Spencer Hovde \$42.50; Maryn Howard \$60.00; Chris Jakober \$55.00; Glenn Jacober \$260.00; Brenna Johnson \$15.00; Porter Johnson \$10.00; Trevor Johnson \$80.00; Jayla Jones \$20.00; Makayla Jones \$20.00; Shaye Jungwirth \$53.50; Sterling Kappes \$803.50; Sierra Kessler \$17.00; Whyatt Kessler \$11.50; Pierce

Kettering \$20.50; Portia Kettering \$17.00; Kylan Krueger \$2.00; Lane Krueger \$415.50; Liza Krueger \$39.00; Josie LaMee \$20.00; Ellie Larson \$26.00; Lazy J-Bar Ranch \$316.00; Kaden Leddy \$16.50; Kiera Leddy \$34.50; Korbin Leddy \$26.00; Trefit Limousine \$790.00; Aaron Linke \$20.50; Jonathan Linke \$20.50; Nathan Linke \$17.00; Hadan Malpert \$10.00; Harlie Malpert \$5.00; Tate McGraw \$34.50; Taylor McGraw \$9.00; Garrett Mertens \$15.00; Tanner Mertens \$40.00; Mallory Miller \$9.00; Hanna Miller \$31.50; Cole Mitzel \$10.50; Johnathan Mitzel \$10.50; Matthew Mitzel \$15.50; Brett Nelson \$95.00; MaKayla Nelson \$260.00; Casey Nilsson \$17.00; Daniel O'Gren \$58.50; Cade Opheim \$114.75; Clay Osterday \$116.00; Katie Osterman \$25.50; Lexi Osterman \$73.50; Steven Paulson \$10.50; Blake Peskey \$21.00; Kyla Peskey \$29.00; Quaid Peterson \$43.00; Rayleigh Peterson \$27.50; Kale Pharis \$37.50; Alex Preszler \$18.00; Katie Preszler \$18.00; Nathan Preszler \$17.00; Paris Prissel \$5.00; Qres Southdowns \$99.00; Austin Rawden \$65.00; Charlie Rawden \$9.00; RCA Valley Angus \$66.00; Kaitlyn Ringgenberg \$30.00; Logan Ringgenberg \$53.50; Haley Ringkob \$41.00; Shari Rosow \$89.50; Morgan Rozell \$20.50; Sauk Valley Holsteins \$180.00; Adrienne Schaunaman \$629.00; Cora Schaunaman \$28.50; Dylan Schaunaman \$10.00; Karly Schaunaman \$51.75; Katie Schelske \$35.00; Mason Schelske \$30.00; Lyndsey Schmitz \$345.00; Shady Lane Farms \$144.00; Daniel Sharp \$45.00; Isaiah Sharp \$16.50; Jessemy Sharp \$23.00; Travis Sharp \$41.00; Taylor Sinkie \$32.00; Brooke Skoglund \$411.50; Trey Skoglund \$71.50; Letitia Smith \$176.00; Brody Sombke \$21.00; Wyatt Sombke \$268.00; Alexandra Stange \$10.50; Stearns Brothers \$27.50; Jonny Sumption \$26.00; Tage Taylor \$6.50; Taryn Taylor \$21.00; Jacob Tobin \$7.00; Lily Tobin \$13.00; Hannah Toennies \$21.00; Myra Toennies \$28.00; Tollefson's Woolie Acres \$25.50; Travis Townsend \$26.00; Derek Van Asselt \$5.00; Tanner Van Asselt \$60.00; John VanDover \$10.00; Collin Vanderwal \$20.50; Dallis Vanderwal \$32.00; Lane Vanderwal \$17.00; Mitchell Vanderwal \$50.00; Sadie Vanderwal \$37.50; April Waldner \$14.00; Michelle Wasland \$33.00; Hannah Webb \$166.00; Allison Weissner \$95.00; Wesley Wendel \$20.00; Carly Wheating \$529.50; Ava Wienk \$13.50; Wolff Suffolk's \$460.00; Taylor Wolff \$6.00; Madalyn Wright \$30.00.

Travel & Conference: Scott Bader \$288.90; Best Western Ramkota \$1,832.94; City of Groton \$85.84; ClubHouse Hotel \$1,965.00; Comfort Inn \$231.00; Kathy Fischer \$455.64; Jason Herbeck \$302.00; Leo Leshar \$291.87; Gene Loeschke \$453.29; Scott Meints \$87.00; Russell Metz \$371.51; Dave Meyer \$438.18; Cindy Meyers \$160.69; Clay Nelson \$149.46; Andrea Sjomeling \$361.32; Patty VanMeter \$9.00; Patti Woods \$87.00; Mary Worlie \$86.08.

Utilities: Aberdeen City Treasurer \$6,075.01; CenturyLink \$4,010.71; City of Hecla \$91.52; Dependable Sanitation \$451.00; Exec. Mgmt. Finance \$106.11; North Star \$228.76; Northern Electric \$27.00; NVC \$480.73; NWPS \$11,328.84; Verizon \$680.65.

Improvements Other Than Buildings: B & B Contracting \$238,474.87.

Machinery & Equipment: Crawford Trucks & Equip. \$24,000.00.

Other: 4H Leader's Assoc. \$85.00; Pizza Ranch \$77.52; Safe Harbor \$1,829.45. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL: Moved by Kippley, seconded by Wiese to approve the following employee step increases, effective September 28, 2014: Ross Erickson @ \$19.53 per hour, Jessica Rychlik @ \$14.04 per hour, Dennis VanHeerde @ \$16.62 per hour, Catherina Sauer @ \$13.58 per hour, Roy Oberle @ \$14.61 per

hour. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Fischbach seconded by Wiese to approve hiring Brian Marcuson as a part-time JDC Correctional Officer, effective September 22, 2014 at \$11.94 per hour. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

LEASE AGREEMENTS: Moved by Kippley, seconded by Wiese to approve the following agreements: Celtic Faire for lease of the Expo Building and Expo Addition on September 20 -21, 2014; Allen Larson (Groton Class Reunion for Parade) for lease of the brown People Mover on September 26, 2014; Aberdeen Humane Society for lease of the Club House on September 27-28, 2014; and further deny request, submitted by State of South Dakota for lease of the Richmond Lake Youth Camp from October 7 through November 7, 2014, as no certificate of insurance naming Brown County additionally insured was provided. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ABATEMENT: Moved by Wiese, seconded by Fischbach to approve the following Abatement: Rose Hubert @ \$4,305.00 (Aberdeen City Special Assessment). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

LANDFILL UNIT 2 CELL 2 PAYMENT #5: Moved by Kippley seconded by Wiese to approve and authorize Chairman to sign Pay Request #5 for Landfill Unit 2 Cell 2 Construction Project to B & B Contracting in amount of \$238,474.87. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

PLAT: Commissioner Hansen offered the following Resolution: RESOLUTION #63-14. BE IT RESOLVED by the County Commission of Brown County, SD, that the plat showing "Harry Implement Second Addition to the Town of Ferney in the SW 1/4 of Sec 31-T122N-R60W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD" having been examined is hereby approved in accordance with the provisions of SDCL of 1967, Chapter 11-3, and any amendments thereof. Seconded by Commissioner Wiese. Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-aye, Kippley-aye, Fischbach-aye, Wiese-aye, Sutton-aye. Resolution adopted.

TEEN COURT JABG APPLICATION: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Wiese to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign application for Department of Corrections - Juvenile Accountability Block Grant in amount of \$4,824.00 (90% DOC, 10% County), effective October 1, 2014 - September 30, 2015. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

SHERIFF REPORT: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Kippley to approve the following August 2014 Sheriff Report: Incidents and offenses, Prisoner care, JDC, and Money deposited with the County Treasurer. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

HR 4315: Commissioner Hansen offered the following Resolution: RESOLUTION #64-14. RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PASSAGE OF HR 4315. WHEREAS, Brown County is concerned about counties that have been inundated by expanded and new listings of endangered species; and WHEREAS, the impacts to counties of these listings includes economic, social and human resource reductions that many times are unknown to counties prior to proposed listings; and WHEREAS, the tactics used by groups to force these listings preclude inclusion of counties in the initial planning of any recovery effort and are not consistent with other federal acts; and WHEREAS, facing current economic conditions, counties believe that transparency and accountability must be paramount in any proposed recovery process; NOW, THEREFORE, the Brown County Commission does hereby adopt, in its entirety, this resolution and requests our South Dakota Congressional Delegation to SUPPORT HR 4315 passed by the United States House of Representatives on July 29, 2014 and further requests that all bills brought before Congress that will benefit counties by adding transparency,

accountability and that further modernize the Endangered Species Act be favorable voted for; and Does direct its administrator to prepare and furnish a certified copy of this Resolution for submission to the South Dakota Congressional delegation. Seconded by Commissioner Fischbach. Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-aye, Kippley-aye, Fischbach-aye, Wiese-aye, Sutton-aye. Resolution adopted.

LANDFILL UNIT 1 CLOSURE SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Hansen to approve and authorize Chairman sign the Certificate of Substantial Completion document for the Landfill Unit 1 Closure Project with B & B Contracting. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

AGREEMENT: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Wiese to approve and authorize the Chairman sign Agreement with Sanford Clinic for purpose of providing adequate medical services to inmates of the Brown County Jail and Juvenile Detention Center. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING-FISHING PIER: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Kippley to amend the date of installation contained in the Memorandum of Understanding between Brown County and Frederick Men's Club approved in the October 1, 2013 minutes from June 30, 2014 to October 15, 2014. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Kippley to go into executive session to discuss personnel, per SDCL 1-25-2(1) with Amy Scott, 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 Tina McLeod's transfer from 4-H Secretary to Brown County Fair/Weed Secretary, effective September 28, 2014 at same step classification and wage (Step 6 @ \$14.49 per hour). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

BADGING SYSTEM: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Hansen to approve purchase of new badging system from Midwest Card and ID Solution at approximate cost of \$15,045.75 for use by the Emergency Management Department for employee and volunteer emergency responders ID badges. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Wiese, seconded by Kippley to declare Decal #2059 Claritus Certain GT badging kit, Model #60910R, SNMEMSU-PC307 surplus for disposal after all usable components have been utilized (purchased with Homeland Security Funds). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION: Mary Worlie, Director of Equalization discussed extent of insurance coverage on employees and their personal vehicles when used for County business; information on an older server that needs to be retrieved; and presented a recap of Tax Increment Financing Districts currently in effect and those that will be completed for 2015 taxes payable 2016.

BID UPDATES: Judy Dosch, Maintenance Director presented update on projects recently bid.

APPLICATIONS FOR OCCUPANCY: Moved by Kippley, seconded by Fischbach to approve application, submitted by James Valley Telecommunications for occupancy of Brown County Highway 11 in Sec 29-T125N-R60W, Brown County, SD to provide telecommunication services. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Hansen to approve applications, submitted by Northern Electric for occupancy of the following: Highway 12E in Sec 28-T123N-R60W; Highway 11 in Sec 35-T125N-R60W; Highway 11 in Sec 27-T125N-R62W; Highway 11 in Sec 28-T125N-R62W, Brown County, SD to provide electrical service. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

CLOSING AUDIT CONFERENCE: Russ Olson, Dave Schlosser and Chelsey Siebrands representing Department of Legislative Audits met with the Commission for closing conference for audit of fiscal year 2013.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Wiese to go into executive session to discuss contract, per SDCL 1-25-2(4) with Dave Lonzman, Larry Lovrien 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 September 30, 2014. Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor

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Brown County Fire District



NOTICE OF MEETING AND ELECTION
PROPOSED FREDERICK AREA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

A Meeting and Election will be held on October 16, 2014 to determine if the proposed FREDERICK AREA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT shall be formed. If the district is formed by this election, nomination and election of a board of trustees will take place at the meeting.

Residents within the proposed district who are also registered voters within the district are eligible to vote in this election. The meeting and election will begin at 7:00 P.M. central daylight savings and continue until all present have voted.

The meeting and election will be held at the Frederick Community Center, Frederick, South Dakota. The area to be included in the proposed district is:

City of Frederick, Brown County, South Dakota pursuant to the Plat thereof of record

Palmyra Township: Sections 1-36 inclusive, all in Township 128 North of Range 65 West of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota;

Osceola Township: Sections 1-36 inclusive, all in Township 128 North of Range 64 West of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota;

Savo Township: Sections 1-36 inclusive, all in Township 128 North of Range 63 West of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota;

Allison Township: Sections 1-36 inclusive, all in Township 127 North of Range 65 West of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota;

Frederick Township: Sections 1-36 inclusive (except the City of Frederick), all in Township 127 North of Range 64 West of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota;

Richland Township: Sections 1-36 inclusive, all in Township 127 North of Range 63 West of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota;

Franklyn Township: Sections 1-36 inclusive, all in Township 126 North of Range 65 West of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota;

Oneota Township: Sections 1-36 inclusive, all in Township 126 North of Range 64 West of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota;

Brainard Township: Sections 1-12 inclusive; sections 16-21 inclusive, sections 28-33 inclusive, all in Township 126 North of Range 63 West of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota.

Voters with disabilities may contact the county auditor for information and special assistance in absentee voting or polling place accessibility.

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor
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Laura Smith
Bride-to-be of Taylor Anderson

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THE RAY CITY COMMISSION in Ray ND is now accepting applications for a Public Works Director (PWD). The PWD oversees capital improvement and supervision of public works staff as well as performing the daily tasks necessary to assure the City's water distribution, sanitary sewer collection and treatment, storm management system, streets, and street light systems are providing quality, efficient service for the City. The PWD must be certified or willing to be certified in Level 1 Water Distribution and Level 1 Wastewater Collection and Treatment in ND within one year of employment. Salary DOE. Excellent benefit package. Minimum of 5 years' experience required.

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We have had a great summer and it is fading rapidly into the fall. The leaves are turning and it is beautiful as fall scenes dominate the landscape. The downside, of course, is that this means that winter will be here before long. Fall is a time of preparation for the cold days that are coming but it is also a time to enjoy the wonderful things that only fall offers. So enjoy and begin to prepare.

As we enter October we know also that we are getting closer to the very important task of choosing who will represent us for the next two to four years in office, depending on the particular office. We all are asking for your vote and it is your responsibility to look at those requests and make an informed decision. It is a daunting task to run for office and the same is true for the voters as they make their choices as to who they will support. We see signs going up all over and these block the beautiful scenery of our pristine landscape. I am reminded of a song

from back in the 70's. "Signs, signs, everywhere the signs, blocking out the scenery and messing with the minds, do this, don't do that, can't you read the signs?" They are all over with more to come. I am not sure how much good they do but it is part of the game. Most importantly though is that you get out to vote.

A few more high school homecomings are coming this weekend along with the Gypsy Day parade in Aberdeen. SDSU will have theirs in a few weeks. These continue to be a great time to enjoy the beautiful colors and the great sights and sounds of fall. I really love to watch and listen to the bands as they represent their schools. School pride is shown in so many ways and the students are learning and experiencing activities that they will not forget. We must support our rural SD schools so that we will not lose these great traditions in the future. Our kids are too important and the future of SD depends on educated children that will take over for us as we move on. I will continue to fight for adequate school funding and will continue to fight to save our rural schools.

Another very important issue to our rural area is to continue to support our ethanol industry. This great and powerful force in SD has had the impact of increasing profits for our farmers. It is unfortunate that we see that the oil industry has been attacking us and has carried out a campaign to stop the growth of this valuable industry. This home grown and renewable fuel source is very important to our nation's future. We need to continue to show our support for this industry by utilizing these products and by legislating policies that will keep the industry strong. I continue to use ethanol in all of my vehicles and I will support the local farmers by pushing for increased use of ethanol fuels in our state vehicles.

More and more is being heard about the EB-5 scandal and what we should be doing to get to the bottom of it. The attempt to get the information that we desire has been going on for over a year and not much progress has been made. We continue to push our leaders to appear before the Government Operations and Audit Committee (GOAD) so that the questions can be asked and the truth can be determined. It is important to the people of SD to find these answers and that we find out where all the money went and we need to know who knew what and when. We have a few Republican legislators that have finally stepped up and have supported us in our request for Joop Bollen to be brought before this committee to testify. He is the key person right now but others should appear as well. We need to know and it is disappointing that the majority party has not been cooperating in these attempts. They continue to say that this is an election year maneuver by the minority party. That is not true. This has been going on for well over a year and the people of SD want to know the answers to these questions.

Last Tuesday I attended a discussion on workforce development. There have been several meetings leading up to this round table discussion. We are at the point of trying to determine what it is that we must do to get workers to come to SD. We have a shortage of workers and if our economy is going to expand we must have a growing labor force. There were many things discussed to encourage people to move into SD. I stressed two things: higher wages and adequate funding for education. "If you pay them, they will come." We must be more competitive with the surrounding states. Another part of this equation is that the cuts to education funding resulted in the some schools cutting personnel that provided guidance to students in terms of making career choices. This is a very important service as our students look at their own abilities and interests and try to align these with the job market.

A year ago at this time the weather turned very wet in our area and out west the big blizzard hit that caused so much damage and loss. It was a devastating event and a warning to us all that we need to respect Mother Nature and to prepare for whatever it may send our way. Winter is coming so get those vehicles winterized and take action to be ready.

As always I look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you.
 Sincerely, Chuck Welke
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