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Wanner to be inducted into SD Football Hall of Fame

Groton Area Football Coach Shaun Wanner will be inducted into the South Dakota Football Coaches Association Hall of Fame at the awards banquet set for January 31. Others to be inducted are Doug Skeie, former coach at Herreid-Pollock, and Tom Culver of Avon.



Kappes retires at Wells Fargo Bank

A retirement reception was held Wednesday for Rodney Kappes at Wells Fargo Bank in Groton. Kappes is pictured on the left, visiting with Monte Mason. Kappes and Mason worked together at the Groton branch for about seven years before Mason moved to Redfield where he is the bank president of that office. Kappes said that his position as bank president in Groton has not been filled yet. Kappes worked at the Groton branch for 24 years.

Kurtenbach to be inducted into the Mount Marty College Athletic Hall of Fame



Jesse Kurtenbach

senior year. In addition, he was named 1st Team All-Region IV and Honorable Mention All-American. Kurtenbach was a two-time 1st Team All-Conference and two time 2nd Team All-Conference. He was listed in the career and season top 5 Charts in 8 Categories for the Lancers, including 4 records. He led the conference in three categories his senior year.

Others inducted are:

Justin Bonnichsen – Basketball (2002-2006)
Nancy (Ommen) Heldberg – Basketball (1995-1999)
1999 Lancer Baseball Team

Mount Marty College announces three new individual members and one team to the Lancer Athletic Hall of Fame. The formal induction ceremony will be held on May 3, 2015; however, the inductees will be introduced at half time of the men's basketball game Saturday, January 10 in Laddie E. Cimpl Arena.

Jesse Kurtenbach – Baseball (2000-2004)

Jesse Kurtenbach was twice named the Mount Marty College "Male Athlete of the Year". He was also named the GPAC Baseball Player of the Year in 2004, his



Bad Visibility

Visibility right in Groton was limited to two to three blocks at time from the high wind and blowing snow. The peak wind gust Thursday was 54 mph. Groton Area had called off school for the day. Many area schools were scrambling to dismiss early sending buses out in the blizzard-like conditions.

School financials look good

Business Manager Mike Weber reviewed the financial report with the board members. The Capital Outlay fund is expected to have a gain of \$60,000, up from the projected \$40,000 gain. The general fund is currently down by \$50,000, which is anticipated to be down by \$70,000 by the end of the year. Overall, Weber said that the financials look good for the district.

A new software program will be implemented next year in the lunch program. It will provide all the necessary information required by the regulations such as sodium count, calories, whole grain, etc. Right now Chuck Padfield has to calculate all of that manually. Superintendent Joe Schwan said, "It will save Chuck a lot of time."

Groton Area will try to remain Class A in golf, despite the Average Daily Membership dropping below the 140 mark to 138.849. It will be that way for two more years. Schwan said that if Groton were to drop down to Class B, that would move the fall boys soccer team from fall to spring. Schwan said that he anticipates there should be no problem in keeping Groton in the Class A division.

The 2015 Legislative Cracker Barrels will be held January 24, February 7, February 21 and March 7 at 10 a.m. at the Northern State University Student Center.

There are 56 students in the Groton Area School District in the Special Education program.

Middle/High School Principal Anna Schwan reported that Jacob Milbrandt has been named the January 18-24 KSFY Scholar of the Week. His interview can be seen Thursday, Jan. 22, at 6 p.m. on KSFY TV.

The three-year terms of Kelly Kjelden and Marty Weismantel are up for re-election this year. The earliest that petitions can be taken out is January 30 and the petitions need to be turned in by February 27. If there is an election, it is set for April 14, 2015.

The proposed 2015-16 school calendar would have school starting August 26, 2015, with the final proposed day set for May 19, 2016. The later start date is helpful because of the later Memorial Day in 2016. Superintendent Schwan said a problem he sees is that the first semester would end after Christmas on January 8, 2016. The staff will be presented with the calendar next.

Board Member Marty Weismantel brought up that he heard some comments about why Groton was playing a conference game with Roncalli when there was no school - due to Christmas vacation.

See School Board Back

Groton girls beat Langford

Groton Area had three players in double figures as the Lady Tigers defeated the Langford Area Lions, 61-24. Groton led at the quarterstops at 18-0, 31-13 and 46-16.

Carly Wheeting led the Tigers with 16 points followed by Courtney Kurtz with 15, Audrey Wanner had 12, Gia Gengerke four, Katie Koehler, Ashley Gibbs and Emily Locke each had three and Harleigh Stange added two points. Koehler and Kurtz each made one three-pointer.

The Lions were led by Emily Johnson with 12 points (four three-pointers) while Tess Williams had seven, Madi Nelson five and Wendy Barrett two.

Groton made 24 of 67 field goals for 36 percent, 10 of 16 free throws off of Langford's 15 team fouls, had 43 rebounds with Wheeting having eight and Wanner seven, seven assists with Kurtz having three, three blocks (one each by Wanner, Stange and Wheeting), nine turnovers and 18 steals with Kurtz having five and Wheeting four.

Groton is now 4-3 on the season and will host Webster on Tuesday and be at Clark-Willow Lake on Thursday.

Groton won the junior varsity game, 32-4. Gia Gengerke led Groton with 11 points followed by Harleigh Stange with six, Madison Sippel had four, Marlee Jones, Alex Stange, Jasmine Schinkel, Lexi Gustafson and Hattie Weismantel each had two points and Miranda Hanson added one free throw.

Lexi Wika and Maddy Reints each had two points for Langford.

All four grapplers place at Miller

All four wrestlers placed at the Miller Tournament held Saturday with Trevor Pray and Kelby Hawkins taking first, Tyler Scott placing second and Brandyn Anderson placing fourth.

113: Trevor Pray pinned Frank Even, Burke/Gregory, 3:48; he decisioned Landon Sivertsen, Miller-Highmore/Harrold, 7-2; and in the championship match, he decisioned Carsten McNeil, Redfield/Doland, 7-1.

132: Kelby Hawkins pinned Jaylon Graff, Wolsey-Wessington, 1:00; he pinned Connor Bertsch, Miller-Highmore/Harrold, 2:26; and in the championship match, he pinned Jordan Scheier, McCook Central/Montrose, 4:00.

160: Tyler Scott pinned Oscar Munoz, Mariona/Freeman, 1:28; he won by forfeit over Phillip Gililand, Sully Buttes; and in the championship match, he lost by a major decision to Tanner Henkel, Howard, 15-1.

220: Brandyn Anderson was pinned by Dowain Kerner, Burke/Gregory, 5:59; he pinned Trey Noess, Marion/Freeman, 1:31; he pinned Ray Edgar, Faulkton Area, 5:11; and in the third place match, he was pinned by Dowain Kerner, Burke/Gregory, 1:54.



Tyler Scott lost by a major decision to Howard's Tanner Henkel in the championship match.

Brandyn Anderson scored a pin over Ray Edgar of Faulkton Area, 5:11.



Trevor Pray took first with a decision over Carsten McNeil, Burke/Gregory, 7-1.



Kelby Hawkins pinned Jordan Scheier, McCook Centra/Montrose, in the championship match, 4:00.

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Milbank girls edge Groton in NEC game

Milbank led at the quarterstops at 17-16, 27-22 and 36-30 en route to a 48-40 Northeast Conference win over Groton.

Kaley Wilhers came off the bench to lead the Bulldogs with 13 points followed by Coeyssa Mielitz with 12, Brittany Ackerman had 10, MiKayla Wendland eight, McKease Masters had three and Gretchen Biersbach added two.

Audrey Wanner led



Katie Koehler goes up for a shot with two Milbank girls defending her.



Ashley Gibbs dribbles around the Milbank defense.

the Lady Tigers with 13 points followed by Courtney Kurtz and Carly Wheeting with 10, Ashley Gibbs had three and Katie Koehler and Marlee Jones each had two points.

Milbank made 20 of 39 field goals for 50 percent, two of four free throws off of Groton's 10 team fouls, had 12 turnovers, four steals, nine assists and 28 rebounds with Wendland and Mielitz each having six.

Milbank is now 5-3 on the season while Groton is 3-3.

Milbank won the junior varsity game, 20-7. Harleigh

Stange, Emily Locke and Madison Sippel each had two points and Gia Gengerke added one.

Milbank made it a clean sweep with a 25-20 C game win. Taylor Holm led Groton with six points followed by Madison Sippel with four, Gia Gengerke and Miranda Hanson each had three and Alex Stange and Sam Menzia each added two.

Groton Area boys beat Milbank Area

Three players hit double figures as Groton Area rolled past Milbank Area in boys basketball action played Tuesday night in Milbank, 61-38.

Kyler Ell led the Tigers with 12 points followed by Lucas Sternhagen with 11, Spencer Knecht had 10, Gabe Dohman and Hunter Lerew each had seven, Wyatt Larosh six, and adding two points each were Sean Schuring, Seric Shabazz, Bennett Shabazz and Chance Strom.

Ell and Lerew each had two blocks and Sternhagen had one. Sternhagen and Bennett Shabazz each had three of the team's 14 assists. Groton had 12 turnovers, six of which were steals. Knecht had five of the team's 20 rebounds. The Tigers shot 53 percent from the field and 46 percent from the line.

Milbank Area was led in scoring by Nate Bien, Jacob Jackson and Isaac Snaza with six each, Grant Wollschlaer had five, Nolan Foss four, J.P. Lindquist, Jonny Ash and Alex Cantine each had three and Derrick Aho added two points.

The Bulldogs had 25 turnovers, 10 of which were steals with Bennett Shabazz having two; Milbank Area had five assists, 28 rebounds, made 28 percent of its field goals and 55 percent of its free throws.

Groton also won the junior varsity game, 44-37. Seric Shabazz led Groton Area with 14 points followed by Brady Keith with eight, Sean Schuring with seven, Bennett Shabazz had five, Aaron Severson and Adam Herman each had four and Anthony Sippel added two points.

Adam Herman had eight of the team's 30 rebounds. Sean Schuring had three of the team's nine steals. Bennett Shabazz had four of the team's six assists.

Groton Prairie Mixed

Team Standings: Jackelopes 8, Foxes 8, Coyotes 7, Pocket Gophers 5, Chipmunks 4 ½, Killer Chihuahuas 3 ½

Men's High Games: Brad Waage 224, 222, Brad Larson 215, Roger Colestock 213, 203, Rick Carlson 210, Randy Stanley 203, Roger Spanier 201

Women's High Games: Sue Stanley 204, 177, Karen Spanier 165, Dar Larson 165, Vicki Walter 164

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Brown County
Jan. 6 Meeting Minutes

JANUARY 6, 2015 -REORGANIZATION MEETING

This being the reorganization meeting of the Brown County Commission for year 2015, said Board convened at 8:45 A.M. in the Commissioner's Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, South Dakota. Present were Commissioners Nancy Hansen, Rachel Kippley, Tom Fischbach, Doug Fjeldheim and Duane Sutton. Pastor Val Reinhiller, First United Methodist Church opened with Prayer and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Oaths of Office were completed by Commissioners Nancy Hansen, Tom Fischbach and Doug Fjeldheim; Sheriff Mark Milbrandt; and Register of Deeds Carol Sherman. Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor called for nominations for Brown County Commission Chairman for year 2015, pursuant to SDCL 7-8-15. Commissioner Hansen nominated Duane Sutton for Chairman. Moved by Kippley, seconded by Hansen that nominations cease and a unanimous ballot be cast for Duane Sutton, 2015 Chairman. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Commissioner Fischbach nominated Rachel Kippley for Vice Chairman. Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Fjeldheim that nominations cease and a unanimous ballot be cast for Rachel Kippley, 2015 Vice Chairman. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

MINUTES: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Kippley to approve the General Meeting minutes of December 30, 2014. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

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

Worker's Comp: SDML Worker's Compensation \$97,006.00. Insurance: SD Public Assurance Alliance \$212,658.19.

Professional Fees: Aberdeen Area Chamber of Commerce \$305.00; APCO \$644.00; AWS \$1,750.00; Br. Co. Treasurer \$631,722.13; Helms & Assoc. \$4,716.00; LBG \$15,090.04; Minnehaha Co. Treasurer \$778.56; NACO \$731.00; Nat'l Emergency Number Assoc. \$137.00; SD State's Attorney Assoc. \$1,746.00; SD Teen Court Assoc. \$2,100.00; Sivertsen Technology \$1,500.00; SWANA \$290.00; Tyler Technologies \$20,481.60.

Publishing: Aberdeen American News \$199.46; Aberdeen Community Theatre \$250.00. Rentals: AAA Contractors \$300.00; Rodney Eikamp \$300.00.

Repairs & Maintenance: Active Data Systems \$15,906.00; Carahsoft Technology Corp. \$478.79; Clark Engineering \$5,400.00; Dakota Fluid Power \$485.60; Dware \$1,800.00; Farnam's \$757.06; G & K Services \$78.61; Hoven Auto Repair \$252.20; Interstate Powersystems \$2,896.00; Jason's Electric \$925.41; Kone's \$1,094.69; Myer's Tire \$10.72; Nelson Sales & Service \$168.96; Pierson-Ford \$248.00; SD DOT \$53,527.07; Walth Safety Service \$89.25.

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Travel & Conference: IAAO \$175.00; IAFE \$750.00; Mark Milbrandt \$40.00; Midwest Showmen's Assoc. \$20.00; Rocky Mountain Assoc. of Fairs \$300.00.

Utilities: Aberdeen City Treasurer \$968.00; AT & T \$508.84; BDM Rural Water \$30.00; CenturyLink \$239.31; Midcontinent \$64.23; Midwest Alarm \$51.50; NVC \$587.08; NWPS \$10,611.64; Town of Frederick \$33.25; Web Water \$67.85.

Other: JRWD \$22,818.66. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Kippley to appoint Aaron Walberg as Veterans Service Officer, per SDCL 33A-1-22 for a four-year term, effective January 6, 2015 - January 5, 2019. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

2015 SALARY SCHEDULE: Moved by Kippley, seconded by Hansen to approve the following salaries, effective December 21, 2014: Annually States Attorney Larry Lovrien 77,372.88; Sheriff Mark Milbrandt 69,075.76 (plus \$500 per pay period to oversee Communications Center); Auditor Maxine Fischer, Treasurer Sheila Anderson, Register of Deeds Carol Sherman 55,527.42; Commissioners (plus county paid portion of optional insurance coverage) Nancy Hansen 19,136.78, Rachel Kippley, Tom Fischbach, Duane Sutton, Doug Fjeldheim 19,704.62; Deputy States Attorney's Chris White 66,250.00, Karly Winter, Ryan Vogel 53,000.00, Jodi Brown 15,722.20 (Victims Assistance) 33,000.00 (SVAWA Grant); Chief Deputy Sheriff Tom Schmitt 62,168.34; Building Superintendent Judy Dosch 46,093.84; Chief Information Officer Paul Sivertsen 102,000.00; Commission Assistant/Human Resource Director Gary Vetter 60,048.04; Communications Director/Deputy Sheriff John McQuillen 56,850.04; Director of Equalization Mary Worlie 55,091.40; EM Director Scott Meints 50,942.32; Fair Board Manager Amy Scott 46,093.84; Fairgrounds Superintendent Kurt Smith 46,093.84; GIS Coordinator Scott Madsen 57,085.60; Highway Superintendent Dirk Rogers 66,248.00; Juvenile Detention Supervisor Amy Lake-Harmon 47,898.76; Landfill Manager Mike Scott 58,071.00; Museum Director Sue Gates 45,275.88; Planning/Zoning/E911 Rural Addressing Director C Scott Bader 41,248.22; Sheriff/JDC Nurse Tanya Mitchener 45,695.52; Veterans Service Officer Aaron Walberg 46,398.04; Welfare Director Clayton Nelson 50,597.82. Coroner and Deputies: Michael Carlsen, Allie Ryckman, Devin Rogers \$150.00 per call. Blood Draw: Merissa Johnson, Dearth Rose, Mary Jo Rohrbach, Jamie Bretsch, Pam Smid, Janet Huber \$50.00 per draw. On Call Nurse: \$15.00 per phone call, \$35.00 per one hour or less physical visit, \$25.00 per hour over one hour physical visit: Pam Smid, Jennifer Kamin, Harmony Mattson. Per Meeting: Darwin Bettmann, Stanley Beckler, Patrick Keatts, David North, Jerry Streckfuss, Dale Kurth, Dennis Weidebush, Mark Hoven, Duane Jark, Troy Knecht \$40.00 per meeting. Per Hour: Weed Supervisor/Highway Employee Mike Rohrbach 18.77. Assistant Landfill Manager Don Fischer 17.40. Senior Appraisers Leo Leshar, Gene Loeschke 22.24. Chief Office Deputies (Auditor, Treasurer, Register of Deeds) Lynn Heupel, Dorene Borchart, Patricia VanMeter, Catherine Lindemann 22.24. Veterans Service Assistant Kathy Schlecht 22.24. Highway Shop Foreman Mark Wendt 23.07. Highway Department Assistant Kendell Titze 22.24. Human Resource Assistant Andrea Sjomeling 22.24. Appraisers: Barry Kusler 18.81,

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Russell Metz 19.52, Kathy Fischer 21.16. Computer/Technology Support Specialist: Cory Lane 20.11, Michael Merkel 20.92. Chief Office Deputies (Sheriff, Welfare, States Attorney, Maintenance, Director of Equalization, EM) Patti Woods 17.15, Polly Rush, Roxy Hilgenberg 19.43, Kathy Neitzel 19.14, Penny Hart 22.93. States Attorney's Office Secretaries Jessica Rychlik 14.64, Kristina Vetter 15.91, Tracy Madsen 16.13. Office Deputies, Museum Curators, Secretaries/Clerks Patricia Kendall, Sarah Swenson, Brenda Dreyer, Amber Schmierer 13.92, Catharina Sauer 14.18, Sonje Oban 14.44, Jeanette Kline 14.70, Tracy Engquist, Cindy Woodford 14.89, Tina McLeod 15.09, Andrew Janusz 15.28, Sara Hagman 15.46, Mariann Malsom, JoAnn Sheffield 15.68, Jackie Ormand 15.85, Lora Schaunaman 16.05, Cindy Meyers 16.10, Sandra Green 16.25, Jolene Forsting 16.30, Sherri Rawstern 16.55. Clerk, Secretary, Maintenance, Parts Jon Roberson 13.65, Jeremy Eppard 14.43, Cindy Eppard 15.01, Mickey Schulz 15.73, Monte Podoil 15.83. Sheriff Department Clerical & Cooks Teresa Mann, Kristin Barstad 15.39, Sandy Mielke 16.38, Jesse Milbrandt 16.69, Diane Mielke 17.75, Carol Wolf 18.10. Dispatchers Derek Jangula, Aaron Gasser, Dawn Allam 15.18, Jonathan Waller, Amber Olson, Cory Erhardt 15.49, Jessie Guthmiller 15.81, Erin Bacon 16.80, Tonya Walth 17.44, Melony Flinn 18.45, Sara Jesz 18.50, Sheila Anderson 18.95. Chief Dispatcher James Petrich 17.76. Highway Seasonal Les Schaible 11.87. Fairgrounds/Landfill Labor Grade 3 Dan Schlosser 14.78, John Weig 17.94. Highway Labor Grade 3 Kyle Kost 16.88, Dennis VanHeerde 17.22, Tray Mercer, Dean Zumbaum, Kenny Fouts 16.97, Glen Neumiller 17.16, Kevin Ernst, Charles Gruenstein 17.25, Kathy Thompson, Tim Hettich 17.44, Larry Hardy 18.29, Fairgrounds/Landfill Labor Grade 4 Terry Lout 15.42, Randy Kutter 16.08, Carl Wright 18.39, Nyle Jensen 17.29. Highway Labor Grade 4 Matt Heupel 17.20, Dana Breske 17.48, Brad Nehlich 17.67. Highway Labor Grade 5 Gerald Lehrkamp 17.39, Nicholas Juenger 17.58, Casey Jensen 17.67, Bryan Owens 17.77, David Bruckner 19.46. Highway Mechanics Labor Grade A (with cdl)/Outside Shop Foreman Eugene Pence Jr 19.01, Kurt Pigors 19.10, Daryl Lloyd 19.29, Paul Wipf 19.48. Deputy Sheriff Keith Baker, Christopher Schafer 18.50, Linn Kamin, Jonathan Lemke 18.83, Wes Graff 19.15, Ross Erickson 20.13, Ben Smith, Anthony Sorenson, Nathan Smith 20.46, Brian Koens, Craig Nelson 21.90, Damian Bahr 21.80, Terrence Evans 21.95, Scott Kolb 22.55. Home Detention Supervisor/Assistant JDC Supervisor Brian Bahr 16.69, Brenda Hammrich 19.99. Correctional Officers (Adult and JDC) Daniel Studelska, Nicholas Devries, Christeen Krahl, Jonathan Hillestad 14.88, Roy Oberle, Jared Embury 15.21, John Clark, James Harpel, Ermelinda Marcuson, Ryan McClain, Bill Rohrbach 15.54, Danica Marshall, Stacie Wasem 15.88, Adelaide Mouna, Jennifer White 16.19, Tamara Knoll 16.53, Joseph Embury 16.86, Michael Ernst 17.53; Samiuela Mouna, Harlan Place 18.17, Russ Ochsner, Kristal Koens 18.37, Cindy Mitchell, Jeffrey Kirnan 18.42. Part time employees - per hour: Michael Arnoldy, Tobias Stugelmayer 9.39, Richard Schooley 10.56, Richard Burns 10.62, Marianne Marttila-Klipfel 12.21, Julie Hermansen, Cheryl Grant, Robert Baumgartner, Dennis Olson, Maggie Bell, Katie Tempel, Marjorie Embury, Kelly Forrest, Edward Korbel, Brian Marcuson, Jaclyn Nagel, Doreen Howell, Jennifer Toennies, Marissa Mickelson 12.54, Teresa Sonnenberg-Gauer, Vaughn Ayala, Michele Cogley, Mavis Kempf 13.37; Tom Lammon, Jeff Hayes, Steven Rams-

dell, John Ness, Keith Anderson, Michael Lout, Gary Funmaker, Peter Hesla, Sandra Woytassek, Brenda Aman 14.18, Robert Retzer, Merv Heaton 15.69, Britney Lout 15.73. Differential Pay: Correctional Officers, Deputy Sheriffs, Dispatchers: 4:00 P.M. to Midnight @ \$0.30 per hour, Midnight to 8:00 A.M. @ \$0.40 per hour. Dispatchers for Training at Terminals: \$0.30 per hour all shifts. Highway employees when pulling train \$0.80 per hour. NOTE: All overtime calculated on base pay. GUARDS: \$100 per day for each round trip less than 400 miles; \$125 per day for each round trip over 400 miles - Neil Bittner, Brian Carrels, Lesley Farmer, Dale Farmer, Brock Schiferl, Daniel Harvey, Kyle Stoddard, David Hunter, Jamie Milbrandt, Rane Mergen, Brenda Schmitt, Nicole Leslie, Dala Mandel, Fred Schmidt, Kenneth Hostetter, Drew Ottenbacher, Tiffany Hanson, Tim McCurdy, Brandon Mills, Janice Moore, Eric Voigt. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

COMMISSION COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS: Moved by Kippley, seconded by Hansen to approve the following Commission Committee assignments for 2015: Tom Fischbach - Communications Center Council, Range Fire Suppression, LEPC, County Buildings, Union Negotiations, Rationing Board, Aberdeen/Brown County Regional Railroad Authority Commission, Grow SD (NESDCAP), FSA Representative; Duane Sutton - Aberdeen Development Corporation, NECOG, CART, Fair Board, SD Public Assurance Alliance, Decotah Prairie Museum Board, City Net, SDACC Catastrophic Legal Board; Nancy Hansen - Union Negotiations, Senior Citizens Board, Liaison to Welfare, NE Mental Health Board, NACO Board of Directors, 4-H Leaders Association/Promotion and Expansion Committee; Doug Fjeldheim Airport Board, NECOG, Glacial Lakes, Communications Center Council, Indigent Defense Committee; Rachel Kippley: Weed & Pest Control Board, Fair Board, Risk Management Committee, Legislative Contact, Planning & Zoning Board, JDAI (Juvenile Detention Alternative Initiative). The States Attorney will assist in conducting labor negotiations. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Kippley to name Chairman Duane Sutton and Commissioner Tom Fischbach as County members of the Communications Council, per intergovernmental agreement with the City of Aberdeen. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Kippley to approve the following Brown County Dive Team Members: Cole Adema, Trent Anderson, Rodney Bade, Tom Barstad, Mike Kost, Brett Tennis, Kevin Vaughn. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Kippley, seconded by Hansen to re-appoint Chris Fischbach, Gordon Nelson, Becky Stucker, Stu Swenson and Linda Thurston for 2nd term (2015-2017) to the Brown County Fair Board. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Hansen, seconded by Kippley to appoint the following Citizens Corp Council Members: John Kirnan, term effective January 1, 2015 - December 31, 2016; Tom Schmitt, Ray Sorenson, Scott Meints and Rich Kezar, term effective January 1, 2015 - December 31, 2017. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fjeldheim to appoint the following CERT Members: Sarah Salmen, Robert Bray, Kasia Kramer and Alisha Warrey; and further remove Rieck Eske from the active CERT Member list. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Hansen to appoint Mike McCafferty and Kathleen Daly to first term (2015 - 2017) on the Decotah Prairie Museum Board.

All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

VOLUNTEERS/WORKER COMPENSATION: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Kippley to list the following volunteers for work comp purposes (CERT, Citizens Corp, Dive Team, Fair, Museum): John Adams, Marie Adams, Cole Adema, Trent Anderson, Rodney Bade, Richard Bakeberg, Diana Banker, Tom Barstad, Tim Beckham, Becky Berreth, Christopher Beusch, Betty Beyer, Chad Bierman, Sandra Bierman, Evelyn Blum, Jan Bohling, Paul Bohling, Cody Braun, Robert Bray, Lynnsey Briese, Mercedes Buchanan, Becky Burdick, Ross Burdick, Conald Burgard, Edythe Clark, Luanne Cunningham, Ryan Cunningham, Val Daschel, Cara Dennert, Kaye DeYoung, David Didreckson, Marvin Dreesen, Ken Dulik, Joseph Dulik, Wes Elliott, Janet Elsen, Darin Emery, Curtis Erickson, Jan Erickson, Melissa Erlenbusch, Chris Fischbach, Don Ganje, Allen Gates, Marilyn Gibbs, Steve Gisi, Katie Goulding, Scott R Grebner, Mary Jane Hansen, Gerald Helm, Pat Helm, Janet Herman, Trixie Hettich, Carmel Heyd, Bill Hild, Mary Jo Hild, Dave Hintz, Richard Humphries, Randy Imber, Heath Johnson, Zach Kern, Rich Kezar, John Kirnan, Michael Kost, Ron Kost, Kasia Kramer, Laura Kramp, Carol Kringstad, Brian LaCroix, Nobel LaCroix, Marilyn Lahr, Jared Larson, Tim Mattern, Douglas Mayer, Gretchen Mayer, Carla Meints, Trevor Meints, Jo Miller, Roland Moerke, Salesi Mouna, Joseph Muller, Gordon Nelson, Evelyn Nikolas, Nancy North, Jerry Ochsner, Gayle Opp, Barb Paepke, Tom Paepke, Mike Payne, Jason Pettigrew, Joyce Pfeiffer, Cindy Pigors, Rick Pigors, Lois Pletten, Jean Rajha, Bryan Rau, Chris Rawstern, Terry Rawstern, Douglas Reiersen, Derek Ricci, Bonnie Robinson, Freddie Robinson, Mike Russell, Caroline Schli, Sarah Salmen, Jean Schaffer, Cindy Schick, Jacie Schley, Deb Schlosser, Nancy Schrenk, Sid Schroeder, Sara Schumacher, Brian Sharp, Donna Sharp, Gary Sharp, Gretchen Sharp, Dale Smid, Ray Sorenson, Kathy Sperry, Becky Stucker, Liz Sutherland, Jesse Swallow, Jeff Swank, Karen Swank, Chip Swanson, Marian Swanson, Stu Swenson, Brett Tennis, Linda Thurston, Jayson Tollefson, James Torbert, Karen Treeby, Kevin Vaughn, Eric Vetter, Pat Waltman, Alisha Warrey, Kathy Webb, Casey Weismantel, Cora Wollman, Brianna Woods, Tom Woods, Chad Wright, Amy Wright. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

DESIGNATION OF DEPUTIES: Commissioner Fischbach offered the following Resolution: **RESOLUTION #1-15. WHEREAS, SDCL Chapter 7-7-20 mandates the designation of the number of deputies and clerks for various offices by the Board of County Commissioners, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following deputies and clerks are authorized at the discretion of the County Officials for County offices: Auditor - 1 Chief Deputy, 3 Deputies; Treasurer - 2 Chief Deputies, 5 Deputies, 1 part-time Clerk; Register of Deeds - 1 Chief Deputy, 4 Deputies, 1 part-time Clerk. All extra help hired by County Officials must first be approved by the County Commission. Seconded by Commissioner Fjeldheim. Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-aye, Kippley-aye, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Sutton-aye. Resolution adopted.**

OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Hansen to designate the following as the official Brown County newspapers for year 2015 (SDCL 7-18-3): Aberdeen American News, Aberdeen, SD; The Groton Independent, Groton, SD; Dakota Press, Groton, SD. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

DEPOSITORIES: Moved by Kippley, seconded by Fischbach to designate the following as official depositories for Brown

County public funds for year 2015 (SDCL 7-2-13), with funds deposited in the name of Sheila Anderson, Brown County Treasurer: Decotah Bank; US Bank; First Savings of Beresford, Hecla Branch of Hecla; First State Bank of Warner; First State Bank of Warner, Aberdeen Branch; First State Bank of Claremont, Columbia Branch; First State Bank of Claremont, Claremont Branch, First National Bank of Frederick; Plains Commerce Bank; Home Federal Savings & Loan; Great Western Bank; Great Plains Bank; CoTrust. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

INVESTMENT POLICY: Commissioner Hansen offered the following Resolution: **RESOLUTION #2-15. WHEREAS, the nature of tax collections and other revenue is such that cash on deposit in the County's depositories at times exceeds the requirement for current expenditures; and WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the County to invest these monies not required for immediate expenditure. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Brown County Treasurer is hereby directed to invest Brown County public funds at the highest rate of interest possible at said time on available monies at financial institutions, as designated by the Brown County Commission, and FURTHER, to furnish quarterly reports detailing same, as authorized by SDCL 4-5-8. Seconded by Commissioner Fischbach. Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-aye, Kippley-aye, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Sutton-aye. Resolution adopted.**

INTEREST POLICY: Moved by Kippley, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve the following Policy in regard to interest earned from deposits and investments: State law allows income from deposits and investments to be credited to either the General Fund or the fund making the investment. The County's policy is to credit all income from deposits and investments to the General Fund, except for interest earned on specific certificates of deposits and financial assurance savings account of the Solid Waste Fund. USGAAP requires income from deposits and investments to be reported in the fund whose assets generated that income. Where the governing board has discretion to credit investment income to a fund other than the fund that provided the resources for investment, a transfer to the designated fund is reported. Accordingly, interfund transfers of investment earnings shall occur between the Highway Fund and Solid Waste Fund (excluding specific solid waste certificates of deposit and financial assurance savings account) and the General Fund. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

EXPENSE POLICY: Moved by Kippley, seconded by Fischbach to set the following expense rates for Brown County employees for year 2015: Meal reimbursement made only for out of County travel

....In-State	Out-of-State
Breakfast	\$ 5.00.. \$ 8.00
Lunch	\$ 9.00 \$11.00
Dinner	\$12.00..\$17.00
	\$26.00. \$36.00

Qualifying time for meal allowances:

Breakfast - leave before 5:31 a.m. - return after 7:59 a.m.
 Lunch - leave before 11:30 a.m. - return after 12:59 p.m.
 Dinner - leave before 5:31 p.m. - return after 7:59 p.m.

Lodging reimbursed at actual cost, receipt required (if possible have direct billing, as County tax exempt).

Mileage Rate: Reimbursement for use of personal vehicle for County business, as follows: 37 cents per mile for elected officials and 47 cents per mile for all other employees; Miles to be determined by the assistance of Map Quest or similar web site; Odometer readings required

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for all destinations not available on web site; Odometer reading only required once to establish routine destination routes, i.e. per diem for board members. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

EXPENSE POLICY - ELECTION OFFICIALS: Moved by Kippley, seconded by Fischbach to set fee of \$180.00 for precinct officials working on Election Day, \$20.00 for precinct officials attending Election Schools, \$5.00 for use of personal cell phone on election day (maximum \$5.00 per precinct), and to set minimum mileage at five miles when claimed by precinct official. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

EXPENSE POLICY FOR BROWN COUNTY BOARDS: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fischbach to set the following policy for the boards appointed by the Brown County Commission. Dacotah Prairie Museum Board - No per diem - Maximum two three-year terms. Fair Board - No per diem - Maximum two three-year terms. Planning/Zoning Board - \$40.00 per meeting attended, plus mileage per County policy, if reside out of Aberdeen City - Five-year terms - No term limit per January 1, 2004 Commission Minutes. Weed & Pest Control Board - \$40.00 per meeting attended, plus mileage per County policy, if reside out of Aberdeen City - Three year terms - No term limit. Appointments to fill vacated positions on a board will be for the remainder of the term of the position vacated. If the remainder of the term is over one-half of the regular term, this appointment will count as a full term regarding term limits. Appointees to all boards shall not receive pay or other forms of benefit or benefits that extend beyond the termination or expiration of their appointment to a county board. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

TAX DEED NOTICES: Commissioner Hansen offered the following Resolution: RESOLUTION #3-15.

WHEREAS, Brown County has acquired tax certificates on property with delinquent real estate taxes for which tax deeds and notices can be served. THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Brown County Commission authorizes the County Treasurer, Sheila Anderson to request States Attorney Larry Lovrien and States Attorney Office personnel to act as agents to process said tax deeds and notices. Seconded by Commissioner Fischbach. Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-aye, Kippley-aye, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Sutton-aye. Resolution adopted.

FAIRGROUNDS/YOUTH CAMP RENTAL RATES: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fjeldheim to establish the following rental rates:

FAIRGROUNDS RENTAL RATE - EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2015

Storage Space Rental: October 15 to April 1st - Prepaid Lease -No Refunds - \$8.00 per linear foot for each unit, including trailer hitch and any overhang. All lengths will be rounded to the nearest foot.

Barn Rental: Any person affiliated with NAHR that requests to occupy any building prior to the 12 days preceding the date of such racing will enter into a separate lease with the County. The lessee will be responsible to pay \$100 per barn per month and utilities used until the NAHR lease goes into effect. Lessee will also be responsible for all manure removal. Campground fee per day of \$20 for water and power or \$23 for water, power and sewer is separate.

Club House : 120' X 80' Per day \$300.00 - Per day for days over two \$150.00 - Clean-up additional \$75.00. Activities obtaining a Special Malt Beverage License - \$35.00 per keg (or equivalent), with proof from wholesaler, excluding Fair Activities, Race Track and Horse

Racing.

Expo Addition: 90' x 240' - Per day \$280.00 - Per day for days over two \$140.00 If fairgrounds personnel needs to clean up after the activity Clean-up/horse shows \$300.00 - Clean-up/other activities \$175.00

Holm Expo Building: 120' x 240' - Per day \$500.00 plus utilities - Per day for days over two \$250.00 plus utilities. If fairgrounds personnel needs to clean-up after the activity Clean-up/horse shows \$300.00 - Clean-up/other Activities \$175.00

Horse Stalls: Set up fee - per stall. \$12.00

Orange Corral Panels:- per day \$25.00

Horse Arena: 174' x 240'...\$75.00 per show. Smaller groups will be charged on an individual basis.

Portable Stage: Not to go out of County-except for Governmental Agencies -Per event \$100.00

People Movers - \$50.00 per event (lessee is liable for any damage)

Bleachers - Large Green - \$50.00 per day, Small Orange - \$25.00 per day Small Orange - \$80.00 per day if leaves Fairgrounds

10' Benches: \$3.00 per bench per event.

Campgrounds: \$20.00 per day or \$130.00 per week for pads with power and water. \$23.00 per day or \$150.00 per week for pads with power, water and sewer drops. This includes a 5% State Sales Tax. 232 pads with water and power and 36 with power, water, and sewer. All south campgrounds have both 50 amp and 30 amp plug-ins.

RICHMOND YOUTH CAMP RENTAL RATES - EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2015

Booking fee in the amount of \$100.00 and proof of insurance must be submitted at least 30 days prior to date of occupancy.

Dorm only: \$60.00 per dorm per night for 20 people or less. More than 20 people - \$5.00 per person.

Lodge Only: \$150.00 per day Dorm(s) and Lodge per day: \$150.00 minimum for 20 people or less. More than 20 people - \$5.00 per person.

Youth Groups: \$5.00 per person per day (Ages 17 and under.) Adult Groups: \$7.00 per person per day. (Ages 18 and older)

Deposit: A \$100.00 deposit is required to guarantee all dates. This deposit will only be refunded if the camp is left in a clean and orderly manner and there is no damage done to the camp. If the cleaning costs and damage costs exceed the amount of the deposit, any additional repairs or cleaning costs will be billed. Signed lease, deposit and proof of insurance shall be sent to the Brown County Auditor at 25 Market Street, Ste. 1, Aberdeen, SD 57401.

Cleanup: \$50.00 for the Lodge and \$100.00 for the dorms.

Absolutely no pets allowed in any of the buildings. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ABATEMENTS: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fischbach to approve and authorize the Chairman sign the following abatements: BNSF RR @ \$54,729.68 (railroad tax credit), DM&S RR @ \$167.10 (tax credit), Greenfield Township @ \$3,086.95 (exceed max levy), Brown County @ \$49.64, @ \$46.17, @ \$1,097.43 (tax exempt), Rod Tobin @ \$226.29, \$432.86, \$315.18 (assessment error), Mitchell Hanson @ \$1,184.76 (assessment error), Hollis Treeby @ \$2,844.55 (assessment error), Hecla City @ \$8.69, \$8.69 (tax exempt), NSU Foundation @ \$2,090.42 (tax exempt). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

AUDITORS REPORT OF ACCOUNT: Moved by Kippley, seconded by Hansen to approve the December 2014 Auditor's Report of Account with the County Treasurer in total amount of \$15,931,506.67 (total amount of actual cash @ \$3,800.00, US Bank @ \$15,006.19, Dacotah Bank @ \$726,370.50, Petty Cash

@ \$2,000.00, Fund Investments @ \$15,184,329.98). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

INTEREST STATEMENT: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Hansen to accept for filing the October - December 2014 Interest Statement (\$15,432.78), submitted by County Treasurer Sheila Anderson. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

SET HEARING DATE: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fischbach to set joint public hearing before the Aberdeen City Council and Brown County Commission to be held on January 26, 2015 in the Aberdeen City Council Chambers, 123 South Lincoln Street, Aberdeen, SD to consider the following ordinance: Ordinance #15-01-01/442, An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the following described property from its present zoning designation of (R-2) Medium Density Residential District, (A-1) Agricultural District, and (R-5) Trailers/Trailer Parks and Planned Residential Area Trailers District to (M-AG) Mini-Agricultural District: Outlot C in the NW ¼ of Sec 26-T123N-R64W and the East 1185' of the N ½ of the SW ¼ of Sec 26-T123N-R64W, except Lot B and except the West 294' of the North 860', Brown County, SD (2130 12th Street South and adjacent land to the South). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

TAX DEED SALE: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Kippley to authorize advertising the following described property to be offered for sale by auction in the Community Room, Brown County Courthouse Annex, on January 26, 2015 at 10:00 a.m., and further to declare property surplus for purpose of sale: Ravinia Township: Lt 4 Keatts 3rd Subdivision in the NE ¼ Sec 22-T124N-R65W (127131 378th Ave). Frederick City: Lt 2 Blk 1 Simmons Addn to Frederick (603 4th Street). Columbia City: Lts 201, 203, 205, 207, 209, 211, 213 and 215 Broadway Peck's 1st Addn (bare lot); W 130' Lts 202, 204, 206, 208 and 210 and S 15' of W 130' of Lts 212, 214 and 216, James Street Peck's 1st Addn (204 N James Street). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

PARTIAL PAYMENTS: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Kippley to authorize Sheila Anderson, County Treasurer to accept partial payments for taxes (as authorized by SDCL 10-21-7) on the following properties: (1) \$3,000.00 down and \$600.00 per month on Lt 8 Bk 7 Forest Acres 3rd Addition to the City of Aberdeen (1504 7th Street S), effective February 25, 2015; and (2) \$300.00 per month on Lt 3 Carlisle Heirs Replat Lt 23-25 Blk 53 2nd Addition to the City of Aberdeen (105 9th Ave SW), effective January 20, 2015. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

LEASE AGREEMENT: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Hansen to approve the following agreement, submitted by A-Town Roller Girlz for lease of the Clubhouse Jan - Dec 2015 at \$10 per practice and \$20.00 per month for utilities. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

BCCHC CONTRACT: Moved by Kippley, seconded by Hansen to approve and authorize the Chairman sign Contract with the State of South Dakota for providing community health-nursing services in Brown County for fiscal year 2015 in amount of \$18,540.00. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

NECOG AGREEMENT: Moved by Fischbach seconded by Sutton to approve and authorize the Chairman sign Joint Cooperative Agreement with NECOG for 2015 in amount of \$23,177.99. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

AGREEMENT FOR MEDICAL CASEWORK SERVICES: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve and authorize the Chairman sign Agreement for Medical Casework Services

with Hyde County, whereby the Brown County Welfare Department personnel will provide Medical casework services in making recommendations/suggestions for Hyde County's medical claims payment, effective January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

SDPAA CONTRACT: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fischbach to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign an Intergovernmental Contract (IGC) reaffirming Brown County's membership in a local government risk pool known as the South Dakota Public Assurance Alliance (SDPAA). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

LANDFILL UNIT 2 CELL 2: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Kippley to approve and authorize Chairman to sign Certificate of Acceptance; Certificate of Substantial Completion; and accept for filing the Affidavit of Contractor and Indemnity Agreement provided by B&B Contracting for the Landfill Unit 2 Cell 2 Construction Project. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

POLICY MANUAL AMENDMENT: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fjeldheim to amend E-12 - Holidays, Brown County Employee Policy Manual, as follows: Delete "Friday before Easter - For Presidents Day" and Add "Presidents Day - Third Monday in February" as a paid holiday for eligible employees; and further to add the following new paragraph to E-12 - Holidays: Each January, the Brown County Commission may announce bonus days off under the following conditions: each employee will be compensated regular pay for the number of hours on the designated bonus day, if an employee is required to work a full shift on the bonus day off, the number of hours worked will be added to their vacation record - under no circumstances will premium pay be paid for these hours. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

RECESS: The Chairman declared the Commission recessed until January 13, 2015.

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor
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Westport Town Jan. 5 Meeting Minutes

Town of Westport General Meeting
January 5th, 2015

The Town of Westport met on January 5th, 2015 with Larry Huettl, Wyatt Wilson, Todd Hertel, Doreen Hertel, and Tanya Svendsen present.

The following expenses were presented:

City General NWPS (\$367.22), Drew Johnson-Attorney (\$962.50), SD Unemployment Insurance (\$2.27), US Treasury (\$333.73), US Treasury (\$40.17), Groton Independent (\$39.39), Allied Insurance (\$3,366.00), Payroll-Todd Hertel (\$400.00).

Sewer NWPS (\$26.80), NRW -loan repayment (\$210.13), SD Dept. of Env. & Natural resources (\$50.00).
Water WEB (\$932.43), Dept. of Revenue (\$13.00), Water Maintenance District (\$321.43).

Todd Hertel made motion to pay all bills; second by Larry Huettl.

The following deposits were

presented:
City General
Brown County Collections (\$1,045.12), Interest (\$14.05).
Sewer
Resident Payments - (\$150.00), Brown Co Collections (\$361.50).
Water
Resident Payments - (\$2,523.10).

NEW BUSINESS:
The Board approved an agreement with Clark Engineering for their part of the project, of installing the water meters.

A discussion was held on the fee rate of WEB water. WEB has raised their rates and the city will also follow to cover the new fee. The board will be adopting a new resolution on February 2nd at the next meeting to cover the new rates.

A discussion was held on the service agreement that will be used between the city and the property owners/ renters.

Doreen Hertel, Finance Officer
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Columbia City Jan. 6 Meeting Minutes

Unapproved Minutes
City of Columbia Council Meeting

January 6th, 2015 7pm
CALL MEETING TO ORDER by Mayor Mitchell

ROLL CALL E. Kuschel-Harr, C Kampa, T Kampa, A Davis

PUBLIC ATTENDING Kevin Hamilton, Andrew Murray

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING Motion to approve C Kampa, 2nd A Davis

FINANCIAL REPORT/WARRANT VOUCHERS

Warrants: Parks/Streets: Kevin Hamilton, 767.39 Full Circle Ag, 344.65 Utilities;

James Valley Tecom, 144.78 NorthWestern Energy, 590.09 Web Water, 22.95 Repairs/Supplies;

Runnings, 126.95 CNHI, 516.64 Office Supplies; Petty Cash, 100.00 Publishing;

Groton Independent, 22.81 Quarterly Contributions: 18.51 Miscellaneous: Finance Officer Wages: A Bisbee, 554.10 Reimbursement: C Kampa, 200.00

Sewer: NorthWestern Energy, 16.00 A Bisbee, 61.57 Discharge Permit, 150.00

COMMUNITY COMMENTS
Kevin Hamilton & Amanda Bisbee have a rotten/dead tree in the blvd that needs to be cut down; Andrew Murray is continuing to remove downed trees from the ball park

UNFINISHED BUSINESS
Nuisances - Will be getting tow tags for abandoned vehicles in town

Streets- Blade broke on city vehicle, some dead trees in town need to be cut

Parks- Another name needs to be added to memorial stone, concession stand needs new door, tree piles will be burned when conditions are right, will be looking for a contact for refurbishing archway sign at Ball Park, and A Davis is working with GFP on the boat ramp. The city received new American flags and lights from The Aberdeen American News.

Lagoon/sewer- Lines need to be flushed

Sewer accounts- One account overdue; will start the process of serving papers if not paid.

Rubble Site- Will be burned when conditions are right.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Mitchell made a motion to name the Groton Daily Independent as the official city newspaper. Approved by E Kuschel-Harr, 2nd by A Davis.

Mayor Mitchell made a motion to name First State Bank as the official bank for the city. Approved by A Davis, 2nd by T Kampa.

Council Wages (A Davis, C Kampa, T Kampa, E Kuschel-Harr) will remain the same.

Council members wage will be \$30 for each meeting held with an additional \$40 for attending the meeting.

Mayor Mitchell's wage will remain the same.

Mayor wage will be \$40 for each meeting held with an additional \$50 for attending the meeting.

City employee Kevin Hamilton wage will remain the same \$910 a month.

City Finance Officer Amanda Bisbee: Finance Officer wage will remain the same \$250. Sewer wage will be \$250.

THE NEXT CITY MEETING WILL BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 3RD AT 7:00.

A special meeting was held at 8:00 for a first reading for a Municipal Tax for the City of Columbia. The ordinance was read and was approved by all council members.

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Brown County Liebelt 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 January 2015, beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 123 South Lincoln Street, First Floor of the Municipal Building, to consider the Petition filed by Charlotte A Liebelt to amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the following described property from its present zoning designation of (R-2) Medium Density Residential District, (A-1) Agricultural District, and (R-5) Trailers, Trailer Parks and Planned Residential Area Trailers District to (M-AG) Mini-Agricultural District, said property being described as follows:

Outlot C in the NW ¼ of Sec 26-T123N-R64W and the East 1185' of the N ½ of the SW ¼ of Sec 26-T123N-R64W except Lot B and except the West 294' of the North 860', Brown County, SD (2130 12th Street South and adjacent land to South)

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, the council and commission may adopt first reading of Ordinance #15-01-01/442 granting Petition to Amend Ordinance No. 1164 and granting the Petition to Rezone said property. Dated this 6th day of January 2015.

ATTEST: Karl Alberts, Finance Officer
Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor
(0113.0120)

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Brown County Dec. 30 Meeting Minutes



DECEMBER 30, 2014 – GENERAL MEETING

Meeting called to order by Chairman Sutton at 8:45 A.M. December 30, 2014 in the Commissioner's Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, SD. Present were Commissioners Hansen, Kippley, Fischbach and Wiese. Commissioner Sutton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES: Moved by Wiese, seconded by Kippley to approve the General Meeting Minutes of December 23, 2014. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

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

Payroll: Commission \$3,527.51; Commission Assistant/Human Resources \$3,992.74; Auditor \$6,161.24; Treasurer \$11,647.68; Data Processing \$3,232.12; State's Attorney \$14,554.70; Blood Draws \$500.00; SVA-WA Grant \$1,825.94; Maintenance \$6,104.69; Assessor \$12,720.50; Register of Deeds \$8,470.87; Veterans Service Office \$3,467.74; GIS \$2,147.60; Sheriff Admin \$30,763.51; Jail \$32,699.50; Coroner \$450.00; JDC \$14,252.94; HD \$4,595.30; Welfare Office \$3,404.47; Museum \$6,932.16; Parks & Fairgrounds \$4,246.46; Fair Board \$4,096.50; 4-H \$0; Weed \$495.36; Planning and Zoning \$2,098.46; Highway \$44,664.57; Communications \$20,987.71; Emergency Management \$3,235.32; Teen Court \$98.35; 24/7 \$2,659.66; Landfill \$10,504.03

Matching Benefits: FICA \$15,512.16; Medicare \$3,627.89; Life \$677.88; Dental \$6,650.40; Health Insurance \$105,858.14; Retirement \$32,446.67

Insurance: SD Public Assurance Alliance \$300.00.

Professional Fees: C. Scott Bader \$130.00; Linda Marcuson \$40.00; NE Mental Health Center \$24,808.00; Sivertson Technology \$4,650.00; Standard & Poor's \$120.00; Melanie VanderPol-Bailey \$1,450.00.

Publishing: Aberdeen American News \$255.58; Dex Media \$53.55; Groton Independent \$354.66.

Rentals: Acadia Creek Limited \$330.00; Builder's Mgmt. & Invest Co. \$300.00; GPHC \$310.00.

Repairs & Maintenance: 446-Praxair \$6.45; Aberdeen Area Radiator \$236.00; Aberdeen Plumbing & Heating \$365.10; Crawford Trucks & Equip. \$5.60; Dakota Fluid Power \$263.04; Dakota Supply Group \$53.00; Dakota Tree Co. \$204.00; Diamond Mowers \$18.71; Diesel Machinery \$13,350.00; G & K Services \$289.39; Graham Tire \$332.40; Great Western Tire \$5.00; Honeywell \$4,460.02; House of Glass \$230.12; Newman Signs \$26.88; NorthStar Safety \$26.38; Overhead Door \$122.40; Pheasantland Industries \$101.41; PowerPlan \$5.00; Productivity Plus/Titan \$275.00; Running's \$179.99; Sheehan Mack \$1,617.74.

Supplies: 446-Praxair \$441.51; A & B Business \$184.19; Aberdeen Plumbing & Heating \$1269.74; Academy Trophy \$130.00; Barton Heating & A/C \$70.00; Biegler's \$45.90; CarQuest \$776.18; Cartney Bearing \$6.96; Crawford Trucks & Equip. \$1,838.77; Dakota Electronics \$3,643.75; Dakota Fluid Power \$2,012.00; Dakota Oil \$518.80; Diamond Mowers \$293.99; Diesel Machinery \$105.88; Farm Power Mfg. \$19.98; Farnam's \$36.28; Fastenal \$47.31; Gardner Locksmithing \$17.00; GCR Tires & Service \$168.00; Geffdog \$241.98; Gellhaus & Gellhaus \$80.00; GovConnection \$2,432.55; Great Western Tire \$676.12; Honeywell \$826.17; ITS \$2,693.95; Interstate Battery System \$345.75; Marco \$4,574.32; McFarland Supply \$17.35; Menards \$99.24; Midstates Printing

\$1,212.80; Mobile Electronic Service \$3,400.00; Myer's Tire Supply \$134.40; NCFE – Warner Elevator \$28,594.62; Newman Signs \$737.40; NorthStar Safety \$604.63; Pheasantland Industries \$2,739.75; Photo-X-Press \$74.39; PowerPlan \$475.56; Productivity Plus/Titan \$1,621.65; ProForma \$266.59; Quality Welding \$1,030.00; Reuer's Auto Service \$10.14; Running's \$41.68; Schaeffer's Mfg. \$506.92; SD Secretary of State \$66,567.00; SDN Communications \$464.16; Sheehan Mack \$250.18; Steven Lust Automotive \$1.89; UltraMax \$1,000.00; Jeff's Home Improvement \$1,938.78; Zone's \$2,500.33.

Travel & Conference: Tom Fischbach \$103.60; Kathy Fischer \$289.52; Duane Jark \$33.84; Rachel Kippley \$106.56; Troy Knecht \$73.32; Barry Kusler \$62.51; Leo Lesher \$256.62; Gene Loeschke \$296.57; Russell Metz \$181.89; Mark Milbrandt \$128.00; Montana-Dakota Utilities \$29.56; Duane Sutton \$111.00; Dennis Wiedebush \$33.84; Michael Wiese \$61.42.

Utilities: AT & T \$69.99; CenturyLink \$200.37; Dependable Sanitation \$451.00; Economy Propane \$2,523.00; NWPS \$467.32; Verizon \$2,168.03.

Other: James River Water Dist. \$22,818.66.

Jury Duty: Julie Beck \$67.40; Betty Berger \$22.96; Matthew Biegler \$22.96; Valerie Bittner \$22.96; Janie Bohling \$22.96; Kermit Born \$22.96; Tyler Brown \$114.44; Michael Bultema \$62.96; Rozanna Casanova \$114.44; Darren Corcoran \$154.44; Calvin Cunningham \$22.96; Robert Cutler \$198.80; Roxann Dahl \$22.96; Justin Dell \$37.76; Sandra Dobberpuhl \$28.88; Roger Dummer \$11.48; Rose Durband \$22.96; Kristi Dutenhoeffer \$51.48; Glenn Enstad \$114.44; Karin Farris \$13.70; Irene Fenske \$22.96; Ronald Finwall \$22.96; Clint Fjelstad \$49.60; Paul Fonder \$27.40; Brian Gamroth \$22.96; Roy Geffre \$22.96; Mary Gerats \$22.96; Glenn Graves \$61.44; David Grettler \$114.44; John Griffin \$22.96; Leone Grismer \$62.96; Katherine Gross \$25.92; Eric Hansen \$31.84; Lindsey Heidenreich \$22.96; Jeremy Hofer \$15.18; Michael Holm \$22.96; Ona Hughes \$22.96; Marnie Johnson \$22.96; Michele Jones \$22.96; Blake Ketterling \$62.96; Kirby Kiesz \$114.44; Elaine Kling \$24.44; Wade Kluss \$11.48; Taralee Klungs-eth \$22.96; Dennis Kolb \$11.48; Kristi Kumpf \$114.44; Elizabeth Labesky \$21.10; Janna Larson \$22.96; Linda Lemler \$22.96; Richard Lemler \$11.48; Joshua Lindquist \$13.70; Donald Maunu \$176.60; Brian Menzel \$22.96; Randall Metzinger \$22.96; Kayla Miller \$114.44; Philip Morrison \$11.48; Ronald Neitzel \$22.96; Daniel Nelson \$42.20; Janice Padgett \$22.96; Denise Punt \$132.20; Linda Rauscher \$22.96; Jean Roeszler \$172.20; Mary Rombs \$22.96; Todd Rosebrock \$22.96; Joshua Schmidt \$22.96; Arlene Schneiderman \$11.48; Everett Schnoor \$49.60; Amy Schock \$64.44; Dorothy Schock \$22.96; Mary Schultz \$22.96; Jerry Schumack \$158.88; Amanda Siro \$22.96; Daniel Smith \$62.96; Lyle Smith \$62.96; Patrick Sommers \$22.96; Wanda Speich \$46.64; Jeffrey Steen \$57.00; Jill Stephenson \$22.96; Megan Stone \$11.48; Megan Stout \$22.96; Jack Torrence \$19.62; Kevin Vaughn \$37.76; Nancy Vietmeier \$89.60; Karen Wiedebush \$57.00; Lynda Wiedebush \$36.28; Thomas Woods \$89.60. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL: Moved by Kippley, seconded by Hansen to approve the following employee step increases, effective January 4, 2015: Adelaide Mouna @ \$15.59 per hour, Mickey Schulz @ \$15.18 per hour, Kyle Kost @ \$16.37 per hour, Sonje Oban @ \$14.10 per hour, Gerald Lehrkamp @ \$16.88 per hour. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Hansen, seconded by Kippley to approve hiring Amber Schmierer as Deputy Auditor, effective January 5, 2015 at \$13.92 per hour. All members present

voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Hansen, seconded by Wiese to approve hiring Brenda Aman as part-time employee in the Treasurer's Office, effective January 5, 2015 at \$14.16 per hour. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

INCREASE SPENDING AUTHORITY/ESTIMATED REVENUE: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Wiese to increase spending authority and estimated revenue in the following funds for unanticipated reimbursement for expenditures: Fund #234-4.331 @ \$429.03, #234-5.222.426 @ \$429.03 (POD); Fund #101-4.331.01 @ \$45,428.14, #101-5-712.429 @ \$45,428.14 (NECOG-CDBG New Tec); Fund #101-4.331.97 @ \$40,720.09, #101-5.152.411 @ \$34,961.40, 101-5.152.426 @ \$3,901.99, #101-5.152.427 @ \$1,856.70 (SVAWA Grant); Fund #101-4.331.90 @ \$6,534.96, #101-5.211.411 @ \$5,650.64, #101-5.211.412.10 @ \$350.34, #101-5-211.412.20 @ \$81.94, #101-5-211.413 @ \$452.04 (Highway Safety Grant); Fund #201-4.331.91 @ \$190,291.76, #201-5-211.411 @ \$2,616.31 @ \$190,291.76 (Highway); Fund #248-4.334 @ \$17,082.00, #248-5-212.411 @ \$15,034.50, #248-5.212.412.10 @ \$930.00, #248-5.212.412.20 @ \$217.50, #248-5-212.413 @ \$900.00 (24/7 Sobriety). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

CONTINGENCY TRANSFERS: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Wiese to approve the following Contingency Transfers: increase spending authority (no cash): Fund #101-5.xxx.422.99: 153 CALC @ \$15,782.18; 162 Director of Equalization @ \$7,217.76; 163 Register of Deeds @ \$3,073.26; 212 Jail @ \$12,927.82; 441 Mentally Ill @ \$64,420.33, 442 Developmental Disabled @ \$40.00; 443 Drug Abuse @ \$699.20; 523 Fairgrounds @ \$97,275.43; 524 Fair @ \$47,209.31; 615 Weed @ \$929.46; 102-5.221.423 @ \$20.61; reduce spending authority (no cash) 101-112-422 @ \$249,595.36. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

OPERATING TRANSFERS: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Wiese to transfer interest from General to individual funds as current revenue: #101-4.361 @ \$8,928.73 to #201 @ \$2,515.14, #207 @ \$623.75, #226 @ \$143.36, #401 @ \$1,018.63, #504 @ \$4,627.85; and further per Commission Policy transfer to #101-4.371 General Fund @ \$7,142.99 from #201-5.311.911 Highway @ \$2,515.14 and #504-5.322.911 Solid Waste @ \$4,627.85. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

BID – SCBA TANKS: Time and place, as advertised for public hearing to open, read and consider bids for furnishing 36 SCBA (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus) Tanks for the Brown County Rural Fire Chiefs, to be purchased with Homeland Security Grant Funds in 2015. Moved by Hansen, seconded by Wiese to accept bid (only bid received), submitted by Allegiant Emergency Services Inc in amount of \$36,000.00 for furnishing and delivery of 36 Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) Tanks for the Brown County Rural Fire Chiefs in total amount of \$36,000.00, to be funded in 2015 by Homeland Security Grant Funds. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

JAIL BONDING DISCUSSION: Senior Vice Presidents Tom Grimmond and Ray "Woody" Woodsend, Dougherty & Company LLC explained engagement letter needed to disclose information about bonding. Moved by Wiese, seconded by Hansen to authorize the Chairman to sign engagement letter with Dougherty & Company LLC, as required by underwriter rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (MSRB) and the Securities Exchange Commission (SEC), which does not obligate the County only allows Dougherty & Company to disclose underwriting information to the County. The following information was then provided: (1 Methods available to finance the \$1.4 million needed for this jail project; 2)

Bond market information; and (3 Supplemental statistical information. Discussion followed with no action taken.

TAX DEED PROPERTY: Moved by Wiese, seconded by Hansen to increase costs added to amount required for redemption to \$400.00 per parcel, as authorized by SDCL 10-25-9. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Wiese, seconded by Hansen to authorize Sheila Enderson, County Treasurer to submit all qualifying parcels to the States Attorney for completion of the tax deed process, excluding three parcels previously exempted. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

UNCOLLECTIBLE TAX LIST: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Wiese to acknowledge uncollectible tax list (three parcels), as submitted by Sheila Enderson, Brown County Treasurer. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

POLICY MANUAL CHANGES: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Wiese to approve the proposed Employee Policy Manual changes, submitted by Gary Vetter, Commission assistant. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ASSIGNED FUND BALANCE: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Wiese to designate \$50,000.00 as Assigned Fund Balance, effective December 30, 2014 for Fairgrounds Capital Improvements. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Wiese to go into executive session to discuss legal issue, per SDCL 1-25-2 (3) with Larry Lovrien, Gary Vetter and Commissioner Elect Fjeldheim 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.

ADJOURNMENT: Chairman Sutton presented Mike Wiese a gift expressing thanks and appreciation for his years of service to Brown County. Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Wiese to adjourn the Brown County Commission. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor
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Groton City Jan. 5 Meeting Minutes



January 5, 2015
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: Glover, Blackmun, Muilenburg, McGannon, Flihs, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Opp was absent. Also present were: Attorney Johnson, Finance Officer Lowary and Kosel of Groton Independent, Shawn Lambert, Ward Gilchrist, Terry Herron, Dwight Zerr, and Stacy Mayou.

Department reports were given by Ward Gilchrist, Electric Supt.; Terry Herron, Street & Water Supt.; Dwight Zerr, Wastewater Supt.; Stacy Mayou, Police Chief; and Finance Officer Lowary. Topics included were load management, line mapping, Hwy 37 project, trees, warehouse improvements, skating rink, snow plowing, Safe Route To School requirements, relining sewers, 2014 citation summary, dog licenses and chip seal project plans.

Moved by McGannon and seconded by Blackmun to remove the handicap parking sign from the city parking lot as requested by Dakota Press. All members present voted aye.

Discussion was held and tabled on parking habits along the north side of E 5th Ave by Olive Grove Golf Course.

Dept heads, Gilchrist, Herron, Zerr, and Mayou leave the meeting.

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

The financial report was approved on a motion by Blackmun and seconded by Muilenburg.

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

Executive Payroll 404.04 salaries; Administrative Payroll 5,706.39 salaries; Public Safety Payroll 12,468.59 salaries; Public Works Payroll 13,732.11 salaries; First State Bank 6,629.02 ss & wh; First State Bank 55,178.08 LOC pay, interest; City of Groton 4,531.51 refunds, postage, FamCr, lite prizes; Cons Fed Cr Union 1,150.00 emp savings; Duanes 200.00 Fam Cr gas; US Post Office 205.66 postage; 1st National Bank 2,985.04 2nd St Sewer Loan; 1st National Bank 6,975.69 West Sewer Loan; 1st National Bank 4,344.69 RR Crossing Loan; 1st National Bank 7,670.84 Main St Sewer Loan; 1st National Bank 960.99 07 Flooded Sewer Loan; 1st National Bank 2,207.95 NE Sewer Loan; 1st National Bank 5,287.72 EPA Loan; April Abeln 92.79 med flex; Assoc Supply Co 37.75 chlorine tablets; Bahr Spray Foam 510.20 well house insulation; Cannon Tech 7,200.00 LM supp; Chase Visa 669.88 software, postage, certif, books; Clark Eng 6,750.00 eng; Dakota Electronics 201.30 repairs, pager serv; Duanes 939.77 gas, battery; Groton Independent 172.92 publish, subscrip; H D Supply 225.76 cplg, straps; Heartland Waste 6,129.40 garbage hauling; James Valley Telecomm 877.53 phone, internet; Drew Johnson 1,925.00 legal serv; Lambert, Shawn 100.00 Heartland grant; Metering & Technology Solutions 314.25 meters; NW Energy 10.00 nat gas; Runnings 167.53 repairs; S&S Lumber 81.41 supplies; SD Board of Operators Cert 18.00 cert fees; SD Dept of Env & Nat Res 1,500.00 wastewater fee; SD Dept of Health 26.00 testing; SD Retirement 7,625.93 retirement; Sperry Tree Service 1,550.00 stump grind; United Lease & Finance 15,482.07 transformer loan; US Postal Service 220.00 mailing permit; USTI 915.00 comp supp; Verizon Wireless 41.61 wireless; WEB Water 9,902.19 water

Moved by Muilenburg and seconded by Glover to recognize the following volunteers and employees and thank them for their service. All members present voted aye.

Baseball Volunteers: Jerry Locke, Matt Locke, Mitchell Locke, Brenda Waage, Meri Erickson, Brenda Madson, Kathy Bjerke, Travis Kurth, Steve Giedt, Randy Stanley, Scott Thorson, Lars Hanson, Kevin Pharis, Mike Weber, Justin Hanson, Jim Lane, Scott Kampa, Tom Woods, Patti Woods, Zelos Johnson, Eric Moody, Kevin Nehls, Joel Forsting, Craig Dunker, Brian Shuring, Mark Herman, Marcy Blackmun. , Kiwanis and Legion members.

Elected Officials: Mayor Scott Hanlon @\$400/month; Council Members: David McGannon, David Blackmun, Ed Opp, Mary Flihs, Michelle Muilenburg, and Burt Glover @ \$1,200/year; Planning and Zoning Commission members @ \$25/meeting: Les Hinds, Gordon Nelson, Jeff Steen, Sherwin Nyberg, and Chris Kahli; Appointed Official: Anita Lowary, Finance Officer @ \$5,332.60/month; Employees: Peggy Locke, Deputy Finance Officer @ \$19.58/hr; April Abeln, Asst. Finance Officer @ \$19.16/hr; Stacy Mayou, Police Chief @ \$4,731.65/month; Jerry Bjerke, Asst. Police Chief @ \$4,238.60/month; Justin Cleveland, Police Officer @ \$4,074.25/month; David Hunter, Police Officer @ \$3,590.77/month; Terry Herron, Public Works Coordinator & Water Supt @ \$26.57/hr; Paul Kosel, Public Works Tech Worker @ \$22.84/hr; Dwight Zerr,

Wastewater Supt @ \$23.42/hr; Branden Abeln, Asst Street Supt @ \$21.53/hr; Ward Gilchrist, Electric Supt @ \$38.85/hr; Shawn Lambert, Electric Lineman @ \$34.03/hr; Jim Gerdes, Part-time Public Works Laborer @ \$15.49/hr; Justin Olson, Warming House Manager @ \$9.00/hr; Logan Lane, Jamie Krueger, Haley Unzen, Katie LaMee, Carter Jondahl, and Joe Griebinghoff, Warming House Attendants @ \$8.50/hr.

Blackmun announced that the baseball committee would be sponsoring a fund raising event with Dueling Pianos to be held at the Legion on April 11, 2015.

Mayor Hanlon announced that he was reappointing Les Hinds to Planning and Zoning Commission for another 5 year term. Moved by McGannon and seconded by Blackmun to approve this appointment. All members present voted aye.

At 7:30pm no one appeared at the malt beverage hearing. Mayor Hanlon and Attorney Johnson reported that Tim Thurston had contacted them and he wished to voluntarily surrender his malt beverage license. Moved by Glover and seconded by Blackmun to recommend to SD State that the Malt Beverage License for Thirstys Lodge & Suites be suspended at Mr. Thurston's request until the felony criminal charge case is settled. All members present voted aye.

Heartland Consumer Power District granted \$1,500 to Groton City for new energy efficient lighting in the west warehouse.

A signal light will be added to the golf well house to show low temperatures.

After a long discussion on the Safe Route to School grant, it was moved by Glover and seconded by Muilenburg to authorize Mayor Hanlon to sign the grant deadline extension documents for the Safe Route to School grant. All members present voted aye.

Shawn Lambert left the meeting at this point.

Legislative Day on Feb 3 & 4 in Pierre was announced and Hanlon and Lowary expressed interest in attending. Lowary gave a legislative update on what bills the Municipal League was proposing.

Moved by Glover and seconded by Flihs to pass the following statement of support on one of the proposed laws: The City of Groton supports a local option additional penny of municipal sales tax, with the approval of our voters, for infrastructure projects. Members voting aye were Glover, Flihs, McGannon, and Blackmun. Muilenburg voted nay. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on how the baseball concession stand would be operated in 2015. An advertisement requesting proposals will be published.

Moved by Muilenburg and seconded by McGannon to authorize Mayor Hanlon and Asst Electric Supt Shawn Lambert to attend the NW Energy meeting on Jan 28 in Huron. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Blackmun and seconded by Glover to authorize Terry Herron to attend the water school in Pierre on Jan 13-14. All members present voted aye.

The Groton Chamber annual meeting on Jan 9 was announced and Mayor Hanlon and Glover may attend.

At 8:46pm the Council adjourned into executive session to discuss legal & personal matters on a motion by Muilenburg and seconded by Glover. All members present voted aye. At 9:15pm the Council reconvened into regular session.

Meeting adjourned.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor
Anita Lowary, Finance Officer
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Friendly Fellows and Daisy 4-H

The Friendly Fellows and Daisy 4-H club met Nov. 2nd, 2014 at the Methodist Church in Claremont. The meeting was called to order by Dylan Frey. The American Pledge was led by Nicole Marzahn and the 4-H pledge was led by Colin Frey. Roll call topic was Favorite Halloween Candy. The treasurer's report was approved by Trey Wright and seconded by Hannah Miller. The Secretary's reports were approved by Colin Frey and seconded Braden Boe. There was no old business that followed. For new business Mike Frey discussed the Christmas party. Andrew Marzahn motioned to closed new business and Kennedy Anderson seconded. The meeting was adjourned by Landon Marzahn and seconded by Mallory Miller. Kamryn Flihs gave a demonstration speech on Crazy Looms. Lunch was served by Kaitlyn and Kennedy Anderson. The next meeting will be December 2nd at the Claremont Legion. Submitted by Kaitlyn Ringgenberg

The Friendly Fellows and Daisies 4-H club held its annual Christmas party on Dec. 7th at the Claremont legion. Members and their families attending were Kaitlyn and Kennedy Anderson; Braden Boe; Kennedy Clark; Carly, Clay and Austin Crawford; Kamryn, Karsten, Braeden Flihs; Dylan and Colin Frey; Kassidy and Kalli Larson; Breanna, Landon, Nicole, and Andrew Marzahn; Hanna, Mallory, and Tucker Miller; Logan Ringgenberg; Elizabeth Sanderson; Jonathan, Hannah, and Jakob Sumption; Bradyn Wieker; and Madilyn Wright. Guest include Janice Flihs, Jackie Pigott, Yvonne Gibbs, Marie Patterson, Bernice Docter, Virginia Pulfery, Janet Neff, Mary Anne Clark, Connie Anderson, Kenny and Janet Frey. Attendees played card bingo with lots of prizes being won. The members presented the guests with a giving plate and a bag of trail mix. We then had a late lunch, the 4-H members sang Christmas carols to the guest and leaders. Mike Frey presented each 4-H member with awards for the year and gift. The club presented a slide show their guests of everything the members have done throughout the year. The next meeting will be held Jan. 4th 2015 at the Jungle in Groton. Submitted by Kaitlyn Ringgenberg

The Friendly Fellow and Daisy 4-H club met Jan. 4th, 2015 at the Jungle in Groton. The meeting was called to order by Dylan Frey. American Pledge was led by Trey Wright and the 4-H was led by Landon Marzahn. Roll call topic was favorite Christmas Gift. We had thank

you letters from the guest at our Christmas party. The Treasure's report were approved by Andrew Marzahn and seconded by Kennedy Anderson. Secretary's report was approved by Braden Boe and seconded by Trey Wright. Old businesses was the Christmas party. Colin Frey closed old businesses and seconded by Nicole Marzahn. Other businesses was boiling. The meeting was adjourned by Kaitlyn Anderson and seconded by Carly Crawford. Carly Crawford gave a talk and demo's on Sauerkraut. Lunch was served by Dylan and Colin Fry. The next meeting will be February 8th at the Claremont church. Submitted by Kaitlyn Ringgenberg

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But not since 1962 has South Dakota sent an all-Republican delegation to Congress. This is a pretty historic occurrence; especially considering the last time Republicans held the majority in both chambers of Congress and South Dakota had an all-Republican delegation was 1953.



The 2015 delegation from South Dakota are Senator Mike Rounds, Senator John Thune and Representative Kristi Noem.



The 1962 delegation from South Dakota were (L-R) Rep. E.Y. Berry, Sen. Joseph Botum, Sen. Karl Mundt and Rep. Ben Reifel

While divided delegations can provide opportunities to work together, South Dakotans stand to benefit from a strong leadership team in Congress that will promote Republican policies that create jobs, reduce federal regulatory overreach, stimulate the economy, and get Washington's legislative process working again for them.

Over the past few years of Democrat control in the Senate, too often the minority party was shut out of the legislative process, leading to dysfunction and gridlock. Under Republican control, the Senate will get back to work, returning to regular order, which means bills will be considered out in the open in committees before coming to the Senate floor, and all senators, regardless of party, will have a chance to propose and debate amendments.

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Dakota State Fall Honors List Released

A total of 397 full-time and 143 part-time students qualified for the President's Academic Honors list for the 2014 Fall Semester at Dakota State University (DSU) in Madison, S.D. Shannon Wright of Columbia achieved a grade point average of 3.5 to 4.0 to qualify for the honors list.

School Board Continued from front

There are plans to refurbish the school track surface with a fresh coat of 1/2" rubber on top of the existing track. The existing track has been in place for 11 years. If there are any issues, this will be the time that the base would be repaired. The recommended opening bid date is February 9, 2015, at 2 p.m.

Linda McInerney's work agreement for special education transportation was amended up 1/2 hour each week at \$9.25 an hour, effective December 19, 2014.

Brian Gravatt's special education transportation agreement was changed to three days a week, Monday-Thursday, at \$9.25 an hour, effective January 12, 2015.

Brittany Kjelden was hired as a part-time custodian for not more than 20 hours a week at \$8.50 an hour.

The board approved the amendment for the Safe Route to School grant to be extended to January 11, 2017. Superintendent Joe Schwan said that he would at least like to see sidewalk on the south end of the football field.

The board approved the resignation of Joey Padfield with the final date of employment of January 23, 2015. Joey has gotten a job in Aberdeen at \$2 an hour more and will not have to commute back and forth. He has been a custodian.

GT Robotics Competition is Jan. 24

The Groton Area Robotics Competition will be held Saturday, Jan. 24, with the opening ceremony at 10 a.m. and the closing and awards ceremony around 4:30 p.m. The event



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