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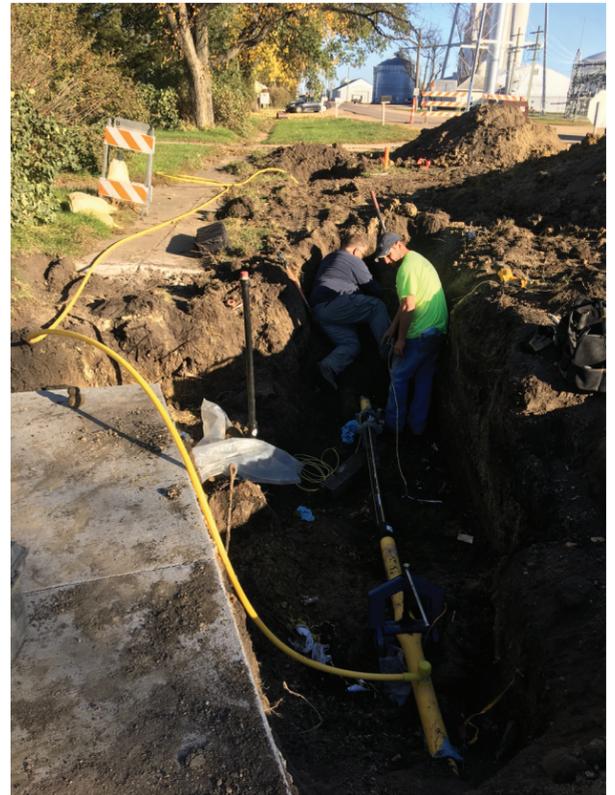
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Groton MS Students Attend Northwestern MS Music Festival

For the first time twenty-eight junior high students attended the 9th annual Northwestern Middle School Festival in Mellette on October 10th. Guest directors for the event was Groton's very own Mr. Cody Swanson for the choir and Mr. Reid Johnson for the band. Twenty-one students made up Groton's JH Choir and the remaining nine students represented the band.

There is a selected process for the band. Directors in the surrounding areas nominate students for this festival and a committee of directors decide who is accepted. Mrs. Yeigh nominated eleven Groton Band Students and nine of them were selected.

Along with Groton, fourteen other area schools were represented in this festival. The students worked with Mr. Swanson or Mr. Johnson all day to prepare pieces for an evening concert that was open to the public at Northwestern High School.



Main Natural Gas line hit

Webster Scale was attempting to repair a broken water valve when it hit a three-inch Natural Gas line that serves much of Groton. According to a Northwestern Energy official, the main was only slightly ruptured. Had it been damaged further and the line would have been depressurized, approximately 200 meters would have had to been turned off individually and once the line was repaired, natural gas would be turned on house by house. "We were lucky," the official said. "If it was any worse, we would have been here until midnight."

What you see in the photo above are Northwestern Energy workers Dick Paulson and Mark Hallenbeck working on the line. The yellow line was a temporary bypass while the main line was repaired. Below, Hallenbeck (wearing green) and Paulson are repairing the tracer line.



Middle School Band Members

Front row from left to right: Ethan Clark-Baritone, Cole Bisbee-Baritone, Caleb Hanten- Trombone, and Andrew Marzahn-Trombone; back row from left to right: Kamryn Flihs-Tenor Sax, Jackson Dinger-French Horn, Mrs. Desiree Yeigh, Mr. Reid Johnson, Cassie Schultz- Trumpet, Ellie Weismantel- Percussion, and Rease Jandel-Bass Clarinet. (Courtesy Photo)



Middle School Choir

Front row from left to right: Porter Johnson, Jackson Bahr, and Jacob Lewandowski; Second row from left to right: Michael Aalseth, Trinity Smith, Cadance Tullis, Ava Tunheim, Jacie Gleason, Nicole Figgora; Back row from left to right: Sarah Jacobs, Stella Meier, Shaylee Peterson, Sierra Ehresmann, Mr. Cody Swanson, Shaylee Peterson, Ava Kramer, Carter Barse, Julianna Kosel, Megan Flihs, and KayLynn Overacker. (Courtesy Photo)

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Langford pulls out win over Groton

Langford Area pulled out a 3-1 win over Groton Area Monday evening in a match played in Langford.

Langford went extra points to defeated Groton in the first game, 27-25. Groton Area came back to soundly beat Langford in the second game, 25-9. But the Lions came roaring back to take the next two games, 25-20 and 25-23.

Groton Area is still holding on to the number one position in the region. The Tigers will be hosting Northwestern tonight. The Wildcats are 27-1 on the season with their only loss to Parker.

In sets, Groton Area was 138 of 138 with 29 assists and Langford Area was 136 of 137 with 37 assists. Groton Area was led by Miranda Hanson with 111 of 111 with 25 assists. Langford Area was led by Chesney Olson with 86 of 86 with 21 assists and Addy Taylor was 50 of 51 with 15 assists.

In serves, Groton Area was 89 of 95 with 12 ace serves. Miranda Hanson was 21 of 23 with four ace serves and Eliza Wanner was 16 of 16 with three ace serves. The Lions were 75 of 83 with seven ace serves. Ady Dwight was 19 of 20 with two ace serves and Chesney Olson was 18 of 19 with two ace serves.

In spikes, Groton Area was 110 of 125 with 38 kills. Jennie Doeden was 26 of 39 with 12 kills and Gia Gengerke was 17 of 20 with eight kills. The Lions were 115 of 133 with 39 kills. Ady Dwight was 57 of 62 with 23 kills and Chesney Olson was 17 of 24 with eight kills.

The Tigers had 74 digs with Payton Maine having 18. Langford had 52 digs with Madi Nelson having 20, Ady Dwight nine and Maddie R. with nine. Gia Gengerke had seven solo and three assisted blocks. Langford Area had 22 blocks with Ady Dwight having 11.

Groton Area won the junior varsity match, 25-22 and 25-9.



Frederick (Combined)

The next band is from Frederick under the direction of Liz Labesky. The band marches two parades each fall with the goal of giving their best performance possible and making their community proud. Performing "Smoke on the Water," please welcome the Frederick Marching Band.



Langford Area Marching Lions (Combined)

The Langford Area Band is under the direction of Kelly Weiser, who has spent 22 of her 28 years of teaching in Langford. Today they will be performing the song "Timber" under the command of Drum Majors Brandy Peterson and Ashley Gustafson.

The Langford Area Marching Lions has a long-standing tradition of excellence. For the past several decades, the band has consistently received top awards at the NSU Gypsy Day Parade and Band of Merit and Band of Distinction honors at the Lake Region Marching Festival.

Ladies and gentlemen, the Langford Area Marching Lions present, "Timber."

Groton United Methodist Church
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October 16 Team Standings: James Valley 16 1/2, Ten Pins 14, Kens 11 1/2, Jungle lanes 6
High Games: Vicki Walter 186, 167; Vickie Kramp 172; Mary Jane Jark 172; Arlowyn Spencer 155.

High Series: Vicki Walter 482, Vickie Kramp 466, Mary Jane Jark 464

Conde National League

October 16 Team Standings: Giants 16, Mets 14, Cubs 12 1/2, Colts 10, Braves 10, Pirates 9 1/2

Men's High Games: Russ Bethke 216, Topper Tastad 213, Lance Frohling 203.

Men's High Series: Russ Bethke 520, Larry Frohling 486, Lance Frohling 482

Women's High Games: Sandy Hoops 182, Joyce Walter 169, Vickie Kramp 160

Women's High Series: Vickie Kramp 467, Joyce Walter 455, Sandy Hoops 439

KIWANIS CLUB

Sharon Simon was program leader for Kiwanis at the Wednesday noon dinner meeting. Sharon introduced Carla Imrie, from Groton's Subway. Carla spoke on her experiences as a Red Cross volunteer, and showed slides of her recent visits to Texas, and Puerto Rico, where she she was a Red Cross volunteer, assisting in the hurricane disasters there.

The Red Cross has been in America since 1881. Carla highly praised Scott Meints, Brown County emergency manager, and his team in this county.

Carla stated, "We are VERY prepared for ANY type of disaster in Brown county, tornadoes, school shootings, or ANYTHING.

Roger Rix reported on plans for the annual Kiwanis sponsored Snow Queen and talent contest, set for November 5. Tom and Barb Paepke have volunteered to prepare and serve the queens meal that evening.

Next week's program leader is Larry Schelle on October 25, and Lee Schinkel on November 1. October 18 will be installation of new officers.



Groton Area High School (exhibition)

The Groton Area High School Marching Band is under the direction of Mr. Austin Fordham, in just his second year. The drum major is Ms. Ashley Garduno and the Marching Tigers will be performing "Alive and Amplified."

The 45 member marching band marched in Groton Area's Homecoming Parade and NSU's Gypsy Day Parade. Today they are proud to host the 2017 Lake Region Marching Band Festival. Good luck to all the bands today! In exhibition, here is the Groton Area High School Marching Band with "Alive and Amplified."



Groton Area Jr. High School (exhibition)

The Groton Area Junior High Marching Band is under the direction of Mrs. Desiree Yeigh in her tenth year of music education, the past three of which have been at Groton Area.

37 members strong, the Groton Area Junior High band has marched in the Groton Area Homecoming Day Parade and now the Lake Region Marching Festival. They are honored and excited to represent Groton Area at this festival. Performing "Handclap" here is the The Groton Junior High Marching Band!

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Brown County Ord. 470

Meyers' Rezoning
NOTICE OF HEARING OF THE ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL AND THE BROWN COUNTY COMMISSION

REGARDING A PETITION TO REZONE CERTAIN PROPERTY

A public hearing will be held by the Aberdeen City Council and the Brown County Commission on the 24th day of October 2017, beginning at 8:45 a.m. in the Brown County Commission Chambers, 25 Market Street, to consider the petition filed by Andy and Cindy Meyers, to amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the following described property from its present zoning designation of (A-1) Agricultural District to (M-AG) Mini-Agricultural District, said property being described as follows:

Proposed Lot 1, Andy & Cindy Meyers Addition to Aberdeen in the N 1/2 SW 1/4 of Sec 28- T124N-R63W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (12856 390th Avenue)

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, each board may adopt first reading of Ordinance #17-10-02/470 granting petition to amend Ordinance No. 1164 and granting the petition to rezone said property. Dated this 2nd day of October 2017.

ATTEST: Karl Alberts, Finance Officer
Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor (1011.1018)
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Groton School Notice of Board Vacancy

The Groton Area School Board of Education is accepting applicants to fill the school board term held by Kelly Kjelden. Applications are available at the District Business Office and will be accepted until 5:00 PM on Wednesday, November 8, 2017. (1011.1018)
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Wildcats win 3 games over Tigers

Northwestern came to town Tuesday evening and went home with a 3-0 win over the Groton Tigers. Game scores were 25-18, 25-9 and 25-17.

In serving, Groton Area was 44 of 45 with no ace serves. Miranda Hanson was 10 for 10 and Jessica Bjerke was eight for eight. The Wildcats were 68 of 73 with seven ace serves. Hannah Schentzel was 17 of 18 with four ace serves, Peyton Groft was 21 of 21 with two ace serves and Evy Peterson was seven of eight with one ace serve.

The Tigers were 91 of 102 in attacks with 23 kills. Gia Gengerke was 25 of 28 with nine kills and Jennie Doeden was 19 of 21 with eight kills. Northwestern was 106 of 120 with 45 kills. Caitlyn Fischbach was 21 of 23 with 13 kills, Riley Grandpre was 19 of 21 with 12 kills and Evy Peterson was 21 of 25 with 12 kills.

Groton Area was 94 of 96 in sets with 22 assists. Miranda Hanson was 69 of 71 with 18 assists. Northwestern was 117 of 117 with Madalyn Groft being 91 of 91 with 43 assists and Peyton Groft was seven of seven with five assists.

Groton Area had 51 digs with Payton Maine having 20 and Miranda Hanson 13. Northwestern had 67 digs with Peyton Groft having 17, Addi Sparling 12 and Evy Peterson 10. Gia Gengerke had four solo blocks for Groton Area and Riley Grandpre, Caitlyn Fischbach and Maddlyn Groft each had an assist for Northwestern.

Northwestern Area won the junior varsity match by game scores of 25-11 and 25-10. The C team split with Northwestern, 25-19 and 16-25. The eighth graders lost, 25-11 and 25-23 and the seventh graders woner, 25-23 and 25-15.

Groton wraps up the regular season Monday by hosting Milbank area.

Brown County BC Concession Fair Week

NOTICE OF HEARING OF THE BROWN COUNTY COMMISSION

REGARDING AN AMENDMENT TO SECOND REVISION BROWN COUNTY ORDINANCE, TITLE 16

A public hearing will be held by the Brown County Commission on the 31st day of October 2017 beginning at 8:50 a.m. in the Commission Chambers, Courthouse Annex, to consider an ordinance amending Second Revision Brown County Ordinances, Title 16, Chapter 16.06, Section 16.06.04(6) Contracts to Operate Certain Concessions During Fair Week, as follows:

CHAPTER 16.06 OTHER PROVISIONS
16.06.04 Contracts to Operate Certain Concessions During Fair Week:

16-06-04(6) If a Contract if terminated as provided by either section 5a or 5b above, and should the Brown County Commission decide to enter into a new contract, the Commission will:

a. Advertise for proposals over a two week timeframe at a date to be determined by the Brown

County Commission with a submission deadline of no later than the first Tuesday of December of that year.

b. The Commission will then investigate the various proposals with a view of awarding a contract within 30 days of the submission deadline or December 31st of that year, whichever is first.

c. If a contract is terminated at a time other than during the Contract Review Period, the County Commission will establish a schedule similar to the one provided herein, other than for the particular dates, to award a new contract.

The public is invited to attend the hearing and to present comments and testimony regarding the amendment to Title 16, Chapter 16.06, Section 16.06.04(6). At the conclusion of the hearing, the Brown County Commission may adopt first reading of Brown County Ordinance No. 110.

Dated this 10th day of October 2017

ATTEST:
Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor (1018.1025)

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Claremont Town Oct. 10, 2017 Meeting Minutes

The board of Trustees for the Town of Claremont met on 10-10-17 at 8:00 p.m. in City hall. President Johnson called the meeting to order with trustees Spencer and Rasmussen present. Andrew Murray was also present. On a motion by Spencer and seconded by Rasmussen the minutes of the September meeting were announced as read. On a motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Spencer the following warrants were allowed: General: Brown County Highway, chip seal, \$2900.00; first State Bank, loan payment-mower, 817.63; Fire Safety first, 5 tanks tested, 17.50; Charla Rye, ink for printer, 43.45; Hanse Service, e-10 gas-mower, 60.70; Brown County Auditor, mosquito spraying, 1247.72; Unemployment Ins. S.D., 3rd quarter report, 1.97; IRS, 3rd quarter fed. report, 88.64; James Valley, phone and internet, 86.17; Missi Smith, 5

hrs. mowing, 46.17; NWE, street lights, 370.20; Charla Rye, wage, 350.00; WSSW: BDM, water used, 956.40; Dept. of Revenue, water testing per BDM, 181.00; NWE, water and sewer, 188.21; Melinda Spencer, meter reading, 138.52; Rural Development, loan payment, 576.00; Andrew Murray came before the board having some questions about a property he recently purchased on main street. He would like to do some remodeling, remove a trailer and establish a cafe, bakery and bar in the future. Rick and Carla Pahl were given a corrected petition for acting the alley near their property to be delivered by Spencer with instructions that this must be presented to the board in person not through the mail. With no further business before the board a motion to adjourn was made by Spencer and seconded by Rasmussen. Motion carried.

C. Rye, Finance officer
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Former GHS Band Director Reid Johnson was the guest conductor at the Middle School Music Festival. (Courtesy Photo)



GHS Music Director Cody Swanson was the guest director at the Middle School Music Festival. (Courtesy Photo)

(9), receiving yards (97), and targets (13). Kyle Rudolph was getting involved as well, as he was second on the team with five catches on nine targets. Laquon Treadwell was actually second on the team with 51 receiving yards, and he also had the play of the game with a beautiful one-handed catch along the sidelines.

The Vikings defense was doing well against the Packers when Aaron Rodgers was still in the game, and they absolutely dominated once his backup (Brett Hundley) took over, limiting the Packers to only 227 total yards on the day. Three Viking defenders intercepted Brett Hundley - Harrison Smith, Trae Waynes, and Xavier Rhodes. The Vikings also sacked Hundley four times, broke up seven passes, and delivered 13 quarterback hits. All-in-all, it was a great performance by the Vikings defense. The only negative on the day was an injury to Anthony Barr, who didn't play the second half because of a concussion.

The Vikings are 4-2 on the season and lead the NFC North. The team should also be getting some good news this week, as Teddy Bridgewater is now eligible to come off the PUP. It will take Teddy a couple weeks of practice to get back up to game-speed, but he doesn't appear to have had any setbacks in his attempt to come back from a devastating knee injury that occurred last summer. The Vikings bye-week is week 9, and I would imagine we see Teddy under center week 10.

Looking ahead, the Vikings remain at home and welcome the Baltimore Ravens to town on Sunday, October 22. The game will start at noon Central Time. The Ravens are 3-3 this season, and are coming off an overtime loss to the Chicago Bears. The Vikings should be able to run the ball at will against the Ravens, as they have one of the worst run defenses in the league (they just allowed 231 rushing yards to the Bears). The Vikings will enter this game as heavy favorites, and they should have no problems beating Baltimore. Skol!

Have any questions or comments? Reach out to me on Facebook ([facebook.com/SkolJWright](https://www.facebook.com/SkolJWright)) or on Twitter (@SkolJWright)



Weekly Vikings Roundup

By Jordan Wright

The Minnesota Vikings are now in first place in the NFC North after defeating the Green Bay Packers 23-10. The Vikings played a good game, but the Packers were without their starting quarterback Aaron Rodgers for much of the game, as he reportedly broke his collarbone in the first quarter. Fans of the Green Bay Packers will say this win doesn't count, but the Vikings entered the game without their top two quarterbacks (Sam Bradford, Teddy Bridgewater), starting running back (Dalvin Cook), and number one wide receiver (Stefon Diggs) - so there are no excuses.

With Sam Bradford

still nursing a knee injury, Case Keenum got the start once again. He completed 24 of 38 passes for 239 yards, one touchdown and one interception. Keenum also showed off his mobility on a 16-yard scramble to give the Vikings a first down on 2nd and 7. Jerick McKinnon was the player of the game for Minnesota. McKinnon ran the ball 16 times for 69 yards (4.3 yards per carry) and caught five passes for 30 yards. He did fumble once, but he scored two touchdowns to even it out. The Vikings continue to split carries between McKinnon and Latavius Murray, but once again Murray was unable to get anything going on the ground (15 carries for 28 yards, 1.9 ypc).

With Stefon Diggs not suiting up because of a groin injury, Adam Thielen was clearly the go-to guy and he led the Vikings in receptions

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REVISED SALE/AUCTION FORMAT: Preliminary written bids will be accepted by Rick A. Ribstein, Attorney for Sellers, until 5:00 o'clock p.m. on Friday, October 20, 2017. Prospective purchasers will be notified by mail that they are invited to a private auction to be held in Amherst, South Dakota, on Friday, November 3, 2017. Sellers reserve the right to reject any or all bids.

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State of S.D. Estate of Donald Bartz

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COUNTY OF BROWN
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FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN THE MATTER OF THE
ESTATE OF DONALD BARTZ,
DECEASED
06PRO.017-000077
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Notice is given that on the
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Dated this 31st day of August, 2017.

/s/ Barbara Vermeersch

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MONTHLY DISTRICT FINANCIAL REPORT FOR GROTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT 06-6

	General	Restricted	Capital	Special	Pension	Bond	Capital	Enterprise	Agency	Total for
	Fund	Gen Funds	Outlay	Education	Fund	Redemption	Projects	Fund	Fund	District
1. Beginning Balance	1,395,388.49	32,052.21	803,013.75	75,276.92	0.00	156,237.89	5,966,248.07	62,473.07	232,120.01	8,722,810.41
a. cash	1,395,388.49	32,052.21	803,013.75	75,276.92	0.00	156,237.89	5,966,248.07	62,473.07	232,120.01	2,951,571.46
b. petty cash	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2. Transfers in				85,000.00						
3. Revenue to date	676,142.34	0.00	6,036.57	9,736.88	33.88	1,066.24	0.00	65,703.71	177,973.53	936,693.15
4. Total accounted for	2,071,530.83	32,052.21	809,050.32	170,013.80	33.88	157,304.13	5,966,248.07	128,176.78	410,093.54	9,744,503.56
5. Transfers out	85,000.00									
6. Expenditures to date	867,861.83	0.00	277,778.39	113,940.40	0.00	0.00	3,432,135.65	54,663.52	250,403.30	4,996,783.09
a. encumbrances	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
b. disbursements	867,861.83	0.00	277,778.39	113,940.40	0.00	0.00	3,432,135.65	54,663.52	250,403.30	4,996,783.09
7. Ending Balance	1,118,669.00	32,052.21	531,271.93	56,073.40	33.88	157,304.13	2,534,112.42	73,513.26	159,890.24	4,662,920.47
a. checking	1,118,669.00	32,052.21	531,271.93	56,073.40	33.88	157,304.13	2,534,112.42	73,513.26	159,890.24	4,662,920.47
b. petty cash	(0.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	200.00
September Receipts	46,216.03	0.00	2,148.40	2,315.98	0.00	473.32	0.00	43,429.18	66,427.40	161,010.31
September Expenses	452,574.64	0.00	89,652.06	95,408.59	0.00	0.00	909,199.05	22,080.93	64,279.77	1,633,195.04
Agency Checking	159,690.24									
District Checking	4,503,030.23									
Certificate of Deposit	0.00									
Agency Cash on Hand	200.00									
Total all Funds	4,662,920.47									

**Groton School
Oct. 9, 2017
Meeting Minutes**

UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
OF BOARD OF EDUCATION
GROTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 06-6
REGULAR MEETING
October 9, 2017

Vice-President Kjelden called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Conference Room. Members present: Fjelstad, Gengerke, Harder, Rix, Kjelden and Weismantel. Absent: Smith. Others present: Supt. J. Schwan, Principals B. Schwan and Sombke and Business Official Weber.

Moved by Weismantel, second Fjelstad to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

There were no potential conflicts of interest reported.

Moved by Harder, second Rix to approve the following consent agenda items as presented: District minutes from September 11 and 25, North Central Special Ed Coop School of Record agenda items and District bills. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND: Net Salary - 180,447.47; FIT - 21,834.87; Medicare - 6,955.68; FICA - 29,741.62; American Funds - 771.70; Washington National - 98.40; SD Retirement - 30,657.28; Waddell & Reed - 1,912.02; Horace Mann - 1,026.61; Thrivent - 228.90; AFLAC - 3,035.57; Delta Dental - 4,501.86; SD Supplemental Retirement - 976.19; Wellmark - 64,046.00; Reliastar - 498.18; A&B Business - supplies, 90.53; Aberdeen Awards - awards, 175.00; ACDA - membership, 125.00; Agency Fund - advance payments, 22,488.97; ASBSD Worker's Comp Fund - audited premium, 1,189.00; City of Groton - utilities, 8,872.57; Cole Papers - supplies, 3,099.09; Demco - supplies, 131.82; Dependable Sanitation - services, 1,287.50; Dollar General - supplies, 73.50; Farnams - tools, 54.51; G&K Services - rug service, 47.98; S. Garduno - alterations, 315.00; Geffdog Designs - shirts, 121.41; GASD Food Service - supplies, 20.12; Groton Ford - repairs, 591.24; Hauff Mid-America - gb supplies, 1,133.92; Hillyard - supplies, 1,079.92; House of Glass - keys, 42.25; Innovations Associates - magazines, 149.00; JW Pepper - music, 1,211.46; M. Locke - reimburse fees, 43.25; Matheson Tri-Gas - supplies, 135.40; National Assn for Music Ed - membership, 117.00; NCS Pearson - training, 4,300.00; Northside Implement - repairs, 1,959.77; Northwestern Energy - utilities, 241.36; Olde Bank Floral-N-More - hc supplies, 129.00; Riddell - fb bags, 564.08; Scholastic Inc - magazines, 136.13; School Specialties - supplies, 439.31; K. Sombke - hc supplies, 347.82; Taylor Music - repairs/supplies, 126.97; TC Ventures - bb warm-ups - 1,184.00; Walmart Community - supplies, 553.92; M. Weismantel - hc supplies, 67.72; West Coast Publishing - resources, 242.00. Total General Fund - \$399,619.87.

CAPITAL OUTLAY: A&B Business - shredder, 374.95; Aberdeen American News - subscription, 143.74; Acme Tools - tools, 380.01; Adco Hearing Products - instruments, 44.90; Agency Fund - adv pmts, 19,338.53; B.E. Publishing - online software, 249.75; Bandmans Company - equipment, 1,067.80; BrainPop - online software, 2,395.00;

Cole Papers - vacuums, 843.92; Demco - applicator, 97.94; Follett School Solutions - textbks, 288.36; Golden West Technologies - carts, 2,323.00; Hauff Mid-America Sports - equipment, 1,490.30; Hillyard - scrubbers, 9,208.68; Hodge Products - padlocks, 142.66; MakeMusic - software upgrades, 350.00; Marco - printer services, 2,376.79; NCS Pearson - online software - 1,206.00; Quality Welding - steel panel, 101.20; School Specialty - mail center, 310.46; Social Studies School Service - resources, 60.41; Subscription Services of America - lib magazines, 313.76; Taylor Music - drums, 1,376.00; Thermal Products - ceramic board, 473.00; VS Athletics - flags/cones, 126.90; Walmart Community - cameras, 384.72. Total Capital Outlay - \$45,468.78.

SPECIAL ED: Net Salary - 24,275.56; FIT - 2,639.85; Medicare - 934.78; FICA - 3,997.14; SD Retirement - 4,539.66; Waddell & Reed - 250.00; AFLAC - 730.91; Delta Dental - 983.10; SD Supplemental Retirement - 50.00; Wellmark - 14,676.00; GASD Insurance Deferral - 328.09; Reliastar - 229.77; Agency Fund - adv pmts, 3,874.26; Avera St. Luke's - services, 1,372.00; M. Erickson - supplies, 13.20; Patron - parent mileage, 670.32. Total Special Ed - \$59,564.64.

CAPITAL PROJECTS: Agency Fund - adv pmts, 510.49; Architectural Roofing & Sheetmetal - elem remodel services, 9,392.55; Balancing Professionals - elem remodel services, 2,968.75; Custom Sheet Metal - elem remodel services, 55,100.00; Digi Security Systems - elem remodel project, 4,089.60; J. Donley - supplies, 43.92; Double Duty Portable Storage - container rentals, 2,379.30; Foster, Jacobs & Johnson - elem remodel design services, 31,272.45; Grazzini Brothers - elem remodel services, 20,140.00; House of Glass - elem remodel services, 35,262.10; JDH Construction - elem remodel services, 98,830.91; Lien Transportation - elem remodel services, 11,378.15; Muth Electric - elem remodel services, 66,629.20; PrairieSons - elem remodel services, 3,322.25; Redlinger Bros. - elem remodel services, 54,349.50; Sewer Duck - toilet rental, 1,017.08. Total Capital Projects - \$396,686.25.

ENTERPRISE: Food Service Net Salary - 3,999.14; FIT - 378.26; Medicare - 145.36; FICA - 621.66; SD Retirement - 504.38; AFLAC - 151.45; Wellmark - 1,526.00; Reliastar - 1.30; Ace Refrigeration - repairs, 344.76; Agency Fund - adv pmts, 41.05; Bernard Food Industries, 2,019.60; CWD - food/suppl, 2,928.48; Dean Foods - dairy product, 1,048.39; Earthgrains - bakery product, 423.49; G&K Services - linen service, 636.86; Reinhart - food/suppl, 4,891.05; B. Sombke - food, 32.00; US Foods - food/suppl, 3,227.07. Total Food Service - \$2,920.30.

OST Net Salary - 3,996.59; FIT - 228.75; Medicare - 137.14; FICA - 586.28; SD Retirement - 281.76; AFLAC - 163.93; Wellmark - 671.00; Reliastar - .65; Agency Fund - adv pmts, 607.76; Bramble Park Zoo - services, 385.00; Dollar General - supplies, 55.50; Geffdog - shirts, 3,115.20.

Total OST - \$10,229.56. Total Enterprise Funds - \$33,149.86. AGENCY FUND: Total - \$64,279.77.

RECEIPTS: Local Sources, Taxes - 10,609.23; Other Local Sources - 140,549.46; County Sources - 3,124.62; State Sources - 6,702.00; Other Sources - 25.00. Total Receipts - \$161,010.31.

Members of the public were allowed five minutes to address the board on any topic of their choice. With no public members present to speak, the board proceeded with their remaining agenda items.

Weber presented the September Financial Report, Agency Accounts and Investments. Moved by Fjelstad, second Gengerke to approve as presented. Motion carried.

Superintendent Schwan presented the September Transportation Report. Moved by Harder, second Weismantel to approve as presented. Motion carried.

Superintendent Schwan presented the September Lunch Report. Moved by Rix, second Fjelstad to approve as presented. Motion carried.

The board heard program presentations from K-12 Music teachers Austin Fordham, Cody Swanson and Desiree Yeigh, from Art Education teacher Janene Harry and Health and Physical Education teachers Lynette Grieve and Brian Schuring. There were no board committee reports given.

Superintendent J. Schwan updated the progress on the elementary project. Punch list items remain on the renovation portion of the elementary building. The fire system is installed and rooftop units for the kitchen and new construction are scheduled for start up on October 12. Work trailers and temporary fences will be removed in two weeks.

Moved by Weismantel, second Gengerke to acknowledge second reading and adoption of recommended policy amendments to KBA-E Application for Access to Public Records; BDDH Public Participation at Board Meetings; GCDB Criminal Background Checks; GCDB-E Criminal Background Checks Privacy Rights (New); GBCA Staff Conflict of Interest (Delete); BBFA Board Member Conflict of Interest (Delete); AH Conflict of Interest Disclosure and Authorization (New); EFC Meal Charge Policy (New). Motion carried.

The following topics were discussed in administrative reports: school auction on October 21, Better Questions, Better Data, Better Results workshop, official fall enrollment count was 569, staff health clinics on October 24 and 25, Title I school-wide waiver, Marching Band Festival, Elementary Book Fair, Columbus Day Project in 1st grade and FBLA blood drive.

Superintendent Schwan presented District and School Report Card Scores from the state. The ACT 2016-17 composite score was 21.9. Scores are printed on the school website www.grotonarea.com.

Moved by Rix, second Weismantel to authorize a short-term loan of \$85,000 from General Fund to Special Education retroactive to September 30, 2017. The interest thereon shall be at the rate of 0% per annum on the unpaid balance. The entire principal amount shall be fully and immediately repayable upon receipt of Special Education local taxes, but not later than December 1, 2017.

Moved by Harder, second Gengerke to approve request from School District Attorney, Rodney Freeman, for contribution of \$135 toward his atten-

dance at the national Education Law Association 2017 Annual Meeting. Motion carried.

Kjelden appointed Weismantel as ASBSD Delegate Assembly member.

The board acknowledged receipt of Application for Public School Exemption #18-10.

Discussion was held concerning the pending vacant school board position of Kelly Kjelden and the process of filling the remainder of his term through June 2018. Mr. Kjelden is moving out of the school district. Moved by Gengerke, second Rix to advertise the vacancy and schedule interviews. Motion carried.

Moved by Weismantel, second Fjelstad to adjourn at 9:52 pm. Motion carried.

M. J. Weber, Business Manager

Steven R. Smith, President
The addition of signatures to this page verifies these minutes as official.

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**Brown County
Oct. 10, 2017
Meeting Minutes**

OCTOBER 10, 2017 - GENERAL MEETING

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

MINUTES: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Sutton to approve the General Meeting Minutes of October 3, 2017. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

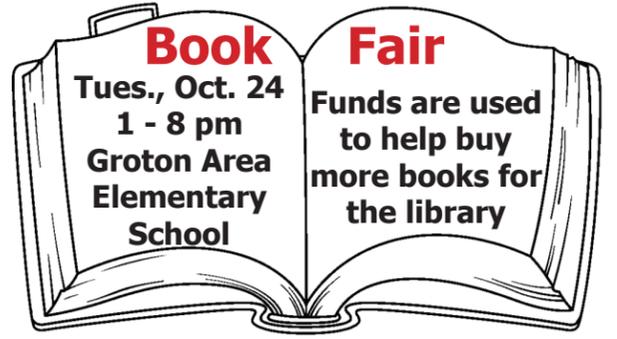
CLAIMS: Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Hansen to approve the following claims:

Professional Fees: AMG-UPA \$3,500.00; Bantz, Gosch & Cremer \$1,389.93; Richard Berreth \$50.00; Betty Breck \$50.00; Dacotah Territory Muzzle Loaders \$50.00; Digi Security Systems \$165.00; John Graves \$50.00; Haar Law Office \$764.22; Helms & Assoc. \$1,100.00; House of Glass \$851.54; LBG \$2,345.50; LexisNexis \$54.50; Michael Marmorstein \$50.00; Muel Electric \$956.96; Richardson, Wylie, Wise & Sauck \$1,917.30; Ronayne Law Office \$9,742.32; Jason Schaunaman \$100.00; SD Dept. of Revenue & Regulation \$687,734.28; SD Electrical Commission \$305.00; Christy Griffin-Serr Law Office \$1,786.00; Stoddard Law Office \$1,116.72; Mitch Vilhauer \$1,215.00.

Publishing: Aberdeen American News \$2,593.26; Les Frohling \$200.00; Groton Independent \$308.77; H & H Farms \$250.00; Hub City Radio \$300.00; Ron Jacobson \$250.00.

Repairs & Maintenance: Advance Stores \$8.50; Clark Engineering \$4,621.36; Crawford Trucks & Equip. \$21.54; Dakota Electronics \$442.20; DFP \$32.00; DSG \$206.83; Diamond Mowers \$7.56; DMI \$3,500.00; Eilers Water Conditioning \$125.00; Graham Tire \$14.98; Hase Plumbing & Heating \$331.76; Hoven Auto Repair \$179.37; Interior Design Concepts \$45.00; Jones Lawn Care \$2,360.00; North Central Rental/Leasing \$6,000.00; NorthStar Safety \$12.23; Pauer Sound \$1,700.00; Pierson-Ford \$161.59; PowerPlan \$626.50; SD Dept. of Public Safety \$103.00; Sheehan Mack Sales \$6,265.00.

Supplies: A&B Business \$224.95; Advance Stores \$619.53; Ameripride \$148.68; Mary Baird \$42.95; Bakken Build Maint. \$500.00; Bonnie Bitz \$168.00; Butler Machinery



\$163.51; Cash-Wa \$7,084.80; Center Printing Co. \$275.02; Crawford Trucks & Equip. \$2,256.22; Dakota Electronics \$96.40; DFP \$1,062.15; Dakota Oil \$3,577.46; DSG \$291.43; Dean Foods \$701.77; Diamond Mowers \$292.24; DPM Mercantile \$2.99; Earthgrains \$801.81; Farm Power Mfg. \$3,322.12; Farnam's \$301.17; Fastenal \$202.48; Geffdog \$135.00; Gov-Connection \$1,488.45; Heartland Paper \$195.84; Hedahl's Auto Value \$23.96; House of Glass \$3,370.56; J. Gross Equip. \$3,459.00; Ken's SuperFair Foods \$598.39; Patricia Kendall \$329.94; Lien Transportation \$1,430.00; Marco \$62.18; Menards \$14.89; Midstates Printing \$1,038.06; Mark Milbrant \$22.28; Muth Electric \$427.01; NADA Appraisal Guides \$294.00; NCFE - Warner \$4,432.50; NorthStar Safety \$77.90; Pan-torium Cleaners \$56.00; Pauer Sound \$600.00; PowerPlan \$2,182.58; Productivity Plus \$400.00; Running's \$574.05; Satellite Tracking of People \$224.25; Lora Schaunaman \$12.20; Sewer Duck \$150.00; Sewing Shoppe \$27.00; Share Corp. \$310.00; Sheehan Mack Sales \$657.77; Sherwin Williams \$107.97; Sound Decisions \$179.98; Stop Stick \$724.00; UltraMax \$2,725.00; Zastrow's Sales & Service \$78.88.

Travel & Conference: C. Scott Bader \$458.95; Sarah Hartje \$24.91; Rachel Kippley \$731.45; Mark Milbrant \$567.00; Pennington County Jail \$111.00; Safety Benefits \$65.00; Lora Schaunaman \$703.12; Aaron Walberg \$45.55.

Utilities: Aberdeen City Treasurer \$1,938.67; AT&T \$167.01; BDM Rural Water \$42.50; CenturyLink \$49.00; Midcontinent \$515.61; NWPS \$433.68; Town of Frederick \$48.00.

Improvements Other Than Buildings: Northern Electric \$8,445.93. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

HR REPORT: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Hansen to approve the following Commission Assistant/HR Office Report, which includes the following personnel changes:

Authorize payment of \$150.00 to Nyle Jenson Landfill retiree, effective October 7, 2017; and approve re-hiring on a part-time basis, effective October 10, 2017 @ \$19.43 per hour.

Approve Chris Hemen return to States Attorney Office to complete scanning process.

Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-aye, Sutton-aye, Fischbach-absent, Fjeldheim-aye, Kippley-nay. Motion carried.

CLAIM ASSIGNMENTS: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Hansen to approve and authorize the Chair sign documentation to assign claims against individuals to Credit Collections Bureau for purpose of collecting liens. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

INTEREST STATEMENT: Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Sutton to accept for filing the July - September 2017 Interest Statement in amount of \$6,131.53, submitted by County Treasurer Sheila Anderson. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

SURPLUS PROPERTY: Moved

by Hansen, seconded by Fjeldheim to declare two (2) Auto-Marks (Serial #AM0105500274 and #AM0105500348) surplus property for purpose of donation to Edmunds County. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ORD 110 - SET HEARING DATE: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Fjeldheim to set public hearing for consideration of Brown County Ordinance #110, an Ordinance to amend Second Revision Brown County Ordinances, Title 16, Chapter 16.06, Section 16.06.04(6) - Contracts to Operate Certain Concessions During Fair Week, to be held in the Brown County Commission Chambers, Courthouse Annex at 8:50 a.m. on October 31, 2017. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

APPLICATION FOR OCCUPANCY: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve and authorize the Chairman sign application, submitted by Northern Electric for occupancy of Brown County Highway #21 in Sec 10-T122N-R63W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD, to provide electrical service. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

HIGHWAY FIVE-YEAR PLAN PUBLIC HEARING: Time and place, as advertised for public hearing on the Brown County Highway Five-Year Plan (2018 - 2022). Handouts were distributed and questions from those in attendance were answered. Moved by Hansen, seconded by Sutton to approve the Highway Five-Year Plan (2018-2022), as presented by Dirk Rogers, Brown County Highway Superintendent. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

SECURITY DISCUSSION: The Honorable Judge Tony Portra met to discuss the enhancement of court security with the presence of a certified law enforcement officer in all courtrooms when any court is in session. The Commission will discuss further during ongoing overall Courthouse security discussions.

TACOMA PARK RIVER BANK: Gary Neilsen and Charlie Coleman, Tacoma Park residents distributed photos of the James River bank south of the new bridge, explaining the erosion pattern has shifted to the west bank since the completion of the bridge, which is affecting the residential lots at Tacoma Park. The Commission thanked the gentlemen for the information, with no action taken.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Fjeldheim to go into executive session for personnel discussion, per SDCL 1-25-2(1) with Chris White, Larry Lovrien and Gary Vetter in attendance. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. The Chair declared the executive session closed, with no action taken as a result of the discussion.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Hansen to adjourn the Brown County Commission at 10:45 a.m. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor

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Groton Area beats Redfield-Doland, advances to first round playoffs

Groton Area scored 39 points in the first half and went on to beat Redfield-Doland in football action Friday night Redfield, 39-6. The win gives Groton a home field advantage as the Tigers will be hosting Bennett County on Thursday night in the first round playoffs. The game will start at 6:30 p.m.

Seric Shabazz and Brandon Keith each had two touchdowns while Lucas Hinman and Jonathan Doeden each had one with Marshall Lane throwing for five of the six touchdowns. The Tigers had 198 yards rushing with Lucas Hinman having 105 yards, 163 yards passing with Brandon Keith having 70 yards in catches and Seric Shabazz 64 yards, and 16 first downs.

Redfield-Doland had 68 yards rushing with Cooper Baloun having 65 of those yards and 30 yards passing with Max Baloun having 22 yards in catches, and



Kaden Carda (51), Grady O'Neill (54) and Kale Pharis (68) hold back the Redfield-Doland linemen. (Photo by Julianna Kosel)



Seric Shabazz gets a nice run for the Tigers. (Photo by Julianna Kosel)



Alex Morris (59) and Jonathan Doeden (6) hold back the Redfield-Doland linemen to give Marshall Lane time to throw the ball. (Photo by Julianna Kosel)

pass from Marshall Lane. PAT kick by Hunter Schaller was good.

2:21: Groton: Jonathan Doeden 20 yard pass from Marshall Lane. PAT kick by Hunter Schaller was good.

Fourth Quarter

6:23: Redfield-Doland: Cooper Baloun 19 yard run. PAT kick was no good.

Chandler Larson (21) hands the ball off to Jamesen Stange (9). (Photo by Julianna Kosel)

seven first downs.

The Tigers lost one fumble and that was on the last drive of the game and had six penalties for 70 yards. Redfield-Doland had no fumbles and had three penalties for 25 yards.

First Downs: Groton 16, Redfield-Doland 7.

Rushing: Groton 24-198 (Lucas Hinman 17-105 1 TD, Marshall Lane 3-29, Seric Shabazz 1-33, Darrion Shabazz 4-25, Jamesen Stange 1-6). Redfield-Doland 27-68 (Cooper Baloun 17-65)

Passing: Groton: Marshall Lane 8-14-163 yards, 5 touchdowns. Redfield-Doland: Leyton Rohlf 6-17-30.

Receivers: Groton: Brandon Keith 4-70, 2 TDs; Seric Shabazz 2-64, 2 TDs; Jonathan Doeden 1-20, 1 TD; Lucas Hinman 1-9. Redfield-Doland: Max Baloun 3-22.

Fumbles: Groton had 1, lost 1. Redfield-Doland had none.

Penalties: Groton 6-70, Redfield-Doland 3-25.

Defense: Groton: Brandon Keith 10 tackles, Luke Thorson 6 tackles, Brandyn Anderson 6 tackles and 1 sack each were Peyton Johnson, Darion Shabazz and Seric Shabazz. Redfield-Doland: Gannon Pudwill 10 tackles, Cooper Baloun 9 tackles.

Record: Groton 5-3. Redfield-Doland 0-8.

Next Game: Groton Area hosts Bennett County in first round of football playoffs on Thursday.

Scoring:

First Quarter

5:55: Groton: Seric Shabazz 20 yard pass from Marshall Lane. PAT Kick by Hunter Schaller is good.

1:13: Groton: Lucas Hinman 1 yard run. PAT pass attempt failed.

Second Quarter

8:43: Groton: Brandon Keith 22 yard pass from Marshall Lane. PAT pass attempt failed.

6:16: Groton: Brandon Keith 8 yard pass from Marshall Lane. PAT pass attempt failed.

4:03: Groton: Seric Shabazz 44 yard



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Lots Seven (7), Eight (8) and Nine (9), Block Twenty-two (22), Original Plat, Roslyn, Day County, South Dakota;
A/k/a 716 1st Street, Roslyn, South Dakota; st Consisting of lots and 4-plex apartment house, currently unoccupied and has been for five (5) years. Property is to be sold "AS IS". Apartment units have electric baseboard heat and electric hot water heaters. Apartment units also include electric ranges, refrigerators, and washers/dryers.

No warranties are being offered on the appliances ("AS IS").

Interested parties should submit sealed bids to Law Office of Danny R. Smeins, P.C., 506 Main Street, Webster, SD 57274, or hand delivered to the same address prior to 5:00 p.m. on the 14th day of November, 2017. Bids will be opened after the bid deadline, and Seller will identify the bidders that will be invited to raise their bid on the 17 day of November, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. at the Law Office of Danny R. Smeins, P.C. in Webster, South Dakota. Not all bidders will be invited to raise their bid.

Successful bidder will be required to execute a standard Purchase Agreement and make an earnest money deposit.

SELLER RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS.

Direct all inquiries, questions or requests for real estate information to Danny R. Smeins, Attorney at Law, at (605) 345-4875 or (605) 448-5964 or Ray Lardy, Roslyn Homes, Inc., at (605) 228-1597 or Richard Galbraith at (605) 229-0180.

The Life of Gilbert Hinkelman

Gilbert Hinkelman 78 of Groton passed away surrounded by his immediate family on Sunday October 15, 2017 at his home near Groton.

Funeral services will be at 11:00 A.M. Thursday, October 19, 2017 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Groton, Rev. Craig Grams officiating. Burial will be at Sunset Memorial Gardens in Aberdeen.

Gilbert Herbert Hinkelman was born on June 30, 1939 at Webster, South Dakota. He was baptized and confirmed at St. John's Lutheran Church in Groton, South Dakota. He attended school in Groton and graduated from Groton High School in 1958. After graduation he remained at home helping on the family farm. In 1962, he moved to Beecher, Illinois where he worked at Allis Chalmers Equipment, on the assembly line building engines. In 1963, he was drafted in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was stationed in Germany where he faithfully served. He was honorably discharged in 1965. After discharge, he continued to live in Beecher where he met the love of his life, Rochelle.

On October 29, 1966, he was united in marriage to Rochelle Bakhaus at Zion Lutheran Church in Beecher. To this union two sons were born, Delbert and Elvis. In January of 1969, the couple moved to Groton where Gilbert took over the Hinkelman farming operation. He continued to help out on the farm until present time as his health would allow him.

Gilbert had a great love for his country and was a lifelong member of the American Legion Post #39. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Groton where he was an elder and served as an usher. He was also a member of the James Valley 2 Cylinder Club. Gilbert had a great passion for music.



He was a talented musician playing the accordion, harmonica, concertina, the keyboard and polka dancing. He enjoyed visiting over a cup of coffee with his many friends. Above all else, he cherished time spent with his family. His only grandson, Preston was the apple of his eye! He would often be seen with his sidekick, Preston!

Gilbert passed away on Sunday, October 15, 2017 surrounded by his immediate family at his home near Groton, South Dakota at the age of 78 years, 3 months and 15 days.

He will be forever loved and greatly missed by his wife Rochelle, one son Delbert (Anje) Hinkelman and one grandson Preston Dean Hinkelman all of Groton, SD, and one sister Matilda (Dave) Hemme of Seattle, WA. He was preceded in death by his parents and one son Elvis Hinkelman.

Council forgives penalties

The Groton City Council voted Monday evening to forgive the penalties for those who did not pay their September bill by October 10th. However, both the September and October bills will need to be paid by October 25th or penalties will be applied to both bills.

The baseball report was given and the 2017 net loss was \$49,438.91 which includes \$25,000 in new fencing and \$7,000 in light repairs. The loss last year was \$21,514.17, in 2015 was \$22,824.83 and in 2014 was \$26,242.49.

The pool report was also given with the pool losing \$66,357.46 this year compared to \$57,207.83 in 2016, \$63,639.07 in 2015 and \$45,658.31 in 2014.

The council went into executive session with Lee Buechler and family in attendance.

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