



Dugout work continues at Falk and Nelson fields

The old wooden dugouts for Falk Field and Nelson Field at the Groton Baseball Complex are being replaced with new concrete block dugouts. The Groton Baseball/Softball Foundation has been aggressively updating the complex over the past few years. The latest is the new dugouts. According to Matt Locke of the Groton Baseball/Softball Foundation, money has come in from many sources to help make this a reality. Steve Giedt, also of the Groton Baseball/Softball Foundation, said that the estimated cost of each dugout is \$8,000. With the two fields, that adds up to \$32,000. Locke said that the Falk Family has donated \$8,000 towards the project. In addition, there is the \$10,000 Fields for Kids Ball Field Renovation Grant with the City of Groton matching it with \$10,000. The fundraisers sponsored by the Groton Baseball/Softball Foundation will also help with the cost of the project.

(Photo by Paul Kosel)



The senior band members were recognized at the high school spring concert. Pictured left to right are Jenifer Fjelstad, Aleaya Worlie, directors Desiree Yeigh and Austin Fordham, Hattie Weismantel and Emma Donley. (Photo from Facebook Page)



The outstanding senior vocalist was Jenifer Fjelstad. See Page 5 for more photos. (Photo lifted from GDILIVE.COM)



All three Groton golfers were medalists at the Northeast Conference golf meet held at Redfield. Pictured left to right are Portia Kettering, Ashley Flihs, Coach Joel Guthmiller and Peyton Colestock. (Courtesy photo)

Colestock places at Sisseton Golf Meet

Peyton Colestock placed ninth at the Sisseton Girls Golf Invitational held Friday. She shot a 54 in the front nine and a 48 in the back nine for a total score of 102. Also playing was Portia Kettering with a 59 in both sets and a final score of 118.

We will be working on our Senior Spotlight and Awards Section so watch for that in an upcoming issue.

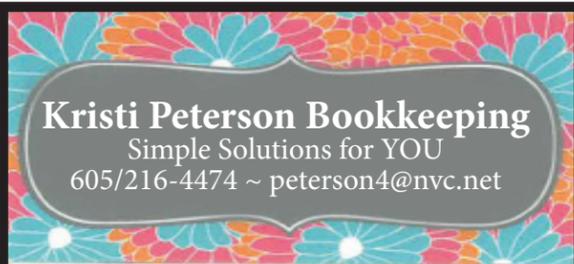


The 125th Commencement Service was held Sunday, May 20, at the GHS Arena. School Board Vice President, Marty Weismantel, handed out the diplomas this year, including one for his daughter, Hattie Weismantel. (Photo lifted from GDILIVE.COM)

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Groton Garden Club
 The Groton Garden Club met at the home of Deb McKiver with Bev Sombke assisting. President Deb Sombke opened the meeting by leading the pledges. Nine members answered roll call with what they will do for Memorial Day.
 Bev Sombke reported on the state convention in Mobridge April 27-28. Programs included Craig Docktor telling about starting a winery. The afternoon program was on essential oils.
 The Blue Star Marker that has been missing from Selby was found and rededicated to the park in Mobridge.
 The group will meet May 31, 1 p.m., in the City Park to plant the Arbor Day Tree a month late because of the cold spring. Later the group will plant perennials donated by members and annuals purchased for the circle project.
 New business included a July 14 date at Pizza Ranch at 11:30 a.m. for the Northern District SDFGC meeting with the theme "Bloom Where You Are Planted."
 The next meeting will be June 18, at the Methodist Church with Laurie Mitchell and Pam Rix hosting and Laurie will give the program.

Watertown LATI graduation
 Four local students graduated at the 51st Annual Lake Area Technical Institute graduation ceremony held Friday, May 11, in Watertown. Eight hundred eight students received their diplomas including Lane M. Weig, Groton, with a major in agriculture, Alexia A. Musch, Aberdeen, and Aaron A. Severson, Groton, with a degree in business associate, and Brady A. Graf, Groton, with a degree in energy operations.

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Quaking Aspens planted in memory

Three trees were planted on the west side of the Groton Community Center in memory of loved ones. Far left are Bryce Raap, Denise and Torre Raap. In the middle are Lee Schinkel, LaVonne Helmer, Sarge Likness, Jan Raap, David Kleinsassor, Ella Johnson, Vickie Sippel, Elda Stange, Pat Larson, Ivan Morehouse, Beulah Hoops, Richard and Ruby Donovan. Far right is Tony Goldade. (Photo by Tina Kosel)



Senior Citizens donate trees

The Groton Area Senior Citizens have donated three Quaking Aspen Trees to the community. The three trees were planted Tuesday in the boulevard west of the Groton Community Center. Top left photo features Dick Donovan putting the wrap on one of the trees. Top center photo features Dan Sunne pounding in a post for support. The trees were planted with the assistance of the city as the digger truck was used to dig the holes.

Groton Senior Citizens

Groton Seniors met April 9, present were fifteen members. President Ruby Donovan opened with allegiance to the flag. Minutes and treasurers report were read and accepted. President welcomed Wally and Darlene Fischer back being absent for several weeks a get well card was signed by all for David Kliensassor. He had knee surgery. Meeting was adjourned and cards played the winners of each game. Pinochle- Alan Zoellner, Whist- Tony Goldade, Canasta- Mary Walker and Marilyn Thorson, Bridge- Lavonne Helmer, Door prizes- Pat Larson, Tony Goldade and Marilyn Thorson. Lunch was served by Mary Walker and Tony Goldade.

The group met April 16 with 16 members attending. Vice president Eunice McColister led the flag pledge. Cards were played. The winners of the games. Pinochle-Ivan Morehouse, Canasta- Pat Larson and Mary Walker, Whist- Wally Fischer and Bob Pray. Door prizes- Jan Raap, Darlene Fischer and Pat Larson. Wally and Darlene Fischer served cake and Ice cream. April 23 had a pot luck dinner eleven members attended. bingo was played. Beulah Hoops and Ella Johnson won black out. Door prizes went to Lee Schinkel, Wally Fischer and Ella Johnson.



Tony Goldade standing by the tree donated in memory of Marian Raines. (Photo by Tina Kosel)



Denise and Torre Raap, Bryce Raap and Jan Raap standing by the tree donated in memory of Burt Raap. (Photo by Tina Kosel)



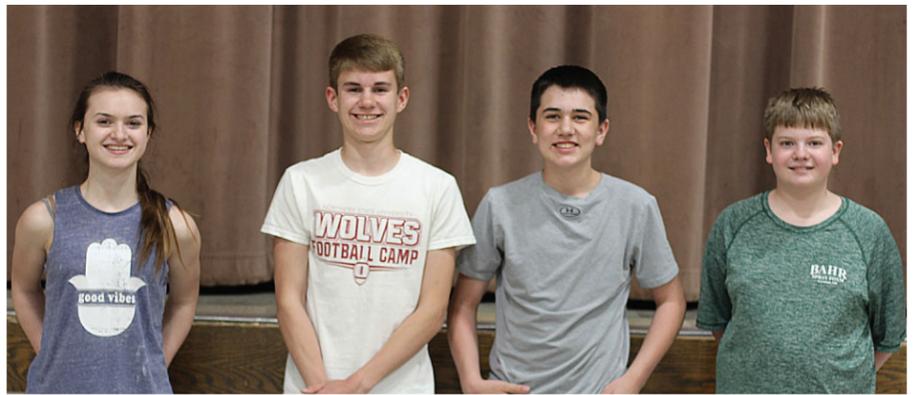
Vickie Sippel standing by the tree given in memory of Lorraine Sippel. (Photo by Tina Kosel)



6th graders that received a superior rating on their solo at contest

Back row: Kyleigh Englund (Tenor Sax), Emily Clark (Snare Drum and Mallets), Ashlyn Sperry (Clarinet), Lydia Meier (Trumpet), Cadence Feist (Alto Sax), Lane Tietz (Snare Drum and Mallets)

Front row: Jackson Garstecki (Trombone), Abby Jensen (Flute), Anna Bisbee (Flute), Faith Flihs (Snare Drum and Mallets), Shea Jandel (Clarinet). (Courtesy Photo)



JH Students received a superior plus rating on their solo

Sierra Ehresmann (Trumpet), Jacob Lewandowski (Snare Drum), Cole Bisbee (Baritone), Jack Dinger (French Horn)
(Courtesy Photo)



JH Band received two superiors and a superior plus at contest
Back Row: Trista Keith, Landon Kokales, Ethan Pigors, Michael Aalseth, Ethan Clark, Jacob Lewandowski, Brooke Gengerke, Cole Bisbee, Jackson Cogley
3rd Row: Danny Feist, Kaleb Antonsen, Caleb Hanten, Cole Simon, Travis Townsend, Andrew Marzahn

2nd Row: Kennedy Anderson, Hannah Gustafson, Ava Kramer, Tina Zoellner, Kansas Kroll, Cassandra Schultz, Kamryn Flihs, Cadance Tullis, Rease Jandel, Megan Flihs, Stella Meier, Julianna Kosel

Front: Carter Barse, Nicole Figueroa, Ellie Weismantel, Sierra Ehresmann, Shaylee Peterson, Jack Dinger. (Courtesy Photo)

Middle/ Junior High Music Contest

The middle school music contest was held recently at Webster with several Groton Area students earning awards. Desiree Yeigh is the junior high director and the middle school lesson instructors are Desiree Yeigh and Austin Fordham. Yeigh wanted to give a special thanks for the piano accompanists AnneMarie Smith, Emily Thompson and Mr. Cody Swanson. We would also like to give a special thanks to Desiree Yeigh for being an accompanist.



JH Students received a superior rating on their solo
Back Row: Megan Flihs (Snare Drum and Mallets), Stella Meier (Alto Sax), Ellie Weismantel (Snare Drum and Mallets), Hannah Gustafson (Trombone), Cassandra Schultz (Trumpet), Tina Zoellner (Alto Sax), Ethan Clark (Baritone), Cole Bisbee (Baritone), Jacob Lewandowski (Snare Drum)

2nd Row: Julianna Kosel (Flute), Trista Keith (Mallets), Rease Jandel (Bass Clarinet), Cadance Tullis (Snare Drum and Mallets), Sierra Ehresmann (Trumpet), Kennedy Anderson (Clarinet), Jack Dinger (French Horn), Ethan Pigors (Trumpet)

1st Row: Kamryn Flihs (Tenor Sax), Jackson Cogley (Snare Drum), Landon Kokales (Trumpet), Caleb Hanten (Trombone), Andrew Marzahn (Trombone), Travis Townsend (Trumpet), Carter Barse (Alto Sax) (Courtesy Photo)



JH Students received an excellent rating on their solo
Kansas Kroll (Trombone- Excellent Plus), Shaylee Peterson (Clarinet- Excellent Plus), Ava Kramer (Trumpet), Trista Keith (Snare Drum- Excellent Plus), Brooke Gengerke (Snare Drum- Excellent Plus), Jacob Lewandowski (Mallets-Excellent Plus), Cole Simon (Alto Sax- Excellent Plus), Kaleb Antonsen (Alto Sax), Danny Feist (Tuba- Excellent Plus), Michael Aalseth (Trombone- Excellent Plus) (Courtesy Photo)



6th graders that received an excellent rating on their solo at contest

Students in the back row all received an excellent plus rating: Sydney Leicht (Tenor Sax), Hannah Monson (Snare Drum and Mallets), Ryan Groeblichhoff (Trumpet).

Back row: Bryson Wambach (Alto Sax), Michael Powers-Dinger (Alto Sax). (Courtesy Photo)

High School Spring Concert



The high school spring concert was held recently at the Groton Area High School Gym. The high school band, under the direction of Austin Fordham, performed, "Free World March" and "Earthdance." Soloists were Kylie Kassube on clarinet and Grace Wambach on alto saxophone. (Photo lifted from GDILIVE.COM)



The boys choir sang, "Kiss the Girl."

(Photo lifted from GDILIVE.COM)



The high school choir, under the direction of Cody Swanson, sang, "Sing Alleluia," "For the Beauty of the Earth," and "How Can I Keep From Singing." Soloists were Alexis Hanten, Desiree Blevins and Tylan Glover." (Photo lifted from GDILIVE.COM)



The senior choir members were recognized. They are Aleaya Worlie, Jasmine Schinkel, Hannah Lewandowski, Madilyn Wright, Marshall Lane, Jenifer Fjelstad, Hattie Weismantel and Jackson Oliver.

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The Chamber Choir sang, "Bill Bailey, Won't You Come Home?," "Frozen: Choral Suite" and "Shut De Do." (Photo lifted from GDILIVE.COM)



A Rising Star award was presented to Madeline Schuelke. (Photo lifted from GDILIVE.COM)



The high school band came back to play three more selections. Grace Wambach had an alto saxophone solo during the performance of "The Incredibles (Main Theme). Then "Mulan" was performed with soloists Erin Unzen on trumpet, Jenifer Fjelstad on flute and Ashley Garduno on French Horn. The last was "A Disney Spectacular" with AnneMarie Smith on trumpet, Grace Wambach on alto saxophone and Kylie Kassube on clarinet. (Photo lifted from GDILIVE.COM)



The senior excellence award was presented to Jenifer Fjelstad. (Photo lifted from GDILIVE.COM)



The girls choir sang, "I See the Light," with Chloe Daly and Jenifer Fjelstad doing solos. Desiree Yeigh was the accompanist for all of the choir selections. (Photo lifted from GDILIVE.COM)



The John Philip Sousa Award was presented to Hattie Weismantel. (Photo lifted from GDILIVE.COM)



The mixed choir sang, "He Live in You." (Photo lifted from GDILIVE.COM)

Nine Groton athletes qualify for the state track meet; Doeden wins in four events at region

The regional track meet was held Thursday at Webster and Groton Area qualified several athletes for the state track meet set for May 25 and 26 in Spearfish and Rapid City respectively. Jonathan Doeden won in four events at the regional track meet and qualified for state in the 110m and 300m hurdles, the long jump and ran the first leg of the winning 400m relay team. Other state qualifiers are Gia Gengerke in long jump, Harleigh Stange in the long jump and triple jump, and Jessica Bjerke in the discus and shot, the boys 400m Relay team of Jonathan Doeden, Lucas Hinman, Austin Jones and Thomas Cranford and Luke Thorson and Jennie Doeden in the discus.

Girl's Division:

Team Points: 1, Roncalli, 205; 2, Milbank, 160.67; 3, Redfield/Doland, 114; 4, Webster Area, 102; 5, Groton Area, 100.33; 6, Sisseton, 31; 7, Tiospa Zina, 3.

100m Hurdles: Prelims: 5, Cassandra Townsend, 18.93; Finals: 6, Cassandra Townsend, 19.31.

300m Hurdles: Cassandra Townsend, 59.63.

100m Dash: Prelims: 8, Kenzie McInerney, 14.13; Jodi Hinman, 14.25; Tiara DeHoet, 14.30; Finals: 7, Kenzie McInerney, 14.18.

200m Dash: Jodi Hinman, 30.66; Tiara DeHoet, 32.48.

400m Dash: 5, Payton Maine, 1:08.66; 7, Jodi Hinman, 1:11.57.

800m Run: 5, Amelie Hartwig, 2:46.64; Desiree Blevins, 3:27.03.

1600m Run: Alex Stange, 6:47.53; Desiree Blevins, 7:07.66.

400m Relay: 3, Groton (Harleigh Stange, Kenzie McInerney, Eliza Wanner, Gia Gengerke), 53.44.

800m Relay: 3, Groton (Harleigh Stange, Payton Maine, Eliza Wanner, Gia Gengerke), 1:51.89.

1600m Relay: 5, Groton (Eliza Wanner, Kenzie McInerney, Lina-Marie Suhr, Amelie Hartwig), 4:38.05.

3200m Relay: 4, Groton (Amelie Hartwig, Lina-Marie Suhr, Riley Gengerke, Alex Stange), 11:30.49.

1600m Sprint Relay: 3, Groton (Eliza Wanner, Kenzie McInerney, Lina-Marie Suhr, Riley Gengerke), 4:52.23.

High Jump: 4 (tie), Nicole Marzahn, 4-5; 4 (tie), Gia Gengerke, 4-5; 8 (tie), Alex Stange, 4-3.

Long Jump: 1, Gia Gengerke, 15-4.25; 4, Nicole Marzahn, 14-7.25.

Triple Jump: 7, Nicole Marzahn, 29-8.5.

Discus: 1, Jessica Bjerke, 106-11; 4, Jennie Doeden, 99-9; 8, Kaycie Hawkins, 85-0.

Shot Put: 1, Jessica Bjerke, 34-3.50; 3, Jennie Doeden, 32-6.25; 8, Kaycie Hawkins, 29-2.25.

Boy's Division

Team Points: 1, Milbank, 198.75; 2, Roncalli, 143.25; 3, Sisseton, 114; 4, Groton Area, 100.75; 5, Redfield/Doland, 77.25; 6, Webster Area, 77.

110m Hurdles: Prelims: 1, Jonathan Doeden, 15.51; 3, Paxton Bonn, 17.71; Finals: 1, Jonathan Doeden, 15.15; 3, Paxton Bonn, 17.71.

300m Hurdles: 1, Jonathan Doeden, 41.68.

100m Dash: Prelims: 7, Thomas Cranford, 11.77; 9, Darien Shabazz, 12.13; Finals: 7, Thomas Cranford, 11.79.

200m Dash: 7, Darien Shabazz, 25.05; Thomas Cranford, 25.30.

400m Dash: Darien Shabazz, 58.11; Douglas Heminger, 1:03.87.

800m Run: 7, Isaac Smith, 2:29.93; Douglas Heminger, 2:44.28.

1600m Run: 4, Isaac Smith, 5:08.39.

400m Relay: 1, Groton (Jonathan Doeden, Lucas Hinman, Austin Jones, Thomas Cranford), 45.87.

800m Relay: 5, Groton (Trevor Harry, Darien Shabazz, Austin Jones, Thomas Cranford), 1:42.61.

1600m Relay: 6, Groton (Mitchell Koens, Jackson Cogley, Jacob Lewandowski, Issac Smith), 4:13.81.

3200m Relay: 4, Groton (Mitchell Koens, Jackson Cogley, Jacob Lewandowski, Isaac Smith), 9:41.17.



These Groton Area athletes have qualified for the state track meet May 25 in Spearfish and May 26 in Rapid City. In back, left to right, are Jessica Bjerke, Gia Gengerke, Luke Thorson, Jennie Doeden and Harleigh Stange; in front is the boys 400m relay team of Thomas Cranford, Austin Jones, Lucas Hinman and Johnathan Doeden. (Photo by Paul Kosel)

1600m Sprint Relay: 4, Groton (Trevor Harry, Jackson Cogley, Jacob Lewandowski, Mitchell Koens), 4:20.88.

High Jump: 3, Paxton Bonn, 5-4; 4, Austin Jones, 5-2; 8 (tie) Jackson Cogley, 5-2.

Long Jump: 1, Jonathan Doeden, 20-1.25; 8, Paxton Bonn, 17-5.25; Trevor Harry, 16-1.25.

Triple Jump: 7, Trevor Harry, 35-0.25; Austin Jones, 34-3.50; Paxton Bonn, 32-9.5.

Discus: 3, Luke Thorson, 113-8; 7, Grady O'Neill, 100-6; Caleb Furney, 94-1.

Shot Put: 6, Luke Thorson, 38-5.5; Grady O'Neill, 36-0.5; Caleb Furney, 34-2.5.



Groton Majors Team takes first Smitty's has three leagues of youth spring baseball: Rookies (1st & 2nd graders), Minors (3rd & 4th) and Majors (5th & 6th). Groton had one or two teams in all divisions. These kids are one of the two Groton teams in the Majors and they won the championship in the tournament Monday night. Pictured in back, left to right, are Coaches Craig Dunker, Nick Simon and Jarod Fliehs; in the middle row, left to right, are Drew Thurston, Bryson Wambach, Bradin Althoff, Colby Dunker and Teylor Diegel; and in front, left to right, are Brevin Fliehs, Carter Simon, Lane Tietz, Nick Morris, Braxton Imrie and Alec Woodward. (Photo by Dawn Imrie)



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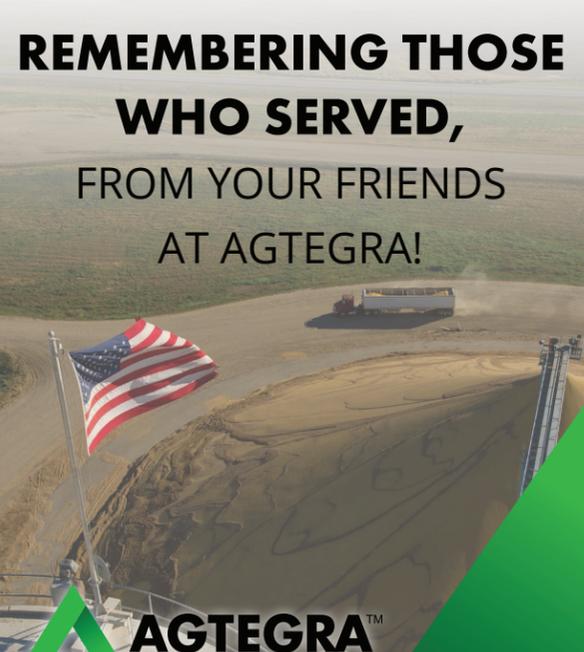
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Pool opening date moved to May 31

The Groton Swimming Pool is opening May 31 instead of the original May 26 target date. That information was presented in an executive session with Kami Lipp, Brenda Madsen and Karla Pasteur in attendance for over half an hour. Under the item of pool updates on the agenda, the council went into executive session. No explanation was given as to why the pool is opening later.

Mayor Scott Hanlon reported that Councilman Eddy Opp is quite ill at this time with his cancer treatments and Opp has been unable to attend the last few meetings. The 2018 council appointments were approved with several councilmen being assigned to fill in for Opp for the time being. Jay Peterson will fill in as the co-chairman of solid waste, rubble site, parks, forestry and liquor with Burt Glover being the chairman. David McGannon will fill in as chairman of wastewater, cemetery, civil defense and community center with Peterson being the co-chairman. Burt Glover will fill in as co-chairman of police as David Blackmun is the chairman. In the other departments, McGannon is chairman and Blackmun is co-chairman of electric, transit, insect and weed control and airport. Blackmun is chairman and McGannon is co-chairman of streets, baseball, storm drainage and other recreation. Peterson is chairman and Kayrn Babcock is co-chairman of finance office, legal, library, insurance, general administration, elections and code enforcement. Peterson is the council's representative for the Northeast Council of Government and Blackmun is the representative for the planning and zoning commission.

State has changed a few laws in regards to malt beverage licenses. Dollar General has to renew its malt beverage license under a different plant which is on-off sale malt beverage. Mayor Scott Hanlon said the original agreement is not to permit drinking on the facility. Finance Officer Hope Block said she had talked to head quarters and they have no intentions of making any changes. Councilman David Blackmun said if there is a Dollar General bar inside the building, "We would revoke the license."

Topper Tastad asked to rescind the decision to demolish the jail. Mike Nehls said, "The jail is a historical landmark for Groton. It would be nice to restore it." Tastad said the Groton Community Historical Society would become the custodians of the jail. Ownership would remain with the city. Tastad said the building

will be tuck-pointed this summer. Tastad said that the historical society would pay for the repairs. Currently, the building is not insured by the city for replacement. It is covered by liability insurance. "We (the Groton Community Historical Society) would do the repair on it at no expense to the city," Tastad said. "It would be a gift for the people of Groton." City Attorney Drew Johnson said he is concerned about the asbestos situation if it exists. "We (the city) don't want you going in there and being exposed to asbestos. The city would still be liability. I know it's a very expensive proposal to remove asbestos."

Councilman David Blackmun said that as a landlord, we are on the hook for the repairs. "I want it to be done satisfactory and by a licensed contractor," Blackmun said. Mayor Scott Hanlon said, "I would rather have someone repair it that I know and not with someone that I don't know. I faith in him doing a good job."

"I don't see the harm in letting it stand if it's fixed correctly," said Councilman Karyn Babcock. Mike Nehls said the jail has a lot of historical importance to the community. Eddy Nehls said, "It would be nice to have something historical to look at when you come to town." Mike and Eddy Nehls have both served as the Chief of Police in Groton.

The discussion when on for half an hour about the jail. The council decided to give the historical society until September 30, 2018, to make the repairs. It passed on a 3-2 vote with Councilmen Burt Glover and David Blackmun voting no.

Tastad then discussed the need for electrical equipment at the park for the Summer Festival. The plan is to install three different electrical outlets in the park for people to use. There is \$3,000 pledged for the project from the Groton Lions Club and the Groton American Legion as a gift for the community, Tastad said. It would give food venders for the Summer Festival more opportunities for electrical outlets. The council approved the project.

Tastad said that the Lions Club has begun the discussion to help with a project to make handicap bathrooms. "We just want to start the discussion on this," Tastad said.

Then there was discussion on street striping. Opinions varied on whether it should be done. The equipment can be borrowed from the school to do the striping.

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Weekly Vikings Roundup

By Jordan Wright



For the past few weeks we have covered the NFL draft. First with an in-depth look at the Vikings' draft picks, then an overview look at the rest of the NFC North. This week we will cover the rest of the NFL. Obviously, there isn't enough time or space to get into every draft pick for every team in the NFL, so we'll be covering the best and worst picks from the draft.

Draft day winners

The Arizona Cardinals were one team that had a great draft. Last year they were very interested in drafting Patrick Mahomes but ended up watching the Chiefs leapfrog them and draft Mahomes instead. This year they were determined to draft their quarterback of the future, and when Josh Rosen started to fall down the draft, the Cardinals were able to move up into the top 10 to get him. The crazy thing is they only had to give up a third and a fifth-round pick to move up! The Cardinals entered the offseason with one of the worst quarterback depth charts in the NFL, but now have Sam Bradford, Josh Rosen and Mike Glennon. That's a heck of an improvement in a short amount of time.

The Baltimore Ravens also had a great draft that has set their team up for success down the road. Ravens' General Manager Ozzie Newsome decided to retire after the 2018 NFL draft, and he wanted to make sure he left the team in great hands. Knowing Joe Flacco is not a great quarterback, Newsome moved back into the first round to select QB Lamar Jackson. The plan right now is for Flacco to start at least one more season, but since the two quarterbacks have vastly different playing styles, it will be interesting to see how long it takes the team to embrace Jackson and alter the offense to fit his strengths.

The team who had the best draft in the NFL just might be the Cleveland Browns. Holding the first and fourth overall picks in a draft comes with an immense amount of pressure and a high probability to screw things up. The Browns took a long look at all the quarterbacks in the draft and decided Baker Mayfield was their guy. Once that decision was made, they didn't waver and took their guy at number one. I might not agree with them picking Denzel Ward over Bradley Chubb three picks later, but Ward is still a great player who will help solidify the Browns' secondary.

Draft day losers

The New Orleans Saints had one of the greatest drafts in NFL history last year, but they followed it up with a head-scratching move in 2018. The Saints traded their 2018 first and fifth round draft picks, as well as their first-round pick next year, to move up 13 spots (from 27 to 14). That's a lot of draft capital to give up for anyone, but what makes it worse is the pick was used on a pass rusher (Marcus Davenport) who has hit-or-miss written all over him. I thought Davenport would go in the late first or early second round, and he has tons of potential, I just don't believe he will return the investment the Saints have already made in him.

The New York Giants were another team that had a poor draft. In the ten drafts before 2018, the Giants' average draft slot was 20th and they haven't had a top-five pick since 2004 (which is when they acquired Eli Manning). The

Giants were positioned to replace the 37-year-old Manning with the second overall pick this year, but they ended up drafting a running back instead. Running back is not a vital position in today's NFL. Saquon Barkley is very talented, and will be a great running back in the NFL. However, there is not a huge talent gap between him and the other running backs that were taken later in the draft. The Giants had a chance to take a quarterback and secure their franchise for the next 15 years. Instead they took a running back, and as Vikings fans we know that having the greatest running back in the NFL doesn't always lead to success.

The biggest draft day loser was the Las Vegas Raiders (it still feels weird to type that). It was no secret the Raiders coveted offensive tackle Mike McGlinchey from Notre Dame, so when the 49ers took McGlinchey with the ninth overall pick (one pick before the Raiders), the Raiders panicked and elected to move back in the draft. To move back to the 15th pick, the Raiders only got a third and a fifth-round pick in return. With the 15th pick, the Raiders drafted Kolton Miller who is a second or third round prospect. The rest of their draft picks were very underwhelming, with the possible exception of Arden Key, a defensive end who could turn into a player similar to Danielle Hunter.

Next week, we will start going through the Vikings roster starting with the quarterback position. If you have any questions or comments, reach out to me on Twitter (@JordanWrightNFL) Skol!

Groton City May 21, 2018 General Meeting

May 21, 2018

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at the Community Center for their second monthly meeting with the following members present: Peterson, McGannon, Babcock, Glover, Blackmun and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were: Attorney Drew Johnson, Finance Officer Hope Block, Kathy Sundermeyer, Paul Kosel, Mike Nehls, Eddy Nehls, and Topper Tastad.

Moved by Peterson and seconded by Glover to approve the Retail (on-off sale) Malt Beverage License for Dollar General Store # 17565. All members present voted aye.

Topper Tastad requested the Council rescind the motion to demolish the City Jail. He would like to maintain and repair the Jail for the Groton Community, and the Groton Community Historical Society would pay for the repairs. Several emails were presented in favor of saving the Jail, and Eddy Nehls explained that the Jail is like a part of his family. Mike Nehls added that he would like to save the Jail because of the historical significance it has for the Groton Community. Several concerns were voiced.

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Peterson to rescind the previous motion to demolish the City Jail under the conditions that it is repaired by September 30, 2018. McGannon voted aye, and Blackmun and Glover voted nay. Motion was carried.

Carla Pasteur, Kami Lipp and Brenda Madsen entered the meeting at 7:34pm.

Topper also explained that the City Park needs power for food vendors for events. Between the Lions Club and the Legion there is about \$3000 that can be donated for new electrical equipment in the Park if the City employees would install it.

Moved by Glover and seconded by Babcock to approve the new electrical equipment in the City Park by donation from the Lions Club and the Legion. All members present voted aye.

The Lions Club is also willing to help fund a new handicapped bathroom in the City Park.

Topper voiced concerns regarding striping parking spots on Main Street. City employees will be striping Main Street this year.

At 7:51pm Topper, Eddy and Mike left the meeting.

Moved by Glover and seconded by Babcock to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal items 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 7:52 pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 8:35pm.

Moved by Glover and seconded by Babcock to accept the Pool Manager notes with swimming pool open dates and prices. All members present voted aye.

McGannon presented a proposed Swimming Pool Shelter with prices from contractors. Moved by Glover and seconded by Blackmun to table the Pool Shelter proposal. All members present voted aye.

At 8:44 Babcock, Lipp, Madsen and Pasteur left the meeting.

Moved by McGannon and seconded by Blackmun to approve Summer Fest in the City Park July 22, 2018. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Peterson and seconded by Glover to table the approval for Pumpkin Fest. All members present voted aye.

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

Moved by McGannon and seconded by Peterson to authorize the following bills for payment. All members present voted aye.

Payroll, \$19,600.51, Employee salaries; Administrative, \$2,977.71; Public Safety, \$6,258.01; Public Works, \$10,364.79; First State Bank, \$6,711.52, SS and WH; First State Bank, \$250.38, HSA contributions; Dakotaland FCU, \$950.00, Employee savings; April Abeln, \$191.59, Dep & med flex; Branden Abeln, \$82.00, Personal phone use, travel meals; Hope Block, \$27.40, Nefog mtg mileage, travel meal; Chris Campbell, \$159.56, Utility deposit refund; Chase Visa, \$2,738.94, CC vacuum, cleaning supplies, chemicals, 4 benches (reimbursed by donation), postage, library books, bucket truck welding, ear plugs, hearing protectors; City of Groton, \$542.81, Transit utilities, deposit refunds, postage; Emblem Enterprises, \$284.35, Patches for PD; Graham Tire, \$266.04, Tires for patrol vehicle; Groton Ford, \$244.35, Replace patrol vehicle battery; Terry Herron, \$521.98, Travel meals, med flex; Paul Kosel, \$60.00, Personal phone use - 3/18, 4/18, 5/18; Doug Kriech, \$119.12, Utility deposit refund; Shawn Lambertz, \$303.46, Mileage 2 Heartland meetings, travel meal; SD Govt Finance Assn, \$140.00, FO School Registration fee Drew Johnson, 2018 dues; SD Govt HR Assn, \$25.00, 2018 dues; SD Supp Retirement, \$530.00, Employee retirement; Dan Sunne, \$60.00, Personal phone use - 3/18, 4/18, 5/18; USPS, \$197.05, Utility bill postage; SD State Treasurer, \$10,296.53, Taxes 4/18; Heartland Waste, \$6,776.79, Garbage hauling; Ameripride, \$36.46, Rug rent; Blue Valley Public Safety, \$621.69, Park siren battery charger; Bierschbach, \$5,768.00, One week crack seal rental and sealant; James Valley, \$510.44, Phones and internet; WAPA, \$17,468.94, Power 4/18; Heartland, \$72,296.91, Power 4/18; SD Dept of Health, \$218.00, Water testing; Wellmark, \$14,041.62, Employee health insurance; Associated Supply, \$8,218.43, Pool chemicals.

Moved by Peterson and seconded by Glover to approve the finance report for April. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Blackmun and seconded by Glover to approve the following committee appointments:

All members present voted aye.

NECOG Representative: Peterson.

Planning and Zoning Representative: Blackmun

Committees:

Electric, Transit, Insect & Weed Control, Airport: Chairman McGannon, Co-Chairman Blackmun.

Water, Swimming Pool, Skating, Economic Development: Chairman Babcock, Co-Chairman Glover.

Streets, Baseball, Storm Drainage, Other Rec (Tennis, Basketball, Golf): Chairman Blackmun, Co-Chairman McGannon.

Wastewater, Cemetery, Civil Defense: Chairman McGannon, Co-Chairman Peterson.

Finance Office, Legal, Library, Insurance, General Admin, Elections, Code Enforcement: Chairman Peterson, Co-Chairman Babcock.

Solid Waste, Rubble Site, Parks, Forestry, Liquor: Chairman Glover, Co-Chairman Peterson.

Police: Chairman Blackmun, Co-Chairman Glover.

Jay Peterson will fill in as the co-chairman of solid waste, rubble site, parks, forestry and liquor with Burt Glover being the chairman. David McGannon will

fill in as chairman of wastewater, cemetery, civil defense and community center with Peterson being the co-chairman. Burt Glover will fill in as co-chairman of police as David Blackmun is the chairman. In the other departments, McGannon is chairman and Blackmun is co-chairman of electric, transit, insect and weed control and airport. Blackmun is chairman and McGannon is co-chairman of streets, baseball, storm drainage and other recreation. Peterson is chairman and Kayrn Babcock is co-chairman of finance office, legal, library, insurance, general administration, elections and code enforcement. Peterson is the council's representative for the Northeast Council of Government and Blackmun is the representative for the planning and zoning commission.

Public comments:

Kosel asked the Council why the pool managers were in executive session. Mayor Hanlon replied that the managers were in executive session for personnel reasons.

Moved by Glover and seconded by Blackmun to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal items 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 8:58 pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 9:18pm.

Moved by Glover and seconded by Blackmun to hire Dalton Locke for the Jr. Legion Baseball Coach. All members present voted aye.

Moved by McGannon and seconded by Babcock to adjourn the meeting at 9:20pm. All members present voted aye.

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Frederick School May 14, 2018

Meeting Minutes

OFFICIAL BOARD PROCEEDINGS
FREDERICK AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT #6-2
MAY 14, 2018

The meeting was called to order on May 14, 2018 at 7:00pm by Chairman Rich Schlosser. Members present were Dan Nickelson, Jon Ellwein and Eric Sumption. Others present were Superintendent/9-12 Principal/Athletic Director Jeff Kusters, K-8 Principal Jessica Ringgenberg and Business Manager Janel Wagner.

The meeting began with all present reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Schlosser welcomed visitor Richard Achen.

Action 17-107 Motion by Sumption, second by Ellwein to approve the agenda as presented. All aye, carried.

Action 17-108 Motion by Ellwein, second by Sumption to approve consent agenda which included the following items as presented: minutes of meeting held April 9, 2018; financial statements and payment of bills. All aye, carried.

Claims approved: April Payroll - General Fund salaries 72,144.68; Special Education salaries 10,013.37; Food Service salaries 2,678.88; EFTPS, federal income tax/Social Security/Medicare 22,448.83; AFLAC, supplemental insurance 450.76; American Funds, retirement 1,185.50; AMI, garnishment 733.04; Delta Dental, insurance 1,582.68; Reliastar Life, insurance 159.04; SD Retirement 12,349.69; SD Retirement Supplemental, 460.50; Security Benefits, retirement 412.50; VSP, vision insurance 247.64; Wellmark, health insurance 16,861.00.

General Fund: A & B BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, staples 91.40; ABERDEEN ASPHALT, snow removal 1,472.50; ABERDEEN NEWS, advertising 357.02; AGTEGRA, diesel/gasoline 4,748.35; ALL PARTITIONS & PARTS, repairs 53.00; AMAZON, supplies 210.30; BJS STURGIS, gasoline 34.49; CLIMATE CONTROL, repairs 564.50; COLE PAPERS, supplies 1,937.30; CRAWFORD TRUCKS & EQUIPMENT, repairs 519.64; CWD, FFVP 976.28; EUREKA SCHOOL DISTRICT, Co-op cost share 1,589.66; EVAN-MOOR EDUCATIONAL, supplies 149.85; FARNAM'S GENUINE PARTS, repairs 347.67; FOREMAN SALES AND SERVICE, repairs 326.46; FREDERICK FORWARD, FYI cost share 1,800.00; GDI News, publishing 108.69; HERMANSEN, RANDY, travel 82.00; JAMES VALLEY TELECOMMUNICATIONS, telephone 253.43; JOHNSON CONTROLS FIRE PROTECTION, fire alarm contract 995.00; KESSLER'S, Title I parent night supplies 35.90; LEOLA SCHOOL DISTRICT, Co-op cost share 2,280.79; MARC, supplies 304.02; MENARDS, supplies 33.71; MIDSTATES GROUP, awards 237.00; MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES, electric 4,256.79; MOTIVATION PLAQUES, awards 131.45; MY PLACE HOTEL, travel 228.00; O'REILLY AUTO PARTS, repairs 106.54; PANTORIUM CLEANERS, supplies 328.00; PODOLL, LANCE, mileage 309.12; POSTMASTER, postage 13.50; QUALITY QUICK PRINT, postage 9.96; RUNNING'S, supplies 23.78; SANDER'S SEW-N-VAC, repairs 61.88; SCHOOL SPECIALTY, supplies 17.97; SD HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOC, fees 31.00; ASSOCIATION SD SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS, conference registration fee 150.00; SDASBO, workshop registration fee 50.00; SHERATON SIOUX FALLS, travel 530.00; SISSETON AMERICAN LEGION, track meet fees 100.00; SISSETON SCHOOL DISTRICT, track meet fees 150.00; TAYLOR MUSIC, supplies/repairs 75.00; TOWN OF FREDERICK, water/

sewer/garbage 175.86; TRUST AND AGENCY FUND, Imprest reimbursement 1,930.14. Capital Outlay Fund: A & B BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, copier contract 589.66; AMAZON, supplies 162.53; AMERICAN TIME, clocks 293.69; FINISHING TOUCH DESIGN STUDIO, floor tiles 147.15; GRAMMARLY, software 139.95; PAUER SOUND & MUSIC, gymnasium sound system 9,972.97; RINGGENBERG, JESSICA, library chairs 220.36; SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIRS, books 21.98; TAYLOR MUSIC, drum stand 238.00; TRUST AND AGENCY FUND, Imprest reimbursement 2,358.57. Special Education Fund: AVERA ST LUKES, occupational/physical therapy 1,798.00; POSTMASTER, postage 8.04. Food Service Fund: BLUE RIBBON MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES, supplies 188.76; CWD, food/supplies 3,356.19; PARENT, lunch money refund 41.35; PARENT, lunch money refund 18.40; PANTORIUM CLEANERS, supplies 69.12.

The following reports were presented:

A. Jeff Kusters - Superintendent/9-12 Principal/Athletic Director

B. Jessica Ringgenberg - K-8 Principal

Action 17-109 Be it hereby resolved that the Board of Education of the Frederick Area School District does authorize participation the in the Associated School Boards Protective Trust Property and Liability Fund. Ellwein-yes, Sumption-yes, Schlosser-yes, Nickelson-yes. Carried.

Action 17-110 Motion by Sumption, second by Ellwein to approve Open Enrollment Applications #19-2, #19-3 and #19-4. All aye, carried.

Action 17-111 Motion by Sumption, second by Ellwein to declare items listed as surplus and authorize the Business Manager to dispose of the items. All aye, carried.

Action 17-112 Motion by Nickelson, second by Sumption to approve installation of snow bars on school building roof. All aye, carried.

Action 17-113 Motion by Sumption, second by Ellwein to purchase new Grasshopper 623T from Titan Machinery. All aye, carried.

Action 17-114 Motion by Ellwein, second by Nickelson to approve first reading of Sentinel policy. All aye, carried.

Enter Alex Hart at 7:44pm.

Action 17-115 Motion by Ellwein, second by Nickelson to accept the resignation from Shawn Cutler as Junior High Boys Basketball coach. All aye, carried.

Action 17-116 Motion by Ellwein, second by Hart to accept the resignations from Scott Gilbertson as Custodian and Tom Arnold as Assistant Janitor, effective May 17, 2018. All aye, carried.

Action 17-117 Motion by Sumption, second by Nickelson to accept 2018 Head Golf coach contract from Jeff Kusters for \$4,118.14. All aye, carried.

Action 17-118 Motion by Nickelson, second by Ellwein to offer 2018 Driver's Education Instructor contract to Jeff Kusters for \$2,000 classroom plus \$20.00 per hour driving time. All aye, carried.

Action 17-119 Motion by Nickelson, second by Sumption to accept Head Cook contract for Faye Gunther at \$18.03/hr. All aye, carried.

Action 17-120 Motion by Sumption, second by Hart to accept 7-12 Special Education teacher contract from Christine Kusters for \$42,300 and Special Education Director contract for \$2,500. All aye, carried.

Action 17-121 Motion by Ellwein, second by Nickelson to approve the Leola/Frederick Titans Coaching Salary Schedule as presented. All aye, carried.

Action 17-122 Motion by Sumption, second by Nickelson to approve the modified 2018-2019 school calendar. All aye, carried.

Action 17-123 Motion by Nickelson, second by Ellwein to submit the following votes to the SDHSA: Yes for Amendment 1; Yes for Dr. Paul Turman-Large School Group Board of Education representative; Yes for Dr. Jerry Rasmussen-Division III representative; Yes for Craig Cassens-Division IV representative. All aye, carried.

Action 17-124 Motion by Sumption, second by Hart to approve the 2018-2019 North Central Special Education Cooperative Agreement. All aye, carried.

Action 17-125 Motion by Hart, second by Ellwein to accept the following 2018-2019 administrative contracts, certified contracts, and employment agreements: Jessica Ringgenberg, K-8 Principal \$57,500; Janel Wagner, Business Manager \$42,600; Jennifer Anliker, teacher \$41,450; Crystal Arthurs, teacher \$37,700; Janelle Barondeau, teacher \$49,260; Janel Bergan, teacher \$51,855; Jennifer Dallman, teacher \$40,500; Jennifer Hoyle, teacher \$39,000; Elizabeth Labesky, teacher \$49,860; Ashley Larsen, counselor \$43,000; Jennifer Little, teacher \$37,400; Melissa Meidinger, teacher \$40,300; Marty Morlock, teacher \$45,260; Brock Pashen, teacher \$40,775; Caitlin Podoll, teacher \$40,600; Sarah Sumption, teacher \$45,660; Paula Tschosik, teacher \$44,260; Maggie Ulmer, teacher \$40,625; Tonya Zinter, teacher \$53,853; Renee Brooks, paraprofessional \$16.04/hr; Janet Elsen, paraprofessional \$20.53/hr; Donna Hoffman, paraprofessional \$13.90/hr; Michelle Sumption, paraprofessional \$13.27/hr; Stacey Sumption, Administrative Assistant \$17.82/hr; Renata Winburn, paraprofessional \$13.58/hr.

Action 17-126 Motion by Nickelson, second by Hart to offer 2018-2019 employment agreements to Rick Downes, Sheryl Downes, Jim Dumire, Marty Morlock, Mark Christianson, Lance Podoll, John Brotzel; Athletic Director contract to Jeff Kusters; extra-curricular contracts to Elizabeth Labesky and Brock Pashen. All aye, carried.

Mrs. Wagner presented the preliminary budget information for Fiscal Year 2019.

Mrs. Wagner presented CD rate options provided by First National Bank. Discussion was held to move \$500,000 from the money market account to SD FIT.

Discussion was held regarding radio advertising for enrollment. Mr. Kusters will contact Hub City Radio to start advertising campaign for early summer.

School improvement ideas were discussed.

Congratulations go out to the following: the Class of 2018; Bryson Witte for being selected to participate in the Summer Trooper Academy with the SD Highway Patrol; Keely Podoll for attending the Best and Brightest luncheon in Pierre with Governor Dugaard and Hannah Sumption on being recognized by the Aberdeen News as a Gold Scholastic Stars member.

Action 17-127 Motion by Ellwein, second by Hart to adjourn at 9:00pm. All aye, carried.

Richard Schlosser, Chairman
Janel Wagner, Business Manager

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Brown County May 18, 2018

Special Meeting

MAY 18, 2018 - SPECIAL MEETING

A Special Meeting of the Brown County Commission was called to order by Commission Chair Fjeldheim at 8:45 A.M., May 18, 2018 in the Commission Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, SD for purpose of review and possible approval of Lottery Permit Applications. Present were Commissioners

Sutton, Fischbach and Kippely. Commissioner Hansen was absent.

LOTTERY APPLICATIONS: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Fischbach to approve and authorize the Chair sign the following applications for Lottery to be held at the Brown County Fairgrounds during the horse races: Aberdeen Pink Ladies Dart League on May 19, 2018; Sister Strong of Aberdeen on May 20, 2018; and Yelduz Shrine on May 26, 2018. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Kippely, seconded by Fischbach to adjourn the Special Meeting of the Brown County Commission at 8:49 a.m. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor

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Brown County May 15, 2018

Meeting Minutes

MAY 15, 2018 - GENERAL MEETING

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

MINUTES: Moved by Kippely, seconded by Fischbach to approve the General Meeting Minutes of May 8, 2018. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

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

Payroll: Commission \$5,395.76; Auditor \$8,498.26; Treasurer \$14,035.00; States Attorney \$22,749.46; SVAWA Grant \$1,282.08; Maintenance \$7,724.99; Assessor \$11,844.01; Register of Deeds \$9,518.93; Veterans Service Office \$4,274.67; GIS \$2,347.50; Information Technology \$8,096.94; Human Resources \$1,442.55; Sheriff Admin \$32,992.59; Jail \$53,157.30; JDC \$23,357.89; Welfare Office \$3,742.79; Museum \$7,842.12; Parks & Fairgrounds \$6,126.87; Fair Board \$3,784.24; 4-H \$605.20; Weed & Pest \$695.43; Planning and Zoning \$2,474.84; Highway \$51,899.02; Communications \$25,926.37; Emergency Management \$4,039.59; Teen Court \$251.19; 24/7 \$3,196.64; Landfill \$14,212.78.

Matching Benefits: FICA \$19,568.68; Medicare \$4,576.57; HSA \$100.00.

Insurance: SD Public Assurance Alliance \$212.96.

Professional Fees: Trent Anderson \$65.00; Avera Group of Peace \$152.00; Rebecca Backous \$20.00; Billy Benefiel \$20.00; Kiya Quiram-Bierman \$29.40; Certified Languages \$1,331.55; Dennis Chasteen \$20.00; Compass Counseling \$1,800.00; Dakota Counseling Group \$1,800.00; Victoria Ettles \$20.00; Helms & Assoc. \$9,710.00; Mark Katterhagen \$30.00; Kuusakoski \$6,527.45; Lucy Lewno \$320.00; Lincoln Co. Treasurer \$433.00; Darcy Lockwood \$30.00; Alexis Luce \$20.00; Minnehaha Co. Auditor \$312.85; Josephine Potratz \$58.54; PRCA \$1,600.00; Cassandra Rappe \$20.00; Alicia Retzlaff \$38.80; Sanford Health Occupational Medicine \$226.00; SD Dept. of Revenue & Regulation \$638,936.92; Tammy Stolle Court Reporting \$104.40; WPA \$150.00; Yankton Co. Sheriff Office \$100.00; Sara Zahn \$106.40.

Publishing: Aberdeen American News \$2,296.27; Dakota Broadcasting \$1,400.00; Forum \$34.10; Gannett WI Media \$30.22; Groton Independent \$384.96; Hub City Radio \$1,050.00; Rapid City Journal \$27.42.

Rentals: 446-Praxair \$24.09. Repairs & Maintenance: Aberdeen Plumbing & Heating \$1,463.39; B & B Contracting \$350.00; Clark Engineering

\$2,660.00; Dakota Pump & Control \$450.00; DMI \$14,200.00; Farm Power Mfg. \$20.00; Farnams \$108.80; G & K Services \$282.44; GCR Tires \$489.21; Helms & Assoc. \$2,059.30; Olson's Pest Techs \$825.00; Overhead Door \$408.16; Pantorium Cleaners \$44.00; Pierson-Ford \$48.45; PowerPlan \$5,254.04; Pressure Washer \$91.50; Sterling Solutions \$750.00; Trailing Source \$7,998.18; Volk Upholstery \$60.00; Wally's Skid Steer Service \$507.50; Walth Safety Service \$118.75.

Supplies: A-1 Locksmithing \$9.00; Aberdeen Transmission \$75.77; AgTegra \$7,984.75; Bashaar Al-Sumurray \$75.00; Auto Zone \$26.99; Bob Barker \$2,458.03; Cash-Wa \$5,708.25; Century Business Products \$1,056.68; Dakota Oil \$78.23; DSG \$27.00; Farm Power Mfg. \$341.44; Farnams \$255.80; Fastenal \$184.92; GovConnection \$274.60; Heartland Paper \$1,405.28; Kessler's \$22.27; Klein's \$200.00; Ladner Electric \$860.23; Lar-Jo's \$400.20; Lucy Lewno \$11.44; Kenneth Lynch \$750.00; Marco \$53.97; Menards \$10.66; Constalita Mendoza \$30.00; Midstates Printing \$26.70; Midwest Art Conservation Center \$100.00; NVC \$26.25; Satellite Tracking \$208.00; Stan Houston Equip. \$530.88; TranSource \$1,890.38; Volk Upholstery \$30.00; West Payment Center \$1,733.34.

Travel & Conference: SDSU Extension \$69.63; Winner Police Dept. \$67.20.

Utilities: Aberdeen City Treasurer \$352.08; City of Hecla \$288.69; Exec. Mgmt \$119.66; Northern Electric \$2,329.03; NWPS \$1,152.06; NVC \$614.99; Verizon \$200.05.

Other: Safe Harbor \$1,066.00; SDACO \$908.00. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

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

Approve hiring Morgan Black as full-time Deputy for Courthouse Security, effective May 21, 2018 @ \$21.33 per hour.

Approve hiring Presley Mittelstadt as seasonal Fair social media intern, effective May 21, 2018 @ \$11.63 per hour.

Acknowledge resignation of Joselyn Underberg, effective May 13, 2018; and further approve request to fill vacancy.

Approve the following Employee Step Increases, effective May 20, 2018: David Bruckner @ \$21.08 per hour, Tracy Engquist @ \$16.98 per hour, Christeen Krahl @ \$17.52 per hour, Jonathan Waller @ \$18.16 per hour, Troy Grote @ \$18.43 per hour.

All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

INVENTORY TRANSFER: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Hansen to approve inventory transfer of Decal #3402 2012 Chev Impala (42145) from Sheriff Department to Commission. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

AUDITORS REPORT OF ACCOUNT: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Kippely to approve the April 2018 Auditor's Report of Account with the County Treasurer in total amount of \$30,767,628.81 (total amount of actual cash @ \$4,906.40, Cash items (bad checks) @ \$93.60, US Bank @ \$221,024.93, Dacotah Bank @ \$21,744,478.99, Petty Cash/Change Funds @ \$2,600.00, Fund Investments @ \$8,794,524.89). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

SHERIFF REPORTS: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Sutton to approve the following April 2018 Sheriff Reports: Incidents and offenses, Prisoner care, JDC, and Money deposited with the County Treasurer. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

FAIR CONTRACTS: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Sutton to approve and authorize the Chair sign the following contracts for the 2018 Brown

County Fair: Brothers Osborne @ \$100,000.00 (entertainment); Brown County 4-H Leaders Association @ \$5,350.00 (premiums); Korkow Rodeos LLC @ \$33,500.00 (rodeo stock); T & K Rentals @ \$14,729.00 (tent rental); Crossroad Station LLC @ \$3,000.00 (entertainment); Aberdeen Lions Club @ \$500.00 (gate control); SD Snow Queen @ \$1,000.00 (gate control); Marilyn Maloney, Stu Swenson, Ashley Smith, Marsha Braun @ \$30.00 each, JaNann Jones @ \$40.00, Adam Bierstedt, Brad Bennett, Lisa Fedeler @ \$100.00 each, Jeremy Geske @ \$150.00, Ethan Johnson @ \$275.00 (judges). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

SPECIAL MALT BEVERAGE LICENSE: Moved by Kippely, seconded by Sutton to approve and authorize the Chair sign application for a Special Malt Beverage License, submitted by A-Town Roller Girlz for special event to be held at the Expo Building on June 9, 2018, June 23, 2018 and September 8, 2018. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ORD 117- FIRST READING: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Hansen to approve First Reading of Ordinance #117, An Ordinance to amend Title 4 - Zoning, Second Revision Brown County Ordinances, to rezone the following described property from its present zoning designation of Chapter 4.06 (AG-P) Agricultural Preservation District to Chapter 4.07 (M-AG) Mini-Agricultural District: Lot 2 Schinkel Second Subdivision in the E 1/2 E 1/2 of Sec 35-T122N-R61W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (14187 and 14184 405th Ave). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ORD 118- FIRST READING: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Kippely to approve First Reading of Ordinance #117, An Ordinance to amend Title 4 - Zoning, Second Revision Brown County Ordinances, to rezone the following described property from its present zoning designation of Chapter 4.06 (AG-P) Agricultural Preservation District to Chapter 4.07 (M-AG) Mini-Agricultural District: Lots 1-4 & 7-8 of Camelot Subdivision and Lot 5 of Sperry First Subdivision of Camelot Subdivision in the SE 1/4 of Sec 19-T123N-R62W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (Sperry Lane Road). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ILLEGAL DUMPING: Ron Kramer met to explain that he had just recently moved to Aberdeen and apologized for dumping illegally at the Fairgrounds Dumpster Site.

EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Hansen to approve and authorize the Chair sign Contract with Wellmark Blue Cross and Blue Shield for employee health insurance coverage, effective July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019 (increasing family premium county match to 55% of base plan). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

JOINT ABERDEEN CITY/BROWN COUNTY JURISDICTION: Mr. and Mrs. Dustin Tople met to explain the difficulties they are having with stipulations within the three mile joint Aberdeen City/Brown County Planning & Zoning jurisdiction. The Commission recommended that they also meet with the Aberdeen City Council to explain the situation.

APPLICATION FOR OCCUPANCY: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Kippely to approve application, submitted by Northern Valley Communications for occupancy of Brown County Hwy #13W in Sec 33/4-T124/123N-R63W of the 5th P.M, Brown County, SD to provide telecommunication services. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Hansen to go into executive session to consult with attorney, per SDCL 1-25-2(3) with Chris White, Roland Henry (first year law student observing in Brown County) 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; requesting that Ag Land Assessment discussion be placed on the May 22, 2018 agenda in anticipation of response from the letter sent to the SD Department of Revenue.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Hansen to adjourn the Brown County Commission at 9:58 a.m. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor

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APRIL 30, 2018	GENERAL FUND	CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND	SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND	PENSION FUND	FOOD SERVICE FUND	DRIVERS FUND	UNEMP FUND	TRUST & AGENCY FUND
Beginning checking balance.....	\$267,015.10	\$394,410.08	\$374,997.57	\$42,560.83	(\$2,726.75)	\$275.09	\$19,090.52	\$66,880.18
Taxes.....	\$35,226.79	\$37,789.87	\$22,705.73	\$1.44				
Local Sources.....	\$159.40	\$164.00			\$3,455.05			\$8,576.77
Interest.....	\$45.16							
Federal & State.....	\$42,450.12		\$753.16		\$2,933.41			
Total Revenue.....	\$77,881.47	\$37,953.87	\$23,458.89	\$1.44	\$6,388.46			\$8,576.77
Disbursements								
Bills.....	\$16,442.95	\$3,004.05	\$2,308.04		\$3,383.73			\$7,553.57
Payroll.....	\$122,596.20		\$15,332.52		\$3,839.39			
Total Disbursements.....	\$139,039.15	\$3,004.05	\$17,640.56		\$7,223.12			\$7,553.57
Transfers								
Transfer-General to								
Food Svc.....	\$2,009.00				(\$2,009.00)			
Total Transfers.....	\$2,009.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		(\$2,009.00)			
Total checking balance.....	\$207,866.42	\$429,359.90	\$380,815.90	\$42,562.27	(\$5,570.41)	\$275.09	\$19,090.52	\$67,903.38
Beginning investment balance ...	\$348,383.34	\$1,140,429.40	\$456,175.05	\$45,189.23				
Interest.....	\$146.64							
Total investment balance.....	\$348,529.98	\$1,140,429.40	\$456,175.05	\$45,189.23				
Ending Fund Balance.....	\$556,396.40	\$1,569,789.30	\$836,990.95	\$87,751.50	(\$5,570.41)	\$275.09	\$19,090.52	\$67,903.38

Groton School
May 14, 2018
Meeting Minutes
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
OF BOARD OF EDUCATION
GROTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 06-6
REGULAR MEETING
May 14, 2018

President Steve Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the High School conference room. Members present: Fjelstad, Gengerke, Harder, Pharis, Rix, Smith, and Weismantel. Others present were Supt. J. Schwan, Principals B. Schwan and Sombke and Business Official Weber.

Moved by Weismantel, second Harder to approve the agenda with the following amendments: under New Business Item #11a. – approve 2018-19 GTA Negotiated Agreement and under New Business Item #22a – approve resignation of Renee Swisher. Motion carried.

There were no potential conflicts of interest reported.

Moved by Rix, second Fjelstad to approve the following consent agenda items as presented: District minutes of April 9, 23 and May 8; North Central Special Ed Coop items; transportation report, school lunch report, financial reports; agency accounts; investments; bills; and open enrollment applications #19-03 for a Jr. Kindergarten student from Northwestern Area, #19-04 for a Kindergarten student from Aberdeen, #19-05 for a Kindergarten student from Aberdeen, #19-06 for a Jr. Kindergarten student from Aberdeen, #19-07 for a Kindergarten student from Aberdeen, #19-08 for a Kindergarten student from Aberdeen, #19-09 for a student in grade 3 from Aberdeen, #19-10 for a student in grade 7 from Aberdeen and #19-11 for a Kindergarten student from Britton-Helca. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND: Net Salary – 180,542.65; FIT – 16,218.57; Medicare – 6,767.78; FICA – 28,938.26; American Funds – 771.70; Washington National – 98.40; SDRS – 29,365.98; Waddell & Reed – 1,903.90; Horace Mann – 1,111.61; Thrivent – 228.90; AFLAC – 2,909.77; Delta Dental – 4,621.80; SD Supplemental Retirement – 1,026.19; Wellmark – 62,818.00; Reliastar – 588.63; A&B Business – refills, 8.36; Aberdeen Awards – plaques, 8.50; Acme Tools – supplies, 119.44; Advanced Auto Parts – supplies, 68.81; Agency Fund – advanced pays, 31,168.35; Cole Papers – copy paper/supplies, 3,697.71; Dakota Autoglass – supplies, 35.25; Dakota Outdoors – weight room repairs, 1,314.50; Darrel's – tire repair, 127.80; Downie's Piano – tuning, 115.00; Far From Normal – supplies, 86.23; Farnam's – supplies, 42.48; Full Circle Ag – lube, 80.25; G & K Services – rug services, 564.96; Groton Area Schools – reimbursements, 288.60; Groton Daily Ind. – legals, 180.56; Joel Guthmiller – gas, 30.00; Harry Implement – mower belt, 31.48; Hillyards – supplies, 226.44; Janice Hoffman – supplies, 11.45; House of Glass – keys, 8.25; J.W. Pepper – music, 408.22; Jostens – pins, 62.46; Leidholdt Tool Sales – supplies, 133.70; Matheson Tri Glas – IA Supply, 49.99; Menards – tarp, 49.98; Julie Milbrandt – supplies, 48.88; MJ's – fuel/repair, 122.60; MSUM Boys Basketball Camps – team

camp, 200.00; NASSP (NHS) – dues, 385.00; Nelson Sales & Service – supplies, 160.65; Northside Implement – repairs, 1,441.93; Northwestern Energy – natural gas, 3,289.14; NSU – camp fee, 400.00; Otis Elevator Company – repairs, 915.21; Patios Plus – water risers, 674.93; Pfitzer Pest Control – service, 209.00; QQP – plaques, 60.00; SSSA – conference fee, 150.00; Sewer Duck – repairs, 160.45; Sheraton Sioux Falls – TIE lodging, 272.00; Cody Swanson – trophies/show choir supplies, 701.34; Taylor Music – reeds, supplies, 160.17; TIE – consultant, 1,200.00; Travelodge – rooms, 152.90. Total General Fund - \$387,535.11.

CAPITAL OUTLAY: Agency Fund – advanced pays, 1,534.78; Follett School Solutions – books, 924.86; John Deere Financial – mower drive, 992.02; Marco – copier lease, 2,376.79. Total Capital Outlay - \$5,828.45.

SPECIAL ED: Net Salary – 27,192.74; FIT – 2,235.88; Medicare – 1,016.56; FICA – 4,346.84; SDRS – 4,714.84; Waddell & Reed – 250.00; AFLAC – 730.91; Delta Dental – 983.10; SD Supplemental Retirement – 50.00; Wellmark – 11,841.00; Reliastar – 233.25; Agency Funds – advanced pays, 211.03; Avera St Luke's – PT/OT, 9,647.00; Rebecca Erickson – student incentives, 24.57; Janice Hoffman – grant supplies, 9.88; Molly Ringgenberg – supplies, 26.91; Judy or Gene Williamson – mileage, 564.48. Total Special Ed - \$64,078.99.

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND: Gemini Acoustical – elementary remodel project work, 9,481.00. Total Capital Projects – \$9,481.00.

ENTERPRISE: Food Service: Net Salary – 7,311.47; FIT – 348.68; Medicare – 250.72; FICA – 1,072.10; SDRS – 648.48; AFLAC – 151.45; Wellmark – 1,526.00; Reliastar – 1.30; Agency Funds – advanced pays, 78.24; Cintas Corp – apron service, 77.01; CWD – food, paper products, 3,395.38; Dean Foods – milk, 1,216.87; Earthgrains – food, 187.85; G & K Services – apron, towel service, 234.72; Reinharts – food, paper products, 4,568.85; US Foods – food, paper products, 3,254.08. Total Food Service - \$24,323.20. OST: Net Salary – 1,868.24; FIT – 102.38; Medicare – 65.72; FICA – 281.10; SDRS – 216.00; AFLAC – 163.93; Wellmark – 671.00; Reliastar – 15.44; Agency Funds – advanced pays, 541.64; Groton Ford – repairs, 97.15. Total Enterprise - \$4,022.60.

AGENCY FUND: Total - \$61,608.59.
RECEIPTS: Local Sources, Taxes – 157,422.86; Other Local Sources – 107,813.04; County Sources – 3,674.02; State Sources – 2,061.00; Federal Sources – 5,909.69. Total Receipts - \$276,880.61.

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.

There were no school board committee reports given.

Superintendent Schwan presented a list of Managed Print/Copy Proposals. Moved by Harder, second Weismantel to approve the 5-year proposal for total fleet replacement from A&B Business for \$96,513.60. Motion carried.

The following items were

discussed in administrative reports: ESSA, state report card, open staff positions, elementary project update, in-service, track and field day and elementary PAC Carnival on May 18th, 5th grade visitation to the middle school, dual credit meeting, cheerleader try-outs, all-school play presentation, show choir auditions, state track meet and van surplus sealed bids.

Business Manager Weber presented the FY19 District and NCSEC Preliminary Budgets in accordance with SDCL 13-11-12. No action was taken.

Superintendent Schwan presented options to amend the 2018-19 school calendar to address conflicts between the dates for Prom and ACT testing. No action was taken.

The board held first reading of additions and amendments to Policies AC - Nondiscrimination, BDDC - Agenda Preparation and Dissemination, EFC - Meal Charges, GBL - Personnel Records, GCBBDD - Military Leave of Absence, IGBC - Limited English Proficiency Instruction, JEAA - Students Alternative Instruction, JGB - Restraint and Seclusion, JGB-E(1) - Restraint and Seclusion Incident Report, JGB-E(2) - Restraint and Seclusion Debriefing, JOA-E(2) - Student Directory Opt Out, KMB - Title I Parental Involvement and KMC - Annual Notification of Parents.

The board held first reading of recommended changes to the OST handbook.

Moved by Harder, second Gengerke to approve NCSEC Agreement for 2018-19. Motion carried.

Moved by Weismantel, second Fjelstad to approve 2018-19 ASBSD Protective Trust Agreement for Health Insurance. Motion carried.

Moved by Weismantel, second Fjelstad to approve 2018-19 ASBSD Protective Trust Agreement for Worker's Compensation. Motion carried.

Moved by Rix, second Weismantel to cast ballot for SDHSAA Division IV Representative for Craig Cassens of Faulkton. Motion carried.

Moved by Fjelstad, second Gengerke to cast ballot for SDHSAA Large School Group Board of Education Representative for Dr. Paul Turman of Pierre. Motion carried.

Moved by Harder, second Gengerke to cast ballot for SDHSAA Division III Representative for Dr. Jerry Rasmussen of Dakota Valley. Motion carried.

Moved by Weismantel, second Pharis to cast ballot for SDHSAA Constitutional Amendment #1 as YES. Motion carried.

Moved by Gengerke, second to defer action on 2018-19 GTA Negotiated Agreement until after executive session. Motion died for a lack of a second.

Moved by Harder, second Rix to approve 2018-19 GTA Negotiated Agreement. Motion carries 6-1 with Gengerke voting no.

Moved by Weismantel, second Rix to issue certified staff contracts for 2018-19 with return date of May 25, 2018. Motion carried.

Moved by Gengerke, second Pharis to hire Melissa Hill as MS/HS Special Education Teacher for 2018-19 with salary to be published in July. Motion carried.

Moved by Weismantel, second Harder to hire Brenda Madsen

as Senior Class Advisor for the 2018-19 school year with salary to be published in July. Motion carried.

Moved by Weismantel, second Pharis to hire Joe Schwan as Athletic Director for the 2018-19 school year with salary to be published in July. Motion carried.

Moved by Harder, second Rix to hire Chris Kucker as Girls Soccer Coach for the 2018-19 school year with salary to be published in July. Motion carried.

Moved by Gengerke, second Fjelstad to approve work agreements for summer employees Rita Kampa, Brandon Clocksene, Shyla Larson and Tyler Iverson with salary to be published in July. Motion carried.

Moved by Fjelstad, second Pharis to approve Summer School agreements for Julie Milbrandt and Ann Gibbs and Special Education Extended School Year agreements for Joni Groeblichhoff and Jill Krueger with salaries to be published in July. Motion carried 6-0 with Gengerke abstaining.

Moved by Harder, second Rix to approve resignation of Pernel Graf, custodian, effective May 18, 2018. Motion carried.

Moved by Fjelstad, second Weismantel to approve resignation of Don Donley as Yearbook Advisor assuming a suitable replacement can be found. Motion carried.

Moved by Gengerke, second Pharis to approve resignation/retirement of Jane Kroll, 2nd grade teacher, effective at the end of the 2017-18 school year. Motion carried.

Moved by Harder, second Weismantel to approve resignation/retirement of Renee Swisher, Kindergarten teacher, effective at the end of the 2017-18 school year. Motion carried.

Smith declared a short recess at 9:13 pm. Smith declared the board back in session. Moved by Weismantel, second Rix to go into executive session at 9:22 pm pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(4) for negotiations. Motion carried.

Smith declared the board out of executive session at 10:20 pm.

Moved by Fjelstad, second Pharis to adjourn.

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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Westport Town
May 7, 2018
Meeting Minutes

Town of Westport General Meeting
May 7th, 2018

The Town of Westport met on May 7th, 2018 with Tim Selzler, Shane Storm, Mike Wilson and Doreen Hertel present.

The following expenses were presented:

City General NWPS (\$554.45), Groton Independent (\$242.25), B & B contracting – snow removal (\$290.00), Runnings (\$211.45) & USPS- Mailbox rent (\$72.00).

Sewer NWPS (\$47.49) & NRWA –loan repayment (\$210.13)

Water WEB (\$983.25), Dept. of Revenue (\$15.00), Water Maintenance District (\$321.43).

Mike Wilson made motion to pay all bills; second by Shane

Storm.
The following deposits were presented:
City General State of SD (\$424.77) & Interest (\$26.23).
Sewer Resident Payments - (\$1,600.00).
Water Resident Payments - (\$2,837.71).
NEW BUSINESS:
Discussion was held on finding a person to mow for the city.
No new business
Doreen Hertel, Finance Officer
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JVT
Notice of
Annual Meeting

NOTICE OF 62nd ANNUAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the 62nd Annual Meeting of the members of James Valley Cooperative Telephone Company, will be held at the Groton High School Arena in Groton, South Dakota on Thursday, June 7, 2018 at 12:30pm, with registration beginning at 11:30am.

The meeting is called pursuant to the cooperative's bylaws for the following purposes:

1. To receive and act upon reports of the officers and management of the cooperative for the previous year's operations.
2. To elect two directors for terms of three years.
3. To act upon any other business that may properly come before the meeting.

By order of the Board of Directors.

Dated: 12/27/2017
Roger Zastrow, Secretary
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Brown County
Notice of

Primary Election
NOTICE OF PRIMARY ELECTION

A Primary Election will be held on Tuesday, June 5, 2018, in all the Vote Centers in Brown County. The election Vote Centers will be open from seven a.m. to seven p.m. central daylight savings time on the day of the election.

No longer are voters required to vote within precinct jurisdictions. Voters can cast ballots at any of the following Vote Centers in Brown County:

1-1. AmericInn Event Center, 301 Centennial St S, Aberdeen, SD

1-2 Best Western Ramkota Hotel and Convention Center, 1400 8th Ave NW, Aberdeen ... SD (north convention center entrance)

1-3 Courthouse Community Room, 25 Market Street, Aberdeen SD

1-4 Columbia Legion, 102 N Broadway, Columbia SD
1-5 Westport Town Hall, 13 W Main, Westport, SD

1-6 Warner Community Center, 11 W Main Street, Warner SD

1-7 Stratford Community Center, 293 E Rondell Ave, Stratford SD

1-8 Groton Community Center, 109 N 3rd Street, Groton SD

1-9 ... Claremont Fire Station, 505 6th Street, Claremont SD

1-10 Hecla Community Center, 206 Main Street, Hecla SD

1-11 Frederick Community Center, 2nd Ave, Frederick SD

Any voter who needs assistance, pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, may contact the county auditor at 605-626-7110 before the election for information on polling place accessibility for people with disabilities.

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor

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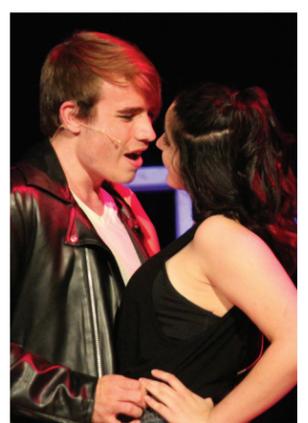
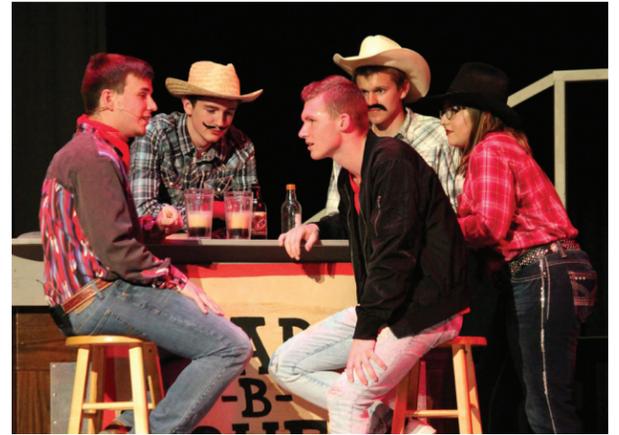
Groton City Council

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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				80,000.00						
3. Revenue to date	2,867,440.84	0.00	617,016.64	472,884.96	175.34	114,843.20	0.00	242,023.30	755,261.81	5,069,646.09
4. Total accounted for	4,262,829.33	32,052.21	1,420,030.39	628,161.88	175.34	271,081.09	5,966,248.07	304,496.37	987,381.82	13,872,456.50
5. Transfers out	80,000.00									
6. Expenditures to date	3,727,717.18	0.00	1,160,473.39	598,266.06	0.00	197,166.25	4,522,644.26	266,798.21	791,991.52	11,265,056.87
a. encumbrances	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
b. disbursements	3,727,717.18	0.00	1,160,473.39	598,266.06	0.00	197,166.25	4,522,644.26	266,798.21	791,991.52	11,265,056.87
7. Ending Balance	455,112.15	32,052.21	259,557.00	29,895.82	175.34	73,914.84	1,443,603.81	37,698.16	195,590.30	2,527,599.63
a. checking	455,112.15	32,052.21	259,557.00	29,895.82	175.34	73,914.84	1,443,603.81	37,698.16	195,590.30	2,527,399.63
b. petty cash	(0.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	200.00
April Receipts	89,162.76	0.00	47,492.26	28,605.87	4.36	5,758.08	0.00	20,211.33	85,645.95	276,880.61
April Expenses	403,024.78	0.00	11,644.52	63,328.72	0.00	0.00	62,675.66	30,776.38	61,608.59	633,058.65
Agency Checking	195,390.30									
District Checking	2,332,009.33									
Certificate of Deposit	0.00									
Agency Cash on Hand	200.00									
Total all Funds	2,527,599.63									



The All School Play, "Footloose" was performed Tuesday evening at the GHS Gym. Here are some photos from the play as taken by Melodee Lane.



Trinity Church Open House is Sunday

The Groton Community Historical Society ("GCHS") will host a fund-raising open house at the Historic Trinity Church Sunday, May 27, from noon to 5 pm, with a free lunch provided by Thrivent Financial during those hours. The event will feature a concert of music played on the church's original pump organ by Sue Gates, Director of the Dacotah Prairie Museum, at 3 pm..

GCHS has been conducting a fund drive since January 2018 to raise the \$25,000 needed to match a grant to re-roof the church. The purpose of the open house event is to raise the final funds needed to apply for the grant by the June 1 deadline. May is also National Historic Preservation Month, when citizens are encouraged to take an interest in special locations and consider how to preserve those special places for future generations.

Groton's Trinity Church, built in 1884 and listed on the National Register of Historic Places, is one of those special places. It is the lone survivor of 153 similar churches that existed in South Dakota in 1890, all of which were built from plans by a world-famous architect who also designed the Trinity Church on Wall Street in New York City. The Open House will give local residents an opportunity to tour and learn about this historical gem, and to help support its preservation.

Generous donations have been received from local civic groups and businesses, including \$3,000 from the Brown County Historical Society; \$1,000 from the Groton Lions Club; \$500 from The Groton Chamber of Commerce; and \$500 from James Valley Telecommunications. Additionally, numerous donations ranging from \$10 to \$1,000 have been received from individuals. Donors from as far away as Alaska and North Carolina who read about the church fund drive in various South Dakota newspapers, US News and World Report, the National Episcopal News Service and the Christian Post, have contributed to the roofing fund.



Topper Tastad, Groton Community Historical Society President, puts the finishing touch on new shingles worked up under the old shingles to cover 4-inch holes in the roof of the Historic Trinity Church until the roof can be replaced. A fund-raising open house will be held at the church Sunday, May 27, to raise money for re-roofing the church. (Courtesy Photo)



90th Birthday

LaVonne J. Helmer of Groton will be honored for her 90th birthday on May 27th from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Groton Community Center. Her family will host the event.

Thrivent, in addition to providing the open house lunch, named GCHS as one of the nonprofit groups to which its Choice Dollars

may be directed. The Historical Society appreciates each and every one of these donations, and hopes that those who attend the open house will help push the total over the amount required to apply for the grant. Members of the Society will be present at the open house with information about the church and its need for a new roof.

The church is located at the intersection of 3rd Street and 3rd Avenue near downtown Groton.

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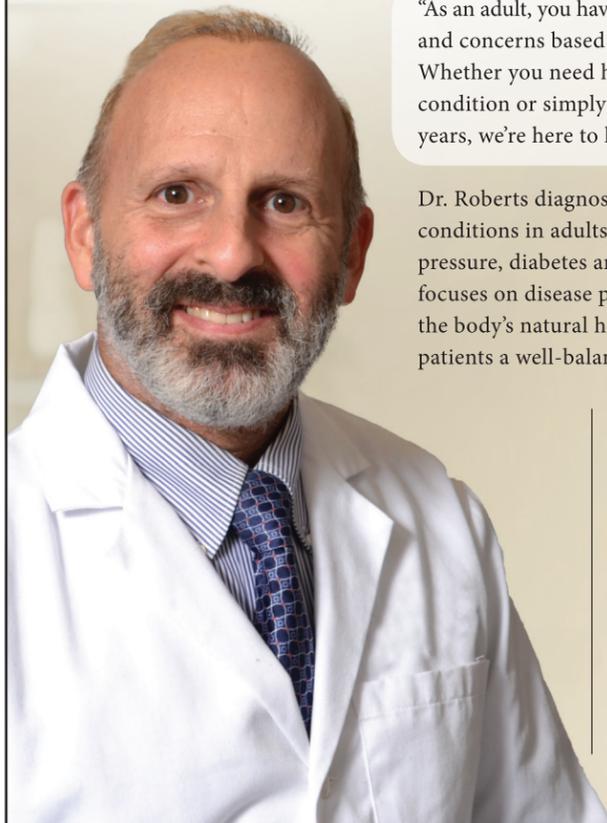
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