



Groton Red U12 Wins Saturday's Round Robin U12-Back-Coach Jared Fliehs, Caden McInerney, Ryan Groeblichhoff, Colby Dunker, Braden Althoff, Kaleb Antonsen, Jacob Zak, Coach Craig Dunker. Front-Brevin Fliehs, Christian Ehresmann, Korbin Kucker, Braxton Imrie, Lane Tietz, Teylor Diegel. (Photos courtesy of Groton Baseball/Softball Foundation Facebook page)



Groton Blue U10 Wins Saturday's Round Robin U10-Coaches Matt Groeblichhoff and Eric Moody (not pictured Pat Krause) Back-Gavin Englund, Ryder Johnson, Carter Simon, Karter Moody, Ben Hoeft, Keegan Tracy, Jarrett Erdmann, Karsten Fliehs. Front-Kellen Antonsen, Keegan Harry, Blake Lord, Isaiah Scepaniak, Gavin Kroll, Brody Lord, Nicholas Groeblichhoff, JD Schwan, Lincoln Krause. (Photos courtesy of Groton Baseball/Softball Foundation Facebook page)

Yards of the Week



Week of June 24: The Alan Strom and Shelly Lerew home at 402 E. 16th Ave. has been chosen by the members of the Groton Garden Club as this week's Yard of the Week. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



Week of June 17: The members of the Groton Garden Club have chosen the Tom and Patti Woods home at 406 N Main as this week's Yard of the Week. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



Week of June 10: The Ryan and Jennifer Schelle yard at 902 N. Sixth Street has been chosen as the first Yard of the Week by the Groton Garden Club. (Photo by Paul Kosel)

IN THE AMOUNT OF \$130,000 FOR THE CALENDAR YEARS 2008 - 2027 WITH TAXES PAYABLE IN THE CALENDAR YEARS 2009-2028.

Another 10 years of pool payments

For some reason, everyone was led to believe that this was going to be the last year of the pool opt-out. The auditors discovered that the city has another 10 years to go on the opt out.

To get proof, research was done in the Groton Independent archives and indeed, the above image was taken off the sample ballot published in the paper. It shows that another 10 years of pool payments will need to be made.

The council will have the option to discontinue the opt-out or to keep it going for the remainder of the 10 years.

Farmer Protests impacting year-end school balances

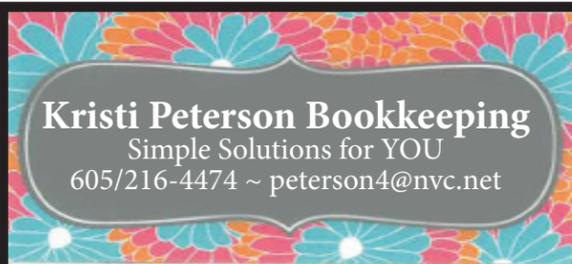
The recent dispute between the farmers and Brown County is now having an impact on county schools who receive their funding from property taxes. The county has \$2.4 million sitting in a trust fund right now that cannot be distributed to the schools. Groton Area School Business Manager Mike Weber said that the Groton district has under-collected, at his best guess, around \$350,000. It is the ending balances as of June 30th that has to be reported to the state. Weber said that he is concerned about the fund balances, especially since the next major influx of cash will not be until November.

Weber also talked about the half-cent sales tax that is designated for education in reference to the recent supreme court case. This is in reference to the state collecting sales tax from on-line companies. He said the way the law is written, part of half-cent tax could be rolled back. Weber also made mention of the article appearing in the Groton Daily Independent about the city pool opt-out tax. It was originally suppose to be 10 years; however, it is currently set up for 20 years. "We had some false information when we had our building project discussions," Weber said.

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 77- Toni Gisi and Amy Kessler
 79- Carmen Meyer and Cindy Kraft
 82- Suzie Easthouse and Angel McGregor
 84- Ellen Rener and Terri Holm
 84- Brenda Waage and Sue Stanley

First Flight
 83- Renae Ball and Betty Dunker
 88- Judy Thompson and Julie Flihs
 91- Sandy Peters and Karen Roehr
 94- Mary Blackmun and Julie Hinds
 94- Arlys Kluess and Diane Easthouse
 102- Jeanne Wanous and Marcy Harder
 103- Arlowynn Spencer and Mel Eikamp

Closest to Pin #4: Amy Kessler
Longest Drive #7: Cyndi Larson
Longest Putt #9: Sandy Peters



Champions Sharon Zastrow. Cindy Larson. (Photo by Sue Stanley)



Second place, Championship Flight: Toni Gisi. Amy Kessler. (Photo by Sue Stanley)



1st flight winners: Betty Dunker. Renae Ball. (Photo by Sue Stanley)



Second place, First Flight: Judy Thompson. Julie Flihs. (Photo by Sue Stanley)

50th Wedding Anniversary

Ed and Connie Stauch will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Sunday, July 1st, 2018 with an open house at the Groton Community Center from 2pm - 4pm.
 The event will be hosted by their children, Deborah and Barbara and their families.
 The couple was married July 6th, 1968 in Groton, SD.
 The couple requests no gifts.



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Weekly Vikings Roundup

By Jordan Wright

Since it's the offseason and there isn't a lot of news coming out about the Minnesota Vikings, we're going through the roster with a breakdown of each position. Today we cover the offensive line, which will be the final breakdown of the offensive side of the ball.

The offensive line has been the Achilles heel for the Vikings for many years now. The team spent a lot of money to bring in new pieces last offseason, and while the results were better than previous seasons, the unit as a whole needs to be better if the team wants to hoist the Lombardi Trophy. In March, Pro Football Focus ranked the offensive lines around the NFL from the 2017 season, and the Vikings ranked 22nd. The article mentioned that although the Vikings allowed the third-fewest sacks last year (11), that was mostly due to Case Keenum's ability to avoid sacks rather than the offensive line actually being a good blocking unit.

Projected Starters

The Vikings spent big money on Riley Reiff last offseason, and he will undoubtedly get another chance to protect the quarterback's blindside at left tackle. Reiff, a former first-round pick, was ranked 59th out of all qualifying tackles with a grade of 48.6 according to PFF.

The Vikings will likely start Nick Easton at left guard again. Easton started 12 games last season but ended the year on injured reserves after undergoing ankle surgery. He was given a player grade of 41.5 by PFF, ranking him as the 58th best guard in the NFL last year.

Entering his second year, Pat Elflein will once again be the starting center for the Vikings. Elflein only missed two games last year after being drafted in the third round. He was ranked by PFF as the 31st best center in the NFL with a player grade of 43.2. Although he had several highlight plays last year, there were too many times he missed an assignment or whiffed on his block. He will need to take a big step forward this season, but he has the tools to make that happen.

Right guard is really the only position that is an unknown at this point. My money is on Mike Remmers, who was signed by the Vikings to play right tackle but ended up moving to guard during the season. Although he was graded as a tackle because he played more snaps there than at guard, Remmers finished the season with a 69.6 player grade, easily the best of any Vikings' offensive lineman.

If Remmers wins the starting guard spot, Rashod Hill will likely be the team's starting right tackle for 2018. Hill started seven games at tackle last season and finished with a player grade of 43.6, ranking him as the 68th best tackle in the NFL. The Vikings think Hill has potential to be

a solid tackle, we just have to hope he realizes that potential sooner rather than later.

The Vikings have 16 offensive linemen on the current roster, but they will likely cut that number down to eight or nine entering the regular season. That leaves 11 players battling it out for the remaining three or four roster spots, creating the most important training camp battles for the team heading into the new season.

Josh Andrews – guard/center. Andrews was on the Eagles practice squad since 2014 before the Vikings signed him this offseason. Making the team will be a tall task for Andrews.

Aviante Collins – guard. Collins was an undrafted player who the Vikings signed last year. He appeared in three games last season, so the Vikings obviously like what they see in him. He is a strong practice squad candidate.

Tom Compton – guard. Compton was signed by the Vikings



this offseason to fill Joe Berger's role as the utility player who can be plugged in where needed. Compton has an inside track to a roster spot.

Cornelius Edison – center. He bounced around practice squads the last couple years, and will be hard pressed to make the team this year with so much competition.

Chris Gonzalez – guard. He was an undrafted rookie who was brought in to compete for a practice squad spot. I have to assume he will be hard-pressed to make the roster.

Colby Gossett – guard. The Vikings drafted him in the sixth-round of the most recent draft. He has the size and strength to become a good offensive lineman but will need to really work on his technique. The Vikings will likely try to stash him on the PS.

Danny Isidora – guard. A fifth-round pick by the Vikings in 2017, Isidora played in seven games and started one last year. He will be in contention for a spot on the Vikings' final 53-man roster.

Dieugot Joseph – tackle. Joseph is a former defensive end who switched to offensive tackle at Florida International University. He has potential but needs lots of work on his technique. He could be a practice squad candidate.

Cedrick Lang – tackle. Lang was a tight end in college but moved to offensive tackle in order to make it in the NFL. He has bounced around practice squads since entering the league in 2016, but likely won't be offered a spot on the Vikings' PS.

Storm Norton – tackle. Norton, like a lot of players on this list, has bounced around NFL practice squads since entering the league in 2017 as an undrafted rookie. The 53-man roster is unlikely but the PS remains a possibility.

Brian O'Neill – tackle. He was drafted by the Vikings in the second-round, so he will be given every chance to make the final roster. He needs to improve his strength and fix some technique issues, so he probably won't see the field this year.

Don't miss next week's article, where we shift the focus to the defensive side of the ball! Skol!

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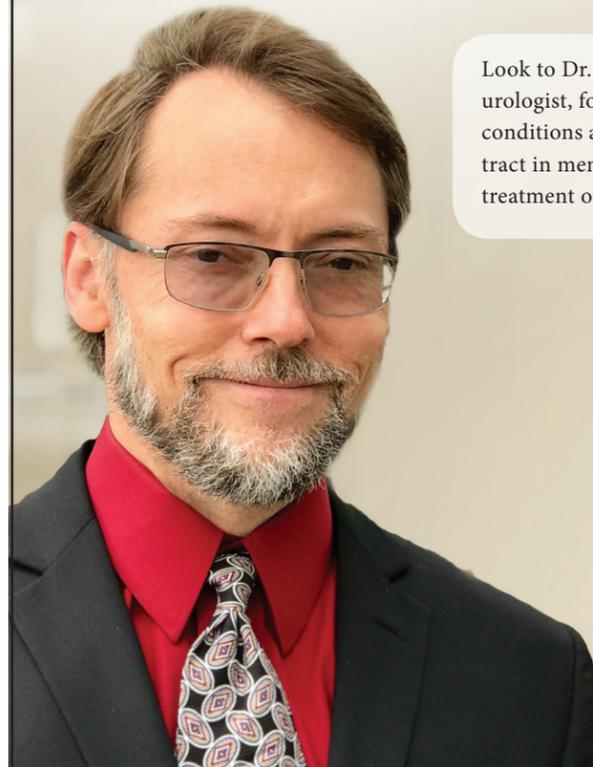
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June 19**

Meeting Minutes

JUNE 19, 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 Kippley. Commissioner Hansen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Congratulations were extended to Jeannette McClain for receiving her United States Citizen Certification at the Naturalization Ceremony held at Mount Rushmore on June 14, 2018.

MINUTES: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Fischbach to approve the General Meeting Minutes of June 12, 2018. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

CLAIMS: Moved by Kippley, seconded by Hansen to approve the following claims, withdrawing a medical claim for further review:

Professional Fees: Bantz, Gosch & Cremer LLC \$8,318.81; Certified Languages International \$1,608.75; Dohrer Law Office \$385.40; Elections Systems & Software \$2,323.75; Language Line Services \$190.12; Lewis & Clark BHS \$640.00; Lutheran Social Services \$344.88; NE Mental Health Center \$988.00; Northern Valley Communications \$1,199.50; Richardson, Wyly, Wise, Sauck \$1,836.90; SD Dept of Revenue & Regulation \$797,360.22; SD Humanities Council \$50.00; Siegel, Barnett & Schutz \$1,729.60; Taliarfero Law Firm \$10,960.90; WSP USA Inc. \$31,342.25; Yankton County Sheriff \$50.00.

Publishing: Aberdeen American News \$3,522.37; Western Hotel Supply \$796.80.

Rentals: Praxair Distribution \$23.65; Roland L Moerke \$1,051.70.

Repairs & Maintenance: Aberdeen Area Radiator \$110.00; Cintas Corp \$298.00; Roland L Moerke \$2,509.60; Diamond Mowers \$59.85; Lien Transportation \$551.02; Midwest Pump & Tank \$245.82; Jasper Weller LLC \$110.00.

Supplies: Praxair Distribution \$276.05; Aberdeen Area Radiator \$5,255.00; Aqtegra Coop \$3,546.61; Cash-Wa Distributing \$6,215.18; Century Business Products \$935.20; CAN Surety \$50.00; Danko \$30.33; Diamond Mowers Inc \$1,040.62; Farm Power MFG \$1,475.13; Galls \$1,301.85; Govconnection Inc \$455.74; Jebro Inc. \$37,167.82; Kesslers \$193.46; L.G. Everist \$2,756.30; Menards \$163.80; NACVSO \$80.00; North Star Energy \$72.00; Northern Valley Communications \$26.11; Pharmchem \$171.30; Runnings \$36.54; SD Veterans Service Officers Assoc \$100.00; Ultramax \$1,220.00; John Weig \$833.90; Jasper Weller LLC \$3,805.10; West Payment Center \$1,733.34.

Travel & Conference: Sheila Enderson \$29.14; Lynn Heupel \$154.16; SD Veterans Service Officers Assoc \$25.00.

Utilities: City of Aberdeen \$590.02; Qwest Corp \$1,257.80; City of Hecla \$146.80; James Valley Telecommunication \$215.50; Northern Electric Coop \$1,059.19; Northwestern Energy \$415.58; Northern Valley Communications \$3,511.73; Verizon Wireless \$3,449.53.

Other: Brown County Treasurer \$480.00; James River Account \$20,622.82. 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:

- Acknowledge the following resignations: Thersia Cox, effective June 12; Carlos Santiago, effective June 4; Charlie Tveit, effective June 13, 2018; and further approve request to fill vacancies.

- Approve hiring Amanda Aragon, full-time Deputy Treasurer, effective June 25, 2018 at \$15.14 per hour; and Lori Goldade, part-time Deputy Treasurer, effective June 25, 2018 at \$15.41 per hour; Fadia Champlain, part-time JDC Correctional Officer, effective June 19, 2018 at \$13.69 per hour.

All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

SPECIAL MALT BEVERAGE/WINE LICENSE: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Kippley to approve and authorize the Chair sign the following Special Malt Beverage/Wine License Application: Aberdeen Hockey Association - Brown County Fairgrounds (Clubhouse/Beer Garden) SW ¼ Sec 1-T123N-R64W, effective August 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18 & 19, 2018 (map indicating specific area licensed on file with applications). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

LEASE AGREEMENTS: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Kippley to approve and authorize the Chair sign the following agreements: Aberdeen Downtown Association for lease of the W ½ of Parking Lot North of Museum (Concert Series) on June 14, July 12, Aug 9 and Aug 25, 2018; Aberdeen Downtown Association for lease of trailer with 40 corral panels for Concert Series on June 14, July 12, Aug 9 and Aug 25, 2018. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

SHERIFF REPORTS: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fischbach to approve the following May 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 Sutton, seconded by Kippley to approve and authorize the Chair sign the following contracts for the 2018 Brown County Fair: Pop Evil @ \$15,000.00 (entertainment); John King @ \$7,500.00 (entertainment); Angie's Clean ALL at \$5,500.00 (sanitation); Hub Area Habitat for Humanity @ \$1,000.00 (gate security); Bob & the Beachcombers @ \$3,000.00 (entertainment); Robby Vee @ \$3,000.00 (entertainment) RodeoReady LLC @ \$425.00 (photography); Keyli Sawatzky, Courtney Wolff @ \$30.00 each, Janet Elsen, Amy Fischer, Joy Braun, Rick Dias, Karin Porter Bartell, Florence Kraus, Cindy Schnabel, Duane Jark, Renita Kainz @ \$40.00 each, DJ Falkerts @ \$100.00, Aaron & McKenna Cech, Brian Schermerhorn, Taylor Friesz, Russ Thyen, Robert Kramer @ \$150.00 each (judges). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ABATEMENTS: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Fischbach to approve and authorize the Chairman sign the following Abate-ments: Ryan Fair @ \$292.23; Robyn Sporhase @ \$193.42 (Groton Curb Assessment paid directly to Groton City). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ORD 119 – ADOPTION: Moved by Kippley, seconded by Fischbach to adopt Ordinance #119, 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: N ½ of Levey's Outlot 1 in the SE ¼ of Sec 24-T123N-R65W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD. (13351 382nd Ave). Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-aye, Sutton-aye, Fischbach-aye, Kippley-aye, Fjeldheim-aye. Ordinance adopted.

SPECIAL EVENT LIQUOR LICENSE HEARING: Time and place, as advertised to consider application for Special Event Liquor License Application. Moved by Kippley, seconded by Sutton to approve and authorize the Chair sign Special Liquor License Application, submitted by Stacy Gossman DBA Big Fella's for event for Stutsman Harley Davison Grand Opening to be held at 717 385th Ave S, described as Lot 1 Browning 1st Addition, NW ¼ Sec 22-T123-R64W of the 5th P.M., (Lot 1 Great Plains Ag Addition and Winters Outlot 1), Brown County, SD (717 385th Ave S). Special License effective June 23, 2018. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ROAD DISCUSSION: Lee Zacher, area resident discussed

the condition of a portion of 385th Ave between 130th Street and 131st Street, Aberdeen Township. Mr. Zacher was advised to meet with the Aberdeen Township Officials.

SA BUDGET DISCUSSION: States Attorney Chris White met to answer any questions in regard to the States Attorney Department 2019 Budget request.

OATH OF OFFICE: Gene Loeschke was official sworn in by Chair Fjeldheim as the Brown County Director of Equalization.

BUILDING PURCHASE/SALE: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Sutton to authorize the Chair sign lease to own purchase agreement (\$2500.00 earnest money) for property at 122 S 1st Street (Lots 5-6 Block 15, OP to the City of Aberdeen) in total amount of \$800,000.00, with \$170,000.00 down payment in 2018 and \$210,000.00 per year in 2019, 2020 and 2021 (3% interest). Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-aye, Sutton-aye, Fischbach-aye, Kippley-aye, Fjeldheim-aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Sutton, seconded by Kippley to sell the Millim Office Building located at 1019 1st Ave NE if purchase agreement accepted. Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-aye, Sutton-aye, Fischbach-aye, Kippley-aye, Fjeldheim-aye. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved by Kippley, seconded by Hansen to go into executive session to discuss contractual matters and to consult with legal counsel, per SDCL 1-25-2(3) with Chris White and Gary Vetter in attendance. The Chair declared the executive session closed, with the following action taken as a result of the discussion: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Sutton to contact bonding company for a \$100,000.00 Bond covering the Director of Equalization; and also stated the States Attorney is drafting answer to lawsuits in regard to the Ag Land Assessments. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Hansen to adjourn the Brown County Commission at 11:15 a.m. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor

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Columbia Memorial Day Program

Columbia held its Memorial Day Service on May 28, 2018, at the Columbia Legion Hall.

The program started with the "Presentation of Colors." The welcome was given by Cara Dennert. Christine Davis had the "Invocation" and "Flag Pledge."

The American Legion Auxiliary invited this year's fifth grade poetry winners, Christian Ehresmann and Alicia Davis, to read their poems.

Guest speaker was Michael Herman, retired Army Colonel and Executive Director of the Boys and Girls Club in Aberdeen.

Kalee Dennert read the names for the Ceremony of the Cross," while Alicia Davis, Lilly Davis and Wyatt Hagen turned on the light bulbs, recognizing each name read.

The program ended with the "Benediction" and the "Retiring of the Colors" with the playing of "Taps."

The Columbia Legion also went to Bath Cemetery, Westport Cemetery, Houghton Cemetery, Columbia Lutheran Cemetery, Columbia Catholic Cemetery and Columbia City Cemetery. There, they put out white crosses, flags, did the gun salute and played "Taps" to honor all the veterans.

A potluck meal and visiting ended the service at the Columbia Legion Hall.

- Pam Davis



Wyatt Hagen, Lilly Davis, & Alicia Davis turned on the bulbs for the "Ceremony of the Cross" A bulb was lit for each name read as we honored those who served. (Courtesy photo)

South Dakota Fire Departments Awarded Almost \$250,000 in Grant Funding

Rapid City, S.D. - The South Dakota Department of Agriculture's Wildland Fire Division has awarded almost \$250,000 in grant funds to volunteer fire departments across the state for the state's 2018 fiscal year.

The purpose of the Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) program is to provide federal financial, technical and other assistance to state foresters and other appropriate officials to organize, train and equip fire departments in rural areas and rural communities to prevent and suppress fires. A rural community is defined as having a population of 10,000 or less.

A scoring process is used to rate each application. Factors considered include annual budget, protection area size, training attendance and number of certified personnel.

"This year, we received more than 80 applications for assistance totaling over \$680,000 in project costs," said assistant chief Jim Burk. "Available funding this year allowed us to award \$241,000 towards 66 department projects with a total value of over \$572,000. Most project awards will be used for personal protective and communications equipment, with the remainder of awards going towards other equipment.

"Many of the departments in South Dakota have annual budgets of \$10,000 or less. This can make it difficult for them to maintain or upgrade equipment and provide for necessary training," said Burk. "The VFA program helps recipients acquire needed equipment or training to provide fire protection safely and efficiently to their communities."

Local fire departments receiving grants are: Aberdeen Rural Fire Protection District, PPE, Cost is \$6,195, grant amount of \$3,097.50

Claremont Fire Protection District: PPE, Equipment, Cost is \$4,357, grant amount of \$2,178.50.

Columbia Rural: Communications and equipment, Cost is \$7,855, grant amount of \$3,927.50.

Groton Fire District: PPE, Comms, Equipment, Cost is \$8,016.80, grant amount of \$4,000.



Christian Ehresmann (not pictured) & Alicia Davis -5th grade were Poetry Winners for the Columbia American Legion. Michael Herman- Guest Speaker & Retired Army Colonel & Executive Director of Boys & Girls Club at the Columbia Memorial Day Program. (Courtesy photo)

Hecla Fire Protection District: Comms, PPE, Cost is \$4,300, grant amount of \$2,150.

Ipswich Volunteer Fire District: PPE, Cost is \$9,240, grant amount of \$4,000.

Leola Volunteer Fire District: Equipment, Cost is \$5,981.88, grant amount of \$2,990.90.

Pierpont Volunteer Fire District: Equipment, Cost is \$8,130, grant amount of \$4,000.

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**Groton School
June 11**

**Meeting Minutes
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
OF BOARD OF EDUCATION
GROTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 06-6
REGULAR MEETING
June 11, 2018**

Vice-President Weismantel called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the High School Conference Room. Members present: Fjelstad, Gengerke, Harder, Pharis, Rix, and Weismantel. Absent Smith. Others present were Supt. J. Schwan, Principals B. Schwan and Sombke and Business Manager Weber.

Moved by Harder, second Rix to approve the agenda with the following amendments: under New Business Item #12a - approve lane change for Shaun Wanner and under New Business #15a - approve open enrollment #19-03. Motion carried.

There were no potential conflicts of interest reported.

Moved by Rix, second Fjelstad to approve the following consent agenda items as presented: North Central Special Ed Coop school of record agenda items, District minutes of May 14 and special meeting minutes of May 29, bills, financial reports, agency, school lunch report, transportation report, 2018-19 energy quote requests, 2018-19 newspaper quote requests and publication of 2018-19 Groton Area School District Budget with 8:00pm public hearing set for July 9th. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND: Net Salary - 184,014.21; FIT - 16,353.20; Medicare - 6,873.26; FICA - 29,389.56; American Funds Service Co. - 771.70; Washington National - 98.40; SDRS - 28,877.20; 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 - 64,309.11; Reliastar - 588.63; A&B Business - office supplies, 58.73; Aberdeen Awards - awards, 2,011.00; Groton Area - advance pays, 22,505.99; Allied Climate - repairs, 7,710.76; Automatic Building Controls - smoke detector, 358.16; Award Emblem - awards, 251.31; Churchill, Manolis, & Freeman - legal services, 405.22; Clubhouse Hotel - lodging, 127.00; Cole Papers - vacuum repairs, 120.50; Dakota Electronics - repairs, 150.90; Dependable Sanitation - service, 1,271.00; DR Elite Club - golf fee, 59.77; Farnam's - adhesive, 18.49; Follett - labels, 283.58; Full Circle Ag - oil and diesel, 2,713.16; Groton Area - patron fees, 40.00; Groton Area - food reimbursements, 308.34; Groton Area - FFA coding correction, 2,691.95; Groton Chiropractic - physicals, 190.00; Groton Daily Independent - legal, 115.38; Joel Guthmiller - meals, 45.46; Hartford Steam Boiler - inspection fees, 450.00; Hauff Mid-America Sports - medals, 32.88; Aaron Helvig - meals, 66.09; Holiday Inn Spearfish - lodging, 1,287.86; House of Glass - labor/repairs, 991.80; J.W. Pepper - music, 64.38; Jerke Irrigation - irrigation repairs, 390.89; Ken's - fuel, 4,237.60; Locke Electric - coding error/repairs, (1,119.36); Matheson Tri-Gas - IA supplies, 219.61; Menards - JH reading classroom, 56.09; Mid-American Research Chemical - janitorial supply, 447.76; Northside Imp - parts/repairs, 5,856.38; Northwestern Energy - natural gas, 1,095.38; Oriental Trading

Co - RTI reinforcers, 656.14; QQP/Midstates - retirement plaques, 20.00; Safety Service - repairs, 442.00; School repairs/shakers, 259.29. Total General Fund - \$400,113.32.

CAPITAL OUTLAY: Groton Area - Advanced payments, 5,802.44; Dakota Electronics - Battery, 59.00; First National Bank - bond issue, 125,025.00; House of Glass - building repairs, 839.72; Locke Electric - electrical installation/repairs, 2,969.06; Marco - copier lease, 2,376.79; My Turn Playsystems - wood chips/playground, 3,900.00; SD Federal Property Agency - IA tools, 302.00; Taylor Music - Orchestra Bells, 998.00. Total Capital Outlay - \$142,272.01.

SPECIAL ED: Net Salary - 27,200.48; FIT - 2,159.74; Medicare - 1,013.96; FICA - 4,335.80; SDRS - 4,687.08; Waddell & Reed - 250.00; AFLAC - 730.91; Delta Dental - 983.10; SD Supplemental Retirement - 50.00; Wellmark - 11,841.00; Reliastar Life - 233.25; Avera St Lukes - PT/OT, 8,329.00; Groton Area - Elem SPED supplies, 70.15; Judy or Gene Williamson - mileage, 670.32; Nikki Wright - mileage, 856.80. Total Special Ed - \$63,411.59.

BOND REDEMPTION: First National Bank - bond issue, 4,766.25.

CAPITAL PROJECTS: Digi Security Systems - security system at Elementary, 91,334.61; Redlinger Bros Plg & Htg - Elm project final pmt - 28,023.75. Total Capital Projects - \$119,358.36.

ENTERPRISE FUNDS: Fund 51: Net Salary - 7,728.54; FIT - 364.99; Medicare - 264.86; FICA - 1,132.46; SDRS - 680.94; AFLAC - 151.45; Wellmark - 1,526.00; Reliastar Life - 1.30; Groton Area - Agency Advance Payments, 394.74; Todd Anderson - Lunch refund, 11.25; CWD - Aberdeen - Food, 1,194.93; Dean Foods - Milk, 437.20; Cara Dennert - lunch refund, 62.29; Earthgrains - food, 16.64; Clint Fjelstad - lunch refund, 141.05; Groton Area - milk, 13.50; Groton Area - computer fine, 5.00; Connie Jensen - lunch refund, 212.00; Jim Lane - lunch refund, 183.95; Joe or Belinda Nelson - lunch refund, 5.70; Stacy Oliver - lunch refund, 202.45; Reinhart Foodservice - food, 2,651.87; Marc Sippel - lunch refund, 66.05; US Foods - food, 2,484.01; Lynn Wright - lunch refund, 31.80. Total Food Service - \$19,964.97.

Fund 53: Net Salary - 1,876.80; FIT - 98.84; Medicare - 65.72; FICA - 281.02; SDRS - 204.48; AFLAC - 163.93; Wellmark - 671.00; Reliastar Life - 15.44; Groton Area - Advance payments, 266.01; CWD - Aberdeen - snacks, 135.92; Groton Area - OST supply, 97.75; Groton Ford - repairs on Driver's Ed car, 121.44. Total Fund Enterprise Funds - \$3,998.35.

AGENCY FUND: Total - \$53,205.17.

RECEIPTS: Local Sources, Taxes - 1,832,610.73; Other Local Sources - 119,540.15; County Sources - 4,188.90; State Sources - 177,269.18; Federal Sources - 40,184.22. Total Receipts - \$2,173,793.18.

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.

Building, Grounds and Transportation committee members reported that agra-lime for the infield of the softball diamond at the elementary will be delivered in the next week.

The following items were

discussed in administrative reports: NAEP testing, boy's golf, end-of-the-year reporting for SD Department of Education, staffing, ASBSD-SASD convention, grass planted at elementary, dual credit classes, volleyball camp, and Driver's Ed update.

The board held second reading of additions and amendments to Policies AC - Nondiscrimination, BDDC - Agenda Preparation and Dissemination, EFC - Meal Charges, GBL - Personnel Records, GCBDD - Military Leave of Absence, IGBC - Limited English Proficiency Instruction, JEA - 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 Opt Out, KMB - Title I Parental Involvement and KMC - Annual Notification of Parents. Moved by Gengerke, second Pharis to approve as presented. Motion carried.

The board held second reading of recommended changes to OST Handbook. Moved by Rix, second Gengerke to approve as presented. Motion carried.

An amendment to the 2018-19 school calendar was discussed in relation a rescheduled date for Jr. Sr. Prom and/or ACT testing. Moved by Harder, second Gengerke to approve the calendar with Spring Break moving from March 14 and 15 to March 21 and 22 and Prom moving from April 13 to April 27. Motion carried.

Lindsey Tietz presented the FACS, Ag, Tech and Business Committee report for 2018-19 curriculum changes. The recommendations will be incorporated into the 2018-19 budget.

Weber presented a list of outdated or damaged items. Moved by Rix, second Fjelstad to declared items as surplus property for disposal or resale. Motion carried.

The board held first reading of proposed changes to the 2018-19 middle school/high school student handbook.

Moved by Gengerke, second Pharis to approve resignation of Mary Johnson as MS SS/ Language Arts Teacher. Motion carried.

Moved by Rix, second Harder to reassign Kristi Anderson from 3rd Grade Teacher to MS SS/Language Arts Teacher for 2018-19. Motion carried.

Moved by Gengerke, second Fjelstad to hire Lindsey DeHoet as Kindergarten Teacher for the 2018-19 school year, with salary to be published in July. Motion carried.

Moved by Pharis, second Gengerke to hire Emily Fischer as 2nd Grade Teacher for the 2018-19 school year, with salary to be published in July. Motion carried.

Moved by Harder, second Rix to hire Melissa Smith as 3rd Grade Teacher for the 2018-19 school year, with salary to be published in July. Motion carried.

Moved by Gengerke, second Pharis to approve ESY Agreement for Todd Peterson. Motion carried.

Moved by Fjelstad, second Gengerke to approve Summer Library Agreement for Melissa Ulmer. Motion carried.

Moved by Rix, second Pharis to approve lane change for Jan Seibel from BS+30 to BS+45. Motion carried.

Moved by Gengerke, second Pharis to approve lane change for Brooke Lingbeck from BS+15 to BS+30. Motion carried.

Moved by Gengerke, second Rix to approve lane change for Shaun Wanner from BS to BS+15. Motion carried.

Moved by Pharis, second

Gengerke to approve Jeremy Weber and Drake Patterson as volunteer boy's basketball coaches for 2018-19. Motion carried.

Moved by Rix, second Pharis to go into executive session at 8:03 pm pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(4) for negotiations and SDCL 1-25-2(2) for a student issue. Motion carried.

Weismantel declared the board out of executive session at 8:16 pm.

Moved by Gengerke, second Harder to deny open enrollment #19-02 for a student in grade 6 from the Aberdeen School District. Motion carried.

Moved by Harder, second Rix to approve open enrollment #19-03 for a student in grade 10 from the Aberdeen School District. Motion carried.

Moved by Fjelstad, second Gengerke to approve 2018-19 Administrative Staff Negotiated Agreement and approve amended administrative contracts. Motion carried.

Moved by Gengerke, second Pharis to issue auxiliary staff work agreements for 2018-19. Motion carried.

Moved by Rix, second Fjelstad to adjourn at 8:20 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
Turn Lane
Bid Notice**

ADVERTISEMENT FOR SEALED BIDS

2018 TURN LANE IMPROVEMENTS

BROWN COUNTY, SD

Sealed Bids will be received by the Brown County Commission, Brown County Courthouse Annex, 25 Market Street, Aberdeen, South Dakota until 8:45 A.M., Tuesday, July 10, 2018 for the above referenced project. Bids shall be prepared and submitted in accordance with the Bidding Documents. The Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all Bids as set forth in the Bidding Documents.

At or shortly after the time named above and within the meeting of the County Commission, such Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The project includes widening existing lanes to add turn lanes at three separate intersections in Brown County: Brown County 13 & US Hwy. 281; Brown County 13 & Brown County 14; Brown County 14 & 8th Avenue. The project work includes approximately 935 T Asphalt, 1,600 T Base Course, 1,850 CY Unclassified Excavation, 2,110 T Salvaged & Stockpiled Asphalt Mix and granular material, Pavement Marking and Traffic Control and associated bid items.

Work to be performed under this contract shall be substantially completed by October 15, 2018.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a Bid Security as described in the Bidding Documents. The Successful Bidder will be required to provide Payment and Performance Bonds as described in the Bidding Documents.

Bidding Documents may be examined at the locations listed:

Brown Co. Hwy. Dept.
3133 8th Ave. NE
Aberdeen, SD 57401
Ph: 605-626-7118

Clark Engineering Corp.
3314 Milwaukee Ave NE, Ste.

Aberdeen, SD 57401
Ph: 605-225-3494
Clark Engineering Corp.
1410 W. Russell St.
Sioux Falls, SD 57104
Ph: 605-331-2505
Clark Engineering Corp.
114 1st Ave. NW
Watertown, SD 57201
Ph: 605-878-0414
Clark Engineering Corp.
1205 N. Harrison Ave., Ste.

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Pierre, SD 57501
Ph: 605-494-0273

The Bidding Documents may also be examined at the following locations: Aberdeen, SD Builders Exchange; Rapid City, SD Builders Exchange; Sioux Falls, SD Builders Exchange; Plains Builders Exchange, Sioux Falls, SD; Dodge Data & Analytics, Hot Springs, AR; Construction Plans Exchange of Bismarck-Mandan, Bismarck, ND; or Construction Plans Exchange of Fargo-Moorhead, Fargo, ND; Constructconnect, South Dakota Bid Network.

An electronic copy of the Plans and Specifications on a compact disc may be obtained from the Aberdeen office of Clark Engineering upon payment of \$40 to Clark Engineering for shipping and handling or Plans and Specifications may be downloaded from the www.clark-docs.com web site upon a payment of \$20. A printed 11"x17" size set of Plans and Specifications may be obtained from the Aberdeen office of Clark Engineering upon payment of \$100 to Clark Engineering for shipping and handling. All payments are non-refundable. Upon request, one copy of Plans and Specifications shall be furnished, without charge, to each Contractor resident in South Dakota who intends, in good faith, to bid upon the project.

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor (0620.0627)

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**Brown County
Ewalt Rezoning
Notice**

ORDINANCE #119

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 4, SECOND REVISION BROWN COUNTY ORDINANCES, AS AMENDED TO REZONE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY

BE IT ORDAINED by the Brown County Commission, Brown County, South Dakota, that the Petition to Amend Title 4, Second Revision Brown County Ordinances, as amended, to rezone the following described property filed by Jeremy Ewalt is hereby granted and Title 4, Second Revision Brown County Ordinances is hereby amended to change the zoning on the following described property from Chapter 4.06 Agricultural Preservation District (AG-P) to Chapter 4.07 Mini-Agricultural District (M-AG), said property described as follows:

STIP PUBLIC MEETINGS

S.D. Dept. of Transportation has developed a Tentative 2019-2022 Four-Year Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The Tentative STIP includes all the state sponsored transportation projects for this time period.

Prior to final approval of the STIP by the Transportation Commission, public meetings will be held on the following dates and locations to receive public comment on the tentative program.

July 10, 2018..... AmericInn..... Aberdeen7:00 PM (CDT)
July 11, 2018..... Ramada Inn Airport..... Sioux Falls.....7:00 PM (CDT)
July 12, 2018..... Ramkota Hotel..... Rapid City7:00 PM (MDT)
July 17, 2018..... Ramkota Hotel..... Pierre7:00 PM (CDT)
July 19, 2018..... Webinar..... Visit www.sddot.com for a link to participate.....2:30 PM (CDT)

Any individuals with disabilities who will require a reasonable accommodation in order to participate in the public meeting should submit a request to the department's ADA Coordinator at 605-773-3540 or 1-800-877-1113 no later than 2 business days prior to the meeting. For more information please go to www.SDDOT.com

N 1/2 of Levey's Outlot 1 in the SE 1/4 of Sec 24-T123N-R65W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD. (13351 382nd Ave)

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Brown County Commission, Brown County, South Dakota that the zoning official for the County of Brown is hereby authorized to change the official zoning map for Brown County to reflect this Ordinance.

Notice of Hearing: May 30 & June 6, 2018

Passed First Reading: June 12, 2018

Passed Second Reading: June 19, 2018

Adopted: June 19, 2018

Published: June 27, 2018

Effective Date: July 17, 2018

Doug Fjeldheim, Chair

Brown County Commission

ATTEST:
Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor

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**Groton Transit
Notice to apply
for funds**

Groton Community Transit, Inc. Application for 5311 funds

The Groton Community Transit, Inc. intends to apply for funds under Section 5311 of the Service Transportation Assistance Act for the continued operation of a public transportation project in the city of Groton, Brown County of South Dakota. This notice offers the opportunity for a public hearing, submittal of service proposals or comments regarding the project. Interested public or private or paratransit providers are invited to comment on this proposal or submit proposals to provide the service. Requests for a public hearing, comments or requests for the grant proposal should be directed by July 12, 2018 to :

Groton Community Transit, Inc.,

Darlyne Kampa, Director

Box 693

Groton, SD 57445

(0627.0703)

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**Frederick Town
Notice of
Public Hearing**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public meeting for comments will be held to review the City of Frederick's plan to file an application for Federal Assistance for the Sanitary Sewer Improvement project with USDA Rural Development Community Facilities Loan and/or Grant program. The public meeting will be held at 7:00 PM on July 9, 2018, at the Frederick Community Center.

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MONTHLY DISTRICT FINANCIAL REPORT FOR GROTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT 06-6									
For the reporting period beginning July 1, 2015, and ending January 31, 2016									
	General Fund	Restricted Gen Funds	Capital Outlay	Special Education	Pension Fund	Bond Redemption	Enterprise Fund	Agency Fund	Total for District
1. Beginning Balance	1,567,543.80	32,052.21	714,564.64	210,021.48	0.00	147,255.99	65,435.66	209,042.29	2,945,916.07
a. cash	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
b. securities invested	1,567,543.80	32,052.21	714,564.64	210,021.48	0.00	147,255.99	65,435.66	209,042.29	2,945,916.07
2. Transfers in									
3. Revenue to date	2,203,011.28	0.00	518,817.38	306,089.78	95,500.25	103,898.61	173,875.85	372,595.67	3,773,788.82
4. Total accounted for	3,770,555.08	32,052.21	1,233,382.02	516,111.26	95,500.25	251,154.60	239,311.51	581,637.96	6,719,704.89
5. Transfers out									
6. Expenditures to date	2,147,004.21	0.00	716,630.86	335,003.19	0.00	200,613.75	171,239.00	414,293.97	3,984,784.98
a. encumbrances	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
b. disbursements	2,147,004.21	0.00	716,630.86	335,003.19	0.00	200,613.75	171,239.00	414,293.97	3,984,784.98
7. Ending Balance	1,623,550.87	32,052.21	516,751.16	181,108.07	95,500.25	50,540.85	68,072.51	167,343.99	2,734,919.91
a. cash	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	23,238.51	23,438.51
b. securities invested	1,623,350.87	32,052.21	516,751.16	181,108.07	95,500.25	50,540.85	68,072.51	144,105.48	2,711,481.40
January Receipts	27,172.08	0.00	3,935.80	2,942.57	638.28	915.72	17,766.78	44,576.60	97,947.83
January Expenses	361,399.26	0.00	43,683.34	58,358.57	0.00	0.00	22,639.60	26,766.21	512,846.98
Agency Cash on Hand	23,238.51								
District Savings	2,711,481.40								
Certificate of Deposit	0.00								
District Cash on Hand	200.00								
Total for District	2,734,919.91								



Before leaving Groton, the group met in front of the Jungle for a prayer. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



“Ride for Soul” Bike Rally

Motorcycles were lined up on the south end of Main Street Saturday morning as bikers were getting ready for the “Ride for Soul” bike rally. This is the fourth annual event which starts and ends in Groton. They left Groton Saturday morning with 39 motorcycles, traveling 153 miles from Groton to Eden to Waubay to Crocker and back to Groton. They had a free-will dinner at the Eden Park.

Riders are made up of law enforcement and fire fighters. According to Dion Bahr, the event was started in Groton four years ago as a fundraiser for Matt “9 Lives” Cler, who lost his fight with cancer two years ago. This year, the rally is a fundraiser for the Eastern Star and for Archie’s Turtles in Britton, which helps to raise money for Relay for Life.

The Iron Warriors is a club from Aberdeen, the only one in South Dakota. There are two clubs from Minnesota, and all three clubs help each other with their bike rallies.

Health Department Awards \$500,000 For Mosquito Control

PIERRE, S.D. – More than 200 South Dakota cities, counties and tribes will share in \$499,767 in grants intended to control mosquitoes and prevent West Nile virus (WNV), the Department of Health announced today.

Groton received \$5,215. Only 15 of the 201 mosquito control programs in the state received more funding than Groton. Aberdeen City received the maximum amount of \$20,000 while Brown County received \$16,750. Britton \$7,192, Redfield \$5,583, Webster \$3,779, Conde \$881, Claremont \$2,141, Columbia \$1,061, Andover \$750, Bath Sanitary District \$2,322, Hecla \$1,962; Langford, Pierpont, Roslyn, Eden Mosquito Control Coop \$3,223; Stratford \$1,500, Warner \$1,965 and Westport \$2,501

“South Dakota has a disproportionately high number of WNV cases when compared to other states. Local mosquito control efforts play a vital role in protecting our communities,” said Bill Chalcraft, administrator of public health preparedness and response for the Department of Health.

All applying communities received funding, with grants ranging from \$300 to \$20,000. Grant awards were based on the population of the applying jurisdiction and its history of human WNV cases through 2017.

Since its first human WNV case in 2002, the state has reported 2,432 human cases, including 778 hospitalizations and 42 deaths. Every county has reported cases. This season South Dakota reported its first human WNV case in a blood donor from Todd County earlier this month.

Including this latest round of grants, the state has provided local mosquito control programs with more than \$7.5 million in support, in either direct grant funding or control chemicals, since the virus emerged in South Dakota.



Lazy Farmers 4-H Club takes care of James Cemetery

The Lazy Farmers 4-H Club take care of the James Cemetery as one of its community service projects. Pictured here, at spring clean-up, are (in back) Logan Pearson, Jamesen Stange and Lexi Osterman; in front are Liza Krueger, Kayla Lehr, Alicia Davis, Jarrett Erdmann, Tessa Erdmann, Cassandra



Townsend and Travis Townsend. On the mower is Lane Krueger. (Courtesy photo)

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The back of the leather vests that the bikers wore as part of the Iron Warriors Hub City chapter. (Photo by Paul Kosel)

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