



FACS Gengerbread House Contest

From left to right: Cassandra Townsend, Sam Menzia, Kaitlyn Anderson, Jodi Hinman, Portia Kettering, Jennie Doeden, Shannon Wiedrick, Shyla Larson, and Sam Geffre. (Photo from Lindsey Tietz's facebook page)

Thanks to everyone that voted in our Gingerbread House contest and supporting the Schaller Family! Congrats to our winner, Sam Geffre with the Grinch-themed house and to Joni Groeblichhoff, the winner of the Ken's gift card. Thanks Ken's Fairway for donating the gift card!

Groton eighth grade MathCounts takes first at Roncalli

The Roncalli Invitational MathCounts Countdown Competition was held on Wednesday, December 5, 2018. Students from Aberdeen area schools participated in the event, which was sponsored by 3M of Aberdeen. Four separate countdown competitions were held simultaneously in the gymnasium.

The Groton team of Ethan Clark, Caleb Hanten, Jacob Lewandowski, and Andrew Marazhan received first place in the eighth grade division.

Three Groton students earned individual places in their respective brackets of the competition. Ethan Clark placed first and Caleb Hanten placed second in their respective eighth grade brackets; Dillon Abeln earned second place in his seventh grade bracket.

MathCounts is a nationwide coaching and competition program for middle school students that promotes excellence in mathematics. Simmons hosts the next junior high competition on Wednesday, January 23, 2019.



Eighth Grade Team Winners: Front row from left: Groton, 1st place, Ethan Clark, Caleb Hanten, Jacob Lewandowski, and Andrew Marzahn; Back row from left: Roncalli, 2nd place, Lauren Dosch, Garrett Griffin, Sawyer Henrich, and Samuel Koch. (Courtesy photo)



Groton's Angel Tree lady for 13 years, Tina Kosel) was out making deliveries this week.

City eyes \$1.8 million loan for new water tower and water main loop

Ted Dickey from Northeast Council of Government was present at Groton's city council meeting Monday night to discuss the application for drinking water facility funding for Groton's new water tower. The application was for \$2,078,000 total funding for a year 2021 water tower project. The City had pledged \$280,000, so the loan would ultimately be for \$1,798,000 at 2.75% for 30 years. Dickey proposed a \$13.50 increase in water rates to fund the project. This project would also provide opportunities for development South of Groton as well as fire protection.

Ken Hier from Clark Engineering discussed the 2019 street project. The plans will be advertised in January and bids will be in February. The projected completion date is August 18th, 2019. Hier also left an updated zoning map for review.

The city will sponsor a Christmas lighting contest to be judged Friday, December 21st with prizes being \$100, \$75 and \$50 credits on utility bills.

The council approved the Joint Cooperative Agreement with NECOG.

After an executive session, the council approved the second reading of the 2019 Salary Ordinance #722 to raise Planning and Zoning wages to \$35/meeting and \$70/special, and to implement a 75 cent per hour raise for the thirteen full-time employees.



Work has been progressing on the new fence being installed at Falk Field at the Groton Baseball Complex. (Photo from Groton Baseball/Softball Foundation Facebook Page)

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Frederick School Dec. 10, 2018

Meeting Minutes

OFFICIAL BOARD PROCEEDINGS
FREDERICK AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT #6-2
DECEMBER 10, 2018

The meeting was called to order on December 10, 2018, at 6:00pm by President Rich Schlosser. Members present were Dan Nickelson, Jon Ellwein, and Rich Achen. Others present were Superintendent/9-12 Principal/Athletic Director Jeff Kosters, K-8 Principal Jessica Ringgenberg and Business Manager Janel Wagner.

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

President Schlosser welcomed visitor Julie Brotzel.

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

Action 18-079 Motion by Ellwein, second by Achen to approve the agenda as amended: reword #10 Transfer Fund Balance to Fund Transfers. All aye, carried.

Action 18-080 Motion by Ellwein, second by Nickelson to approve consent agenda which included the following items as presented: minutes of meeting held November 12, 2018 and November 14, 2018; November 2018 financial report, agency accounts and investments; District bills and November 2018 payroll. All aye, carried.

Ending November 30, 2018.....

	GENERAL FUND	CAPITAL OUTLAY	SPECIAL EDUCATION	PENSION FUND	FOOD SERVICE	DRIVERS ED FUND	GOVERNMENTAL & ENTERPRISE FUND ACCOUNT TOTALS	TRUST & AGENCY
Beginning checking Balance	\$155,356.32	\$84,073.90	\$510,511.38	\$7,666.76	(\$831.44)	\$96.38	\$756,873.30	\$44,124.14
Revenue:								
Taxes	\$255,050.46	\$254,068.70	\$152,691.18		\$5,119.15			
Local Sources.....	\$239.21	\$1,245.47						\$10,111.89
Interest.....	\$37.77							\$3.01
Federal & State.....	\$68,530.10		\$359.58		\$3,606.98			
Total Revenue.....	\$323,857.54	\$255,314.17	\$153,050.76	\$0.00	\$8,726.13	\$0.00	\$740,948.60	\$10,114.90
Disbursements								
Bills.....	\$23,109.18	\$8,191.02	\$1,052.80		\$5,387.24			\$8,108.96
Payroll.....	\$126,006.89		\$17,395.62		\$5,391.48			
Total Disbursements.....	\$149,116.07	\$8,191.02	\$18,448.42		\$10,778.72		\$186,534.23	\$8,108.96
Transfers								
Transfer-General to								
Food Svc	(\$10,000.00)				\$10,000.00			
Transfer-Cap Outlay to								
General	\$11,500.00	(\$11,500.00)						
Total Net Transfers	\$1,500.00	(\$11,500.00)						
Total checking balance.....	\$331,597.79	\$319,697.05	\$645,113.72	\$7,666.76	\$7,115.97	\$96.38	\$1,311,287.67	\$46,130.08
Beginning investment balance.....	\$353,653.16	\$1,492,895.39	\$456,175.05	\$45,189.23			\$2,347,912.83	
Interest.....	\$246.26	\$738.81						
Total investment balance	\$353,899.42	\$1,493,634.20	\$456,175.05	\$45,189.23			\$2,348,897.90	
Ending Balance	\$685,497.21	\$1,813,331.25	\$1,101,288.77	\$52,855.99	\$7,115.97	\$96.38	\$3,660,185.57	

Westport Town Dec. 3, 2018

Meeting Minutes

Town of Westport General Meeting
December 3rd, 2018

The Town of Westport met on December 3rd, 2018 with Tim Selzler, Shane Storm, Mike Wilson, Doreen Hertel and present.

The following expenses were presented:

City General
NWPS (\$439.49), Groton Independent (\$18.22), Postmaster (\$350.00), B & B contracting - snow removal (\$130.00), Menards's (\$427.89), Fire Safety first (\$25.00), Tim Selzler (\$75.00), Shane Storm (\$175.00), Michael Wilson (\$255.00), & Doreen Hertel (\$900.00).

Sewer
NWPS (\$45.52), NRW - loan repayment (\$210.13) & Payroll - Doreen Hertel (\$300.00).

Water
WEB (\$1,268.65), Dept. of Revenue (\$15.00), Water Maintenance District (\$321.43), DENR- Loan (\$3,912.12), Payroll- Doreen Hertel (\$300.00).

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

The following deposits were presented:

City General
Brown County Collections (\$3,993.30), State of SD (\$2,265.12) & Interest (\$29.03).

Sewer
Resident Payments - (\$2,250.00), Brown County Collections (\$195.00).

Water
Resident Payments - (\$3,500.34) & Brown County Collections (\$292.40).

NEW BUSINESS:

Review insurance by SDML, for values on city owned items.

Sign NECOG administrative agreement for sewer project. The project is going forward and bids will be taken.

Doreen Hertel, Finance Officer

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November Payroll - General Fund salaries 73,698.72; Special Education salaries 11,229.88; Food Service salaries 3,107.17. EFTPS, federal income tax/Social Security/Medicare 23,253.85; AFLAC, supplemental insurance 837.01; American Funds, retirement 1,115.50; AMI, garnishment 738.16; Delta Dental, insurance 1,612.74; Reliastar Life, insurance 220.44; SD Retirement 13,178.36; SD Retirement Supplemental, 465.50; Security Benefits, retirement 417.50; VSP, vision insurance 279.16, Wellmark, health insurance 18,640.00.

General Fund: Agtegra, fuel 6,141.72; ASBSD, training 356.42; Bytespeed, repairs 810.00; Cenex Zip Trip, fuel 36.72; Churchill, Manolis, Freeman, Kludt & Burns, legal fees 1,021.48; Cole Papers, supplies 1,017.67; Community Store, supplies 78.86; CWD, food 398.59; Dakota Fluid Power, repairs 180.45; Days Inn, travel 55.00; Eide Bailly, audit 4,664.00; Ellendale True Value, supplies 30.96; Farnam's Genuine Parts, repairs 62.15; Foreman Sales & Service, repairs 1,065.55; Game Film Network, program 90.00; GDI News, publishing 223.47; Glazier Clinics, training 124.00; James Valley Telecommunications, telephone 510.96; JM Electric, installation 337.41; Kessler's, supplies 130.05; Leola School District, field painting 300.00; Mac's, repairs 94.63; Menards, supplies/repairs 380.99; Merchant Services, lunch payment fees 91.58; Meyers Auto, repairs 35.00; Mid-American Research Chemical, supplies 598.10; Montana-Dakota Utilities, electricity 3,431.96; Mueller, Jeff, volleyball clock 15.00; North East Area Health Education Center, CPR

training 180.00; O'Reilly Auto Parts, repairs 254.15; Pantorium Cleaners, supplies 250.70; Podoll, Lance, mileage 335.16; Pomp's Tire Service, repairs 407.37; Ringgenberg, Jessica, supplies 31.50; Scholastic Reading Club, workbooks 93.50; School Specialty, supplies 69.04; Schwan Welding & Boiler Repair, repairs 306.30; South Dakota Farmers Union, CPR training 543.00; South Dakota Medicaid, admin fee 55.04; Town of Frederick, utilities 175.60; Trust & Agency Account, Imprest reimbursement 595.63 ...; United States Postal Service, postage 7.22; Wagner, Janel, meals 15.00. Capital Outlay Fund: A&B Business Solutions, printer contract 630.34; American Time, clock 146.84; Connecting Point Computer Center, Smart TV 475.00; Riverside Technologies, laptop bags 2,100.00. Special Education Fund: Avera St Lukes, occupational therapy 1,904.00; Trust & Agency Account, Imprest reimbursement 30.00. Food Service Fund: Blue Ribbon Maintenance Supplies, supplies 503.88; Child & Adult Nutrition, food 67.34; Community Store, food 21.92; CWD, food/supplies 3,598.29; Pantorium Cleaners, supplies 36.04.

Enter Alex Hart at 6:02pm...

Julie Brotzel presented a quote for security system upgrades. The proposed upgrades cannot be funded by federal grants. Brown County has offered to loan us a few items so we can optimize the use of some of our current equipment.

Action 18-081 Motion by Ellwein, second by Nickelson to approve the quote from CommTech to purchase security equipment for \$12,258.89. All aye, carried.

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The following reports were presented:

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

B. Jessica Ringgenberg - K-8 Principal

C. Janel Wagner - Business Manager

D. Dan Nickelson - North Central Special Education Cooperative update

Exit Rich Schlosser at 6:40pm. Dan Nickelson began presiding the meeting.

Action 18-082 Motion by Hart, second by Achen to approve items as surplus and authorize the Business Manager to dispose of the items. All aye, carried.

Action 18-083 be it hereby resolved that the Board of Education of the Frederick Area School District 6-2 does adopt the supplemental budget for 2018-2019:

CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND

MEANS OF FINANCE: ... CASH ON HAND..... \$60,760

..... \$60,760

EXPENDITURES:..... LAPTOPS..... \$43,000

..... SECURITY EQUIPMENT \$12,260

..... FITNESS CENTER..... \$5,500

..... \$60,760

Ellwein-yes, Achen-yes, Hart-yes, Nickelson-yes. Carried.

Action 18-084 Motion by Hart, second by Achen to make the following fund transfers: move \$1,772.66 from General Fund to Trust & Agency-Fitness Center and \$4,042.77 from General Fund to Trust & Agency-Imprest. All aye, carried.

Action 18-085 Motion by Ellwein, second by Achen to approve Agreement for Jim Dumire - Main Street Station. All aye, carried.

Action 18-086 Motion by Ell-

FOOD SERVICE

DRIVERS ED FUND

GOVERNMENTAL & ENTERPRISE FUND ACCOUNT TOTALS

TRUST & AGENCY

(\$831.44)

\$96.38

\$756,873.30

\$44,124.14

\$5,119.15

\$3,606.98

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\$2,348,897.90

\$3,660,185.57

Diegel, DeHoet team for 52 points in Groton's win over Britton-Hecla

Treyton Diegel and Brodyn DeHoet teamed for 52 points for Groton Area while Kyler Meyer and Cole Fosness teamed for 48 points for Britton-Hecla as the Tigers hung on to beat the Braves, 70-62. The boys' basketball game was played Tuesday in Groton.

Diegel made seven three-pointers while DeHoet made five and Jonathan Doeden one to led the Tigers. Kyler Meyer made four three-pointers in the fourth quarter and made seven for the game while Cole Fosness made three three-pointers to pace the Braves.

The first quarter seemed like a run and gun game as the game was tied three times at 5, 7 and 21 and there were five lead changes as the Tigers took a 26-24 lead at the end of the first quarter. Groton Area made 42 percent of its shots in the first quarter while the Braves made 37 percent. Ice cold shooting by Britton-Hecla in the second quarter allowed the Tigers to develop a 13-point lead as the Tigers led at half time, 39-29. Britton-Hecla made seven percent of its field goals in the second quarter while Groton Area made 31 percent. Groton Area opened up an 19-point lead with 52-33 midway in the third quarter and the Tigers took a 57-42 lead into the fourth quarter. In the third quarter, Groton Area made 42 percent of its shots while Britton-Hecla made 25 percent. The Braves started out hot in the fourth quarter as Kyler Meyer powered in four three-pointers and the Braves closed to within five, 67-62, with under two minutes to go in the game. The Tigers went on for the eight point win.

Brodyn DeHoet and Treyton Diegel each had 26 points, Jonathan Doeden had 10, Tristan Traphagen four and Cade Guthmiller and Kaden Kurtz each had two points.

Kyler Meyer led the Braves with 29 points followed by Cole Fosness with 16, Stanley Haskens was eight for eight from the line for eight points, Joel James and Trevor Zuehlke each had four points and Nick Nelson added a free throw.

For the game, Groton Area was 12 of 30 in two-pointers for 40 percent while Britton-Hecla was 12 of 33 for 36 percent. In three-pointers, Groton Area was 13 of 27 for 48 percent and Britton-Hecla was nine of 32 for 27 percent. The Tigers were seven of 14 from the line for 50 percent and the Braves were 11 of 15 for 73 percent.

Groton Area had the edge in rebounds, 35-32, with DeHoet having 11 for Groton area and Trevor Zuehlke having eight for the Braves. Groton Area had 16 assists with Diegel having five, DeHoet had the lone steal and Austin Jones and Traphagen each had one block. Groton Area had more turnovers, 16-10.

Britton-Hecla won the junior varsity game, 40-28. Scoring for Groton Area: Chandler Larson 8, Jayden Zak 7, Lane Tietz 3, Jordan Bjerke 3, Cyrus DeHoet 3, Tate Larson 2 and Isaac Smith 2. Tyson Morris led the Braves with 11 points and Noah Olson had 10.

Groton Area won the C game, 35-21. Scoring for Groton Area: Wyatt Hearnen 16, Jackson Cogley 6, Pierce Kettering 5, Tate Larson 4, Jordan Bjerke 2, Cole Simon 2, Kannon Coats 1. Dawson Wade led the Braves with 8 points.

Groton Area, now 2-1, will have the rest of the year off. Groton Area's first game of 2019 will be a double header at Hamlin on January 4.

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Rohlfs' 3-pointers propel Pheasants to win over Tigers

The Groton Area Boys Basketball team had everything going for them. Groton Area built up a 12 point lead midway in the second quarter. Then Leyton Rohlfs came into the picture for the Redfield-Doland Pheasants. Rohlfs made three straight three-pointers at the end of the first half and Groton's lead had evaporated to two at half time, 36-34.

The Pheasants had it first lead right away in the third quarter. The game was tied twice and the lead changed hands four more times before Redfield-Doland had a 54-50 lead at the end of the third quarter. Rohlfs contributed two more three pointers in the third quarter and two more in the fourth quarter. He only missed one shot and finished the game with 21 points as the Pheasants went on to win, 78-67.

Brodyn DeHoet led the Tigers with 25 points that included two three-pointers. Treyton Diegel added 15 points with two three-pointers. Jonathan Doeden had 10 points followed by Tristan Traphagen and Austin Jones with three each, Kaden Kurtz had two and Cade Guthmiller added a free throw.

Redfield-Doland made 57 percent of its three-pointers while Groton Area made 19 percent. After shooting only 45 percent in the first quarter, the Pheasants made 63 percent of all its field goals for the game. The Tigers shot 64 percent in the first quarter, but cooled down to 40 percent for the game. The Tigers made 68 percent of its free throws, making 15 of 22 off of Redfield-Doland's 21 team fouls. Redfield-Doland made 47 percent of its free throws, making eight of 17 off of Groton Area's 19 team fouls.

Groton Area had 12 turnovers, six of which were steals. The Pheasants had 13 turnovers, nine of which were steals with Diegel and

Doeden each having two. The Pheasants had more rebounds, 28-24, with Max Baloun having 13 for the Pheasants and DeHoet having nine for the Tigers.

Others adding to the Redfield-Doland tally were Baloun and Micaiah Utecht with 16 each, Zach Jordan had 10, Kolton Haider six, Jaxson Frankenstein four, Isaac Suchor had three and Thomas Shantz added two points.

Redfield-Doland won the C game, 33-32. Scoring for Groton Area: Jordan Bjerke 10, Tate Larson 8, Jackson Cogley 5, Lane Tietz 3, Kannon Coats 2, Lucas Simon 2, Jayden Zak 2. Peyton Osborn led the Pheasants with 19 points.

Redfield-Doland won the junior varsity game, 39-25. Scoring for Groton Area: Chandler Larson 8, Cyruss DeHoet 6, Jayden Zak 5, Jordan Bjerke 2, Jace Kroll 2 and Tate Larson 2. Paul Juarez led the Pheasants with 10 points.

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Tigers score 10 straight to pull away from Britton-Hecla

Groton Area scored 10 straight points in the first half to pull away from Britton-Hecla to secure a 46-30 win. The game was played Monday in Britton.

The game was tied five times and there were three lead changes in the first quarter. The Braves held a 9-7 lead before Groton Area scored 10 straight points to take a 17-9 lead. The game was tied at nine after the first quarter with Groton leading, 20-13, at half time and 36-23 after three quarters of play.

Jennie Doeden led the Tigers with 12 points and seven rebounds, Miranda Hanson made two three-pointers and finished the night with 10 points, Gracie Traphagen had eight points and six rebounds, Eliza Wanner had five points, five steals and four assists, Payton Maine added four points and had three steals, Kaycie Hawkins had four points, Tady Glover had three points and Kenzie McInerney led the Tigers in rebounds with eight.

Mya Hageson and Jenna Werner each led the Braves with 11 points, Peris Fellows had four and Jaidyn Roehr and Emma Storley each had two points.

Groton Area had nine turnovers while the Braves had 18 turnovers. The Tigers made two of 10 free throws compared to four of seven for Britton-Hecla.

Shooting wise, Groton Area made 16 percent of its first quarter shots, 31 percent in the second quarter, 58 percent in the third quarter and 36 percent in the fourth quarter. Britton-Hecla made 27 percent in the first quarter, 33 percent in the second quarter, 25 percent in the third quarter and 50 percent in the fourth quarter.

In the junior high game, Groton Area held a 19-3 lead at half time and hung on to win, 25-23. There was no junior varsity game.

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Redfield-Doland girls hands Groton Area first loss

Redfield-Doland opened its girls basketball season Saturday with a 70-42 win over the Groton Area Tigers. The game was played in Groton.

The Pheasants led at the quarterstops at 22-12, 43-30 and 57-39. Jennie Doeden led the Tigers with 12 points, Payton Maine had 10 points and she had seven of the team's 12 rebounds, Kaycie Hawkins had six points, Gracie Traphagen four and Eliza Wanner had two points. Groton Area had eight assists with Maine, Doeden and Kenzie McInerney each having two. Both teams had 12 turnovers. The Pheasants dominated the boards, 33-12, with Addison Rozell having nine rebounds.

Hannah Kuehn led the Pheasants with 23 points which included six three-pointers, Addison Rozell had 22 points which included a three-pointer and three three-point plays (made a basket, was fouled and made the free throw), Kailee Clausen had eight rebounds with two three-pointers, Katelyn Nelson made two three-pointers for six points, Eve Millar had four points and 10 assists, Georgia Kuehn had four points and Katelyn Nelson added a three-pointer.

Groton Area was five of 11 in three-pointers with Maine and Hanson each having two three-pointers and Traphagen having one. The Tigers were four of eight from the line while the Pheasants were eight of nine.

Redfield-Doland won the junior varsity game, 30-22. The Pheasants led at the quarterstops at 5-4, 16-6 and 25-15. Gracie Traphagen had 15 points while Allyssa Locke had five, Maddie Bjerke four and Kenzie McInerney, Caitlynn Barse and Trista Keith each had two points.

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Frederick Town Wastewater Project

FORM 5 – COMBINED NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST FUNDS
December 19, 2018
(Date)
City of Frederick
(Name of City)
PO Box 546, Frederick, SD 57441
605-329-2242
(Street, City, Zip Code) (Phone Number)

TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS, AND PERSONS:
The purpose of this notice is to identify two separate but related actions to be taken by The City of Frederick.

On or about January 7, 2019 the above-named City of Frederick will request the Governor's Office of Economic Development (GOED) to release Federal funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended (PL 97-35) for the following project:

City of Frederick Wastewater Improvement Project
(Project Title or Name)

To replace existing wastewater lines, repair the lift station and place a synthetic liner and riprap at the lagoon.

(Purpose or Nature of the Project)

City of Frederick, Brown County, South Dakota
(Location - City, County, State of Project)

\$3,484,000
(Estimated Cost of Project)

It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and accordingly the above-named City has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (PL 91-190).

The reasons for such decision not to prepare such Statement are as follows:

The appropriate Federal and State agencies have been contacted for their comments regarding the environmental impacts of this project. Their comments stated that the above-mentioned project would not adversely impact the environment.

An Environmental Review Record of the project has been made by the City of Frederick, which documents the environmental review of the project, and more fully sets forth the reasons why such Statement is not required. This Environmental Review Record is on file at the City of Frederick and is available for public examination and copying upon request at the City of Frederick City Hall between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. No further Environmental Review of this project is proposed prior to the request for release of Federal funds.

All interested agencies, groups, and persons disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit written comments for consideration by the City of Frederick to the office of the undersigned. Comments should specify which notice, Finding of No Significant Impact, or Intent to Request Release of Funds, is being addressed. Such written comments will be received at the address specified on or before January 7, 2019.

All comments received will be considered and the City of Frederick will not request the release of Federal funds or take any administrative action on the project prior to the date specified in the preceding sentence.

The City of Frederick will undertake the project described herein with Community Development Block Grant funds from the Governor's Office of Economic Development under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. The City of Frederick is certifying to the Governor's Office of Economic Development that the City of Frederick and Chief Executive Officer or other Certifying Officer approved by the Governor's Office of Economic Development in her/his official capacity as Project Environmental Officer consent to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision-making and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval the City of Frederick may use the Block Grant funds and the State and HUD will have satisfied their responsibilities under the

National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

The Governor's Office of Economic Development will accept an objection to its approval only if it is on one of the following basis: (a) that the certification was not in fact executed by the environmental certifying officer or other officer of applicant approved by the GOED, or (b) that applicant's environmental review record for the project indicates omission of a required decision, finding or step applicable to the project in the environmental review process. Objections may be addressed to the Department of Tourism and State Development, Governor's Office of Economic Development, Community Development Block Grant Program, 711 E. Wells Avenue, Pierre, South Dakota 57501-3369.

Objections to the release of funds on basis other than those stated above will not be considered by the GOED. No objection received after, January 24, 2018 will be considered by the State.

Scott Campbell, Town President

Frederick Town Council
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Claremont Town Dec. 14, 2018 Meeting Minutes

The Board of trustees for the town of Claremont met on 12-14-18 at 7:00 p.m. in City hall. President Johnson called the meeting to order with trustees Rasmussen and Spencer in attendance. On a motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Spencer the minutes of the November meeting were approved. On a motion by Spencer and seconded by Rasmussen the following Warrants were Allowed : NWE , lights, 326.42; Halland Bros, Ag diesel, 262.55; James Valley, phone and internet, 85.27; Groton Daily Ind. publishing, 14.69; Shane Johnson, 9 meetings, 623.71; Jason Spencer, 9 meetings, 623.71; Frank Rasmussen, 9 meetings, 623.71; Charla Rye, wage, 350.00; NWE, water and sewer, 259.07; BDM, water, 830.40; Dept. of Revenue, water sample, 15.00; DPC, Inspection agreement, 760.00; First State Bank, water meter loan, 587.50; Rural Development , loan/water 576.00; Resolution number 210 authorizing an application for submitted of the application, and designating an authorized representative to certify and sign payment requests for the improvements to wastewater system was adopted at Claremont on the 14th of December 2018. Notice of public hearing for the town of Claremont wastewater improvement project was read and will be published on December 20, 2018 in Groton Daily Independent .With no further business before the board a motion to adjourn was made by Spencer and seconded by Rasmussen. Motion carried.

Charla Rye.
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Brown County Dec. 11, 2018 Meeting Minutes

DECEMBER 11, 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 and Kippley. Commissioner Fischbach was absent. Commissioner Kippley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES: Moved by Kippley, seconded by Sutton to approve the General Meeting Minutes of December 6, 2018. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

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

Professional Fees: Avera St. Luke's \$162.87; Bantz, Gosch & Cremer \$1,666.26; Compass Counseling & Assessment \$1,800.00; Kuck Law Office \$412.60; Language Line Services \$1,834.90; Lewis & Clark BHS \$825.00; Lucy Lewno \$160.00; LexisNexis \$92.95; Richardson, Wyly, Wise & Sauck \$10,406.00; Rogers Law Office \$1,579.20; SD Attorney General's Office \$295.00; SD Dept. of Revenue & Regulation \$626,771.33; Stoddard Law Office \$1,544.42; Tammy Stolle Court Reporting \$114.00; Joni Wileman \$450.00; Yankton Co. Sherriff Office \$150.00; Sara Zahn \$68.40.

Publishing: Groton Independent \$136.10; Wild Bill's Olde Fashioned Soda Pop \$1,120.00.

Repairs & Maintenance: Aberdeen Plumbing & Heating \$603.83; Big Scoop Snow Removal \$115.00; DMI \$4,200.00; Hoven Auto Repair \$36.00; Interstate PowerSystems \$21.22; Jason's Electric \$2,316.19; Leidholt Electric \$408.70; Menards \$281.59; Thee Glass Doktor \$78.75.

Supplies: AgTegra \$3,516.90; AmeriPride \$67.75; Cartney Bearing \$72.91; Crescent Electric \$653.12; D&L Diesel \$268.00; DPM \$15.25; Dakota Electronics \$3,224.65; Dakota Oil \$252.50; GovConnection \$357.75; Interstate Battery System \$19.30; Interstate PowerSystems \$763.07; J Gross Equip. \$83.30; Lucy Lewno \$4.97; Menards \$242.12; Midstates Printing \$13.99; Pierson-Ford \$255.68; Premier Biotech \$1,055.80; Satellite Tracking of People \$55.25; SD Federal Property Agency \$43.00; The Sewing Shoppe \$46.50; Thee Glass Doktor \$187.73; TranSource \$1,085.67; Wooden Mallet \$4,700.00.

Travel & Conference: Brittany O'Day \$47.94; SDSU Extension \$133.60; Town of Frederick \$50.00; Aaron Walberg \$169.16; Chris White \$222.82; Karly Winter \$469.22.

Utilities: Aberdeen City Treasurer \$69.12; AT&T \$39.24; Exec. Mgmt. \$78.52; Midcontinent \$223.42; NWPS \$4,491.68.

Other: SDACO \$932.00. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

HR REPORT: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Kippley to approve the HR Office Report, which includes the following personnel changes:

Approve the following Employee Step Increases, effective December 16, 2018: Sarah Jesz @ \$20.14 per hour; Charles Gruenstein @ \$19.03 per hour; Tonya Peterson @ \$15.63 per hour; Ermalinda Marcuson @ \$21.68 per hour; Rachel Wilson @ \$16.35 per hour.

All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

BID AWARD – SHERIFF VEHICLE: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Hansen to award the following bid for the Sheriff Department: State Contract #17257 from Pierson Ford Lincoln Inc for two (2) 2019 Ford Interceptor SUV's in amount of \$34,201.00 each (total @ \$68,402.00). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

RFP-INDIGENT DEFENSE SERVICES: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Kippley to accept the only RFP received to provide representation to Brown County Indigent Defendants presented at the August 7, 2018 Commission Meeting; and further approve and authorize the Chair sign the Indigent Counsel Agreement between Brown County and the following Contract Attorney's: Tom Cogley, Ryan Dell, Christopher Dohrer, Christopher A Haar, Scott Kuck, Jerald McNeary, Christy Griffin Serr, Jennifer Stoddard and Brandon Taliaferro, effective January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2020 in total amount of \$600,000.00 per year (monthly payments to be split evenly among the Attorneys). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

CLAIM ASSIGNMENT: Moved by Kippley, seconded by Hansen to approve and authorize the Chair sign documentation to assign claim against an individual to Credit Collections Bureau for purpose of collecting a lien. All

Groton Prairie Mixed Team Standings: Cheetahs 67, Coyotes 65, Foxes 61 1/2 Chipmunks 61, Jackelopes 54 1/2 Shih Tzus 51

Men's High Games: Randy Stanley 232, Roger Spanier 220, Brad Larson 200

Women's High Games: Sue Stanley 213, Vicki Jorgensen 200, Darci Spanier 182

Men's High Series: Randy Stanley 594, Roger Spanier 562, Brad Waage 517

Women's High Series: Vicki Jorgensen 495, Sue Stanley 484, Darci Spanier 467

Groton Coffee Cup League

Dec. 18 Team Standing: Kens 8, James Valley 7, Biker Chix 5, Ten Pins 4.

High Games: Mary Jane Jark 222, LaVonne Raap 166, Nancy Radke 159.

High Series: Mary Jane Jark 517, Joyce Walter 434, Sam Bahr 432

members present voting aye. Motion carried.

AUDITORS REPORT OF ACCOUNT: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Kippley to approve the November 2018 Auditor's Report of Account with the County Treasurer in total amount of \$16,360,817.16 (total amount of actual cash @ \$5,000.00, US Bank @ \$95,305.05, Dacotah Bank @ \$8,532,215.61, Petty Cash/Change Funds @ \$2,600.00, Fund Investments @ \$7,725,696.50). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ASSESSMENT NOTICE QUOTES: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Kippley to approve the Assessment Notice Print/ Mail Quote, submitted by Borns Group in amount of \$1,680.00 plus postage; rejecting Quality Quick Print @ \$1,940.00 plus postage. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

NECOG AGREEMENT: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Kippley to approve and authorize the Chair sign Joint Cooperative Agreement with NECOG for 2019 in amount of \$24,746.02. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

LOTTERY PERMIT: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Kippley to approve application, submitted by the Stratford American Legion Post 207 for lottery to be held at the Stratford Community Hall on January 13, 2019. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

RESTRICTED USE SITE PERMIT: Commissioner Hansen offered the following Resolution: RESOLUTION #74-18. Restricted Use Solid Waste Disposal Facility Permit for the Town of Columbia.

WHEREAS, the Town of Columbia desires to establish a Restricted Use Storage and Disposal Facility for the purpose of Solid Waste Management; and WHEREAS, the Town of Columbia has approved the establishment of the proposed facility; and WHEREAS, the establishment of this proposed facility is not in conflict with any established zoning laws or ordinances; and WHEREAS, the Town of Columbia will file a solid waste application with the South Dakota Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR); and WHEREAS, the DENR will review the application to determine that the facility can be operated within South Dakota laws and regulations; and WHEREAS, the DENR may recommend the approval of the permit renewal with conditions adequate to safeguard the environment; and WHEREAS, the Board of Minerals and Environment will review, modify, approve or deny the permit if the tentative recommendations and/or conditions of the permit are contested by any interested party; and WHEREAS, the County Commission of Brown County is required to acknowledge application for renewal of a solid waste facility permit prior to the issuance of a solid waste permit. NOW, IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the County Commission of Brown County hereby approves construction and operation of the proposed facility to be operated under the terms of a solid waste permit to be issued by the Board of Minerals and Environment. Approved this 11th day of December 2018. Seconded by Commissioner Sutton. Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-aye, Sutton-aye, Fischbach-absent, Kippley-aye, Fjeldheim-aye. Resolution adopted.

SET HEARING DATE 2018 BROWN COUNTY BUDGET SUPPLEMENT: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Sutton to authorize advertising a public hearing, to be held by the Brown County Commission on the 27th day of December 2018 beginning at 8:50 a.m. in the Brown County Commission Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Aberdeen, SD to consider supplementing the 2018 fiscal year budget, as follows: General Fund – Jail 101-5-212 @ \$200,000.00; Court Security 101-5-214 @ \$100,000.00, to be funded by undesignated surplus cash in the General Fund #101-5.101.99 @ \$300,000.00. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

EQUIPMENT PURCHASE: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Hansen to authorize purchase of a 1997 Ford F700 from Federal Surplus (Stock # 704-F0624) in amount of \$9,500.00 for the Fairgrounds. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

EXCHANGE OF LAND WITH PRIVATE OWNER: A discussion was held in regard to the exchange of approximately 60 acres of county owned land at Richmond Lake for approximately 40 acres of privately owned land adjacent to the Fairgrounds. Moved by Sutton,

seconded by Hansen to proceed with the exchange of the SE 1/4 of Sec 23-T124N-R65W of the 5th P.M. except Richmond Lake and Land Deeded, Brown County, SD (owned by the County) for the SW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Sec 1-T123N-R64W, Brown County, SD (owned by Edwards Legacy Family Limited Partnership); and per SDCL 6-5-4, authorize advertising a public hearing for January 2, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. for input and possible action, to be held in the Commissioner's Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, SD. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

RFP GRANDSTAND FAIR CONCESSIONS: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Hansen to postpone approval of either proposal received December 6, 2018 for the Grandstand Fair Concessions until December 18, 2018. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Kippley to adjourn the Brown County Commission at 10:40 a.m. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor

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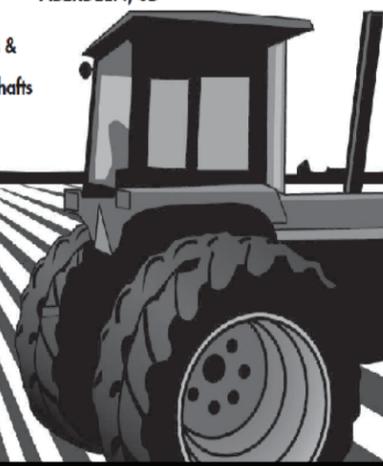
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Groton Area Schedule of Events

Thursday, December 20, 2018

4:00pm: Basketball: Girls 7th/8th Game vs. Ipswich @ Ipswich High School (7th Grade 4pm 8th Grade 5pm)

6:30pm: Basketball: Girls Varsity Game vs. Ipswich @ Ipswich

Friday, December 21, 2018

End of 2nd Quarter

1:00pm: Elementary Christmas Concert at Groton Area High School

2:00pm: Early Dismissal Groton Area School District

Thursday, January 3, 2019

School Resumes

6:00pm: Wrestling: Boys Varsity Triangular vs. Redfield-Doland, Webster Area High School @ Webster Area High School



Ryan Fjeldheim's friends wanted to share their love for him by wishing Ryan a Happy 40th Birthday on Sunday! (Photo by Paul Kosel)



As Deb Schuelke put it, "This is where miracles happen!" Deb was working on organizing the customs for the Carnival of Silver Skates. This is her fourth year being on the Silver Skates board of directors and her speciality is costume designs. According to Schuelke, there are more out for Carnival of Silver Skates this year than last year, roughly over 100 skates will be taking to the ice. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



This group of talented Groton Area teachers was out and about spreading Christmas cheer Thursday and one of the stops was at James Valley Telecommunications. (Photo lifted from NVC Facebook Video)

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