



## Merry Christmas from the Groton Area Kindergarten Students



Amara Freeland, daughter of Sara Freeland, Houghton. What does Christmas mean to me? Is lots of presents and toys.



Andi Iverson, daughter of Jeremy and Jacki Iverson, Groton. What does Christmas means to me? I will see my cousins and grandma and grandpa



Brayson Hubbs, son of Kandi and Dustin Wiseman, Columbia. What does Christmas means to me? A Christmas tree and Santa and the reindeer



Ayce Warrington, son of Neil and Amy Warrington, Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? Celebrate Jesus' birthday and to get presents



Ambrielle Feist, daughter of Michael and Ashley Feist, Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? About opening presents



Addison Steffes, daughter of Jared and Jennie Steffes, Bristol. What does Christmas mean to me? Giving people some presents



Cash Reif, son of Kyle and Margo Reif, Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? Happy and open presents



Bella Barrera, daughter of Tasha and Beltran Barrera, Groton. What does Christmas me to me? presents



Caelynn Pullan, daughter of Danielle and Jason Pullan, Columbia. What does Christmas mean to me? That we get presents



Brynlee Dunker, daughter of Craig and Tasha Dunker, Conde. What does Christmas means to me? Jesus and Santa



Charli Jacobse, daughter of Matt and Nicole Jacobsen, Conde. What does Christmas means to me? You get presents and have fun



Cheyenne Powell, daughter of Amber Hommel and John Powell, Andover. What does Christmas mean to me? Being with your family



Colton Morehouse, son of Brent and Jessica Morehouse, Andover. What does Christmas means to me? Santa and reindeer and Christmas tree



Connor Hagenson, son of Anthony Hagenson and Parmalie Hagenson, Aberdeen. What does Christmas mean to me? decorate your tree and get presents



Drew Fjeldheim, son of Ryan and Sue Fjeldheim, Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? fun, getting to spend time with our cousins in Fargo.



Carter Boerger, son of Kristen Winther and Jayme Boerger, Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? It means you get presents



Graham Rose, son of Ian and Karen Rose, Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? Ornaments on my tree



Danielle Franken, daughter of Adam and Jenna Franken, Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? The birth of Jesus'

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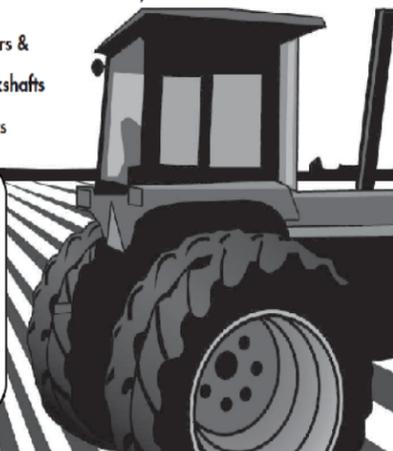
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Easton Larson, son of Josh and Desa Larson, Columbia. What does Christmas mean to me? It is Jesus' birthday



Grady Zeck, son of Trevor and Jessie Zeck, Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? Presents and snowball fights



Hank Hill, son of Jason and Tara Hill, Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? Santa comes and snow and elves



Hadley Heilman, daughter of David and Kari Heilman, Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? Presents from Santa.



Ivan Schwan, son of Anna and Brett Schwan, Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? Presents and toys.



Kinton Tracy, son of Ryan and Carla Tracy, Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? Fun to open presents.



Quinton Flores, son of Jackie Krueger, Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? Having time with my family.



Preston Hinkelman, son of Anje and Delbert Hinkelman, Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? Santa gives me new boots.



Libby Johnson, daughter of Gene and Tayla Johnson, Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? It is baby Jesus' birthday.



Emmett Zoellner, Son of Casey and Kayla Zoellner, Conde. What does Christmas mean to me? playing in the snow and play with toys



Jaila Flihs, daughter of Lance and JoAnn Flihs, Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? Dress up like Santa Claus and play with my brothers



Kendall Kroll, daughter of John and Katie Kroll, Bath. What does Christmas mean to me? You can decorate the Christmas tree



Kinley Sandness, daughter of Brock and Julie Sandness, Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? We get to open presents and get toys



Knox Mulder, son of Tony and Jackie Mulder, Bath. What does Christmas mean to me? toys, Christmas trees and Santa



Lilly Davies, daughter of Tony and Christine Davies, Columbia. What does Christmas mean to me? you get presents and it is Jesus' birthday at Christmas



Maycee Moody, daughter of Eric and Darcie Moody, Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? We celebrate God's birthday



Taylynn Traphagen, daughter of Trent and Heather Traphagen, Aberdeen. What does Christmas mean to me? It is Jesus' birthday



Zoe Olson, daughter of Ryan and Carrie Olson, Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? Baby Jesus has a birthday



Tristan Powell, son of Amber Hommel and John Powell, Andover. What does Christmas mean to me? The Christmas trees are cool.



Rylee Hofer, daughter of Jennifer and Mark Hofer, Columbia. What does Christmas mean to me? It's God's birthday.

**Bentley Ehresmann,** son of Tracy Johnson and Chris Ehresmann, Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? I want a football and presents.

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Mason Locke, is the son of Matt and Tammy Locke, Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? it means to be with family and be nice

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# Traphagen comes off the bench to lead Groton Area at Ipswich



**Jennie Doeden tries to get closer to the basket.** (Photo by Paul Kosel)

It was a game of rallies Thursday at Ipswich with Ipswich coming out the victor in girls' basketball action, 49-35. Ipswich had an eight-point and an 11-point rally in the first half. The game was tied twice and the lead changed hands three times before Ipswich held an 8-7 first quarter lead. The game was tied once more and the lead changed hands two more times early in the second quarter. Ipswich would take a 16-11 lead and turn it into 27-11 in the second quarter to take a 29-13 lead at half time.

Groton Area rallied in the third quarter, scoring 12 straight points to cut Ipswich's lead to six, 31-25, but Ipswich took advantage of Groton Area's turnovers to take a 35-25 lead after three quarters. Groton Area had 20 turnovers with 17 of them being steals by Ipswich and Ipswich had seven turnovers with six of them being steals.

Groton Area had more rebounds, 42-29. Both teams made 14 of 47 field goals but Ipswich made five three-pointers while Groton did not make any. Ipswich was 14 of 22 from the line off of Groton Area's 17 team fouls and Groton Area was seven of 11 of off Ipswich's 14 team fouls.

Gracie Traphagen came off the bench to lead Groton Area in scoring with 12 points followed by Jennie Doeden with nine, Payton Maine, Miranda Hanson and Kaycie Hawkins each had four points and Eliza Wanner added two points.

Halle Heinz led Ipswich with 20 points, scoring 15 of them in the first half. Abigail Grabowska added 12 points, Tessa Kilber eight, Kamryn Heinz four, Aleah Steger three and Baily Hammrich added two free throws.

Groton Area won the junior varsity game, 24-16. Scoring for Groton Area: Grace Traphagen had eight points in the second quarter, Kenzie McInerney had six, Trista Keith five, Allyssa Locke and Maddie Bjerke each had two and Caitlyn Barse added one.

Ipswich won the eighth grade game, 20-15. Aspen Johnson had six points, Shallyn Foertsch had three and Emma Schinkel and Marly Tollefson each had two points.

Groton Area won the seventh grade game, 20-8. Anna Fjeldheim had six points, and adding four points apiece were Sydney Leight, Emma Schinkel and Carley Guthmiller with Karsyn Jangula adding two points.

Groton Area is now 2-2 on the season and will resume action next year with a double header at Hamlin on January 4.

The broadcast of the Ipswich game was sponsored by the Aberdeen Chrysler Center. Make sure you tell them "thank you" and patronize them as well.

- Paul Kosel



**Emma Schinkel goes to the basket to make a layup in the eighth grade game.**

(Photo by Paul Kosel)



**Tying up this Ipswich player were Ashton Bahr, Marlee Tollefson and Shallyn Foertsch in the eighth grade game.**

(Photo by Paul Kosel)



**Miranda Hanson tries for a three-point-er.** (Photo by Paul Kosel)

*Merry Christmas!*



Parker Zoellner, son of Darin and Anne Zoellner, Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? Open presents and eat Christmas cookies



Victoria Schuster, daughter of Tom and Sarah Schuster, Bath. What does Christmas mean to me? Open presents and eat Gingerbread houses

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Mya Moody, daughter of Eric and Darcie Moody, Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? Having presents



Rayna Loeschke, daughter of Jerrica Loeschke and Derick Johnson, Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? See my Grandma and Grandpa and celebrate Christmas at my house



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**Brown County  
Dec. 18, 2018  
Meeting Minutes**

DECEMBER 18, 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 Fischbach led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MINUTES:** Moved by Sutton, seconded by Hansen to approve the General Meeting Minutes of December 11, 2018. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

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

**Professional Fees:** Avera Queen of Peace \$92.00; Avera St. Lukes \$186.70; City of Aberdeen \$472.94; Century Business Products \$151.67; Ryan S. Dell, LLC \$244.40; Dohrer Law Office \$2,237.20; Fox, Youngberg & Lewno \$188.00; Michelle Gaikowski \$23.80; Christopher A. Haar \$352.61; Mark Katterhagen \$37.50; Kuck Law Office \$2,680.95; Language Line Services \$1,166.85; Lucy Lewno \$345.00; Lincoln County Treasurer \$611.90; Darcy Lockwood \$37.50; Marilyn Trefz \$157.50; Sanford Health \$918.60; SD Department of Health \$7,975.00; SD Department of Legislative Audit \$27,939.90; SD Retirement System \$45.00; Christy Griffin-Serr Law Office \$8,107.50; Taliaferro Law Firm \$12,202.20; US Bank \$160.00; Mitch Vilhauer \$2,568.60; West Payment Center \$165.00; Yankton County Sheriff Office \$50.00.

**Publishing:** Aberdeen American News \$6,830.40; Groton Independent \$812.86.

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**Utilities:** City of Aberdeen \$280.82; Quest Corporation \$2,512.07; City of Heda \$280.91; Dependable Sanitation \$286.00; Economy Propane \$2,088.45; James Valley Telecommunications \$228.70; Northern Electric Coop Inc \$217.48; Northwestern Energy & Communication \$2,855.07; Northern Valley Communications \$3,556.04; US Bank \$503.98; Verizon Wireless Services LLC \$3,436.67; Web Water Development \$76.34.

**Other:** James River Acct \$19,770.44; Safe Harbor \$595.00. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

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

Authorize payment of retirement award per policy D-3 Retirement to Tom Schmitt in amount of \$150.00 before taxes as requirements were met.

Authorize resignation of Joe Adam, effective December 29, 2018; and further approve

request to fill vacancy; and approve re-hiring Joe as temporary part-time employee at current rate during transition period.

Acknowledge the following miles driven and amount to be taxed for personal use of County vehicles during the month of September 2018: Kendall Titze – 66 @ \$35.97, Dirk Rogers – 589 @ \$321.01, Mike Scott – 170 @ \$92.65, Gary Vetter – 104 @ \$56.68.

Acknowledge the following miles driven and amount to be taxed for personal use of County vehicles during the month of October 2018: Kendall Titze – 126 @ \$68.67, Dirk Rogers – 646 @ \$352.07, Mike Scott – 210 @ \$114.45, Gary Vetter – 137 @ \$74.67.

Acknowledge the following miles driven and amount to be taxed for personal use of County vehicles during the month of November 2018: Kendall Titze – 102 @ \$55.59, Dirk Rogers – 646 @ \$352.07, Mike Scott – 130 @ \$70.85, Gary Vetter – 122 @ \$66.49.

Authorize all employees receive a \$0.25 raise, effective December 16, 2018, except Coroner and Deputy Coroners (\$150 per call); Blood Draw Professionals (\$50 per draw); On-call Nursing Professionals (\$15 per phone call, \$35 per on site visit one hour or less, \$25 per hour for on site visit over one hour); Planning & Zoning Board and Weed & Pest Board Members (\$40 per meeting attended); Prisoner Transport Guards \$100 per day for each round trip less than 400 miles, \$125 per day for each round trip over 400 miles.

Approve additional one time annual increase above the \$0.25 per hour for the following: Dirk Rogers @ \$5,000; Aaron Walberg @ \$2,000.

All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**SQUARE 9 SOFTWARE SUPPORT AGREEMENT:** Moved by Sutton, seconded by Fischbach to approve and authorize the Chair sign Agreement with Century Business Products for the Software Support Agreement for the Voucher System and States Attorneys System (Square 9), effective December 30, 2018 in amount of \$10,400.00. All members present voting aye.

Motion carried.

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT:** Moved by Sutton, seconded by Hansen to approve and authorize the Chair sign Agreement with Northeast Council of Governments (NECOG) for Comprehensive Plan Assistance in amount not to exceed \$7,500.00 (current payment of \$6,500.00 due and payable). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**JAIL CONTRACT:** Moved by Sutton, seconded by Kippley to approve and authorize the Chair sign Contract with Faulk County for housing Brown County inmates at the Faulk County Jail at \$85.00 per inmate per day or partial day. 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 2019 Brown County Fair: Randy Buker - Hypnosis Show at \$1,250.00 per day; Disc-Connected K-9s, Inc/Lawrence Frederick (Dog performances) at \$7,000.00. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**ORD 128 – FIRST READING:** Moved by Hansen, seconded by Sutton to approve First Reading of Ordinance #128, 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 1, Schuring Addition in the SW ¼ of Sec 32-T123N-R60W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (40706 136th Street). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**ORD 129 – FIRST READING:** Moved by Hansen, seconded by Sutton to approve First Reading of Ordinance #129, 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: Claeys Outlot A in the SE ¼ of Sec 20-T128N-R63W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (38954 104th Street). All

members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**ORD 130 – FIRST READING:** Moved by Hansen, seconded by Sutton to approve First Reading of Ordinance #130, 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 1 Larson-Johnson Addition in the SW ¼ of Sec 26-T125N-R62W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (12284 389th Ave). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**SUNDIAL SUBMISSION POLICY:** Moved by Sutton, seconded by Hansen to approve the following policy in regard to payroll submission (SunDial): all departments, except for 24/7 365 days/year Departments, unless given permission by the Commission, will be required to submit payroll approval by 5PM Monday of payroll week. Sheriff, Jail, 24/7, and Dispatch will be required to submit payroll by 5PM Tuesday of payroll week. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSIONS:** Moved by Hansen, seconded by Sutton to go into executive session to consult with legal counsel on proposed and pending litigation, per SDCL 1-25-2(3) with Chris White 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. Moved by Sutton, seconded by Hansen to go into executive session to discuss personnel, per SDCL 1-25-2(1) with Chris White and Gary Vetter in attendance. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. The Chair declared the executive session closed, with no action taken as a result of the discussion.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Moved by Sutton, seconded by Kippley to adjourn the Brown County Commission at 10:35 a.m. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

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**Women's High Games:** Sue Stanley 185, Karen Spanier 173, Angie Carlson 173, Darci Spanier 171

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**Groton School  
Dec. 10, 2018  
Meeting Minutes**

UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

GROTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 06-6

REGULAR MEETING  
December 10, 2018

President Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Conference Room. Members present: Fjeldstad, Harder, Pharis, Rix, Smith and Weismantel. Absent: Gengerke. Others present: Superintendent J. Schwan, Principal Sombke and Business Official Weber.

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

Pursuant to SDCL 23-3, there was no potential conflict disclosure reported.

Moved by Weismantel, second Fjeldstad to approve consent agenda items as follows: North Central Special Ed Coop school of record agenda items, November 12 District minutes, bills, financial report, agency report, transportation report, and public-school exemption #19-12.

Motion carried.

**GENERAL FUND:** Net Salary – 189,200.56; FIT – 17,945.84; Medicare – 7,091.68; FICA – 30,323.02; American Funds Service Co. – 313.90; Washington National – 98.40; SD Retirement – 29,236.22; Waddell & Reed – 1,784.80; Horace Mann – 1,111.61; Thrivent – 228.90; AFLAC – 3,032.91; Delta Dental – 4,036.28; SD Supplemental Retirement – 981.19; Wellmark – 59,976.00; Reliastar – 603.33; GASD Health Deferral – 190.25; Avesis Vision – 239.41; Ace Refrigeration – repairs, 561.00; Acme Tools – parts, 57.19; Advance Auto – oil, 162.30; Agency Fund – advanced pays, 48,156.87; Cole Papers – supplies, 297.16; Dakotaland Autoglass – supplies, 43.42; Days Inn Mitchell – lodging, 165.00; Dependable Sanitation – garbage, 1,254.50; Adam Franken – meals, 15.00; Groton Area School – donation, 50.00; Groton Area Food – food sales, 373.10; Groton Chiropractic – bus physical, 95.00; GDI – ad, 119.37; Hartford Steam Boiler – inspection, 70.00; JW Pepper – music, 261.65; Jeff's District & Drain – repairs, 133.00; Jostens – diploma covers, 293.16; Matheson

– supplies, 142.32; National Speech & Debate – memberships, 40.00; Northside Implement – repairs, 2,911.26; Northwestern Energy – natural gas, 1,864.07; Petty Cash – meals, 12.00; S&S Lumber – supplies, 4,434.38; School Specialty – tagboard, 37.98; Sarah Schuster – VB Clinic, 1,500.00; SD Dept of Public Safety – scale calibration, 28.00; SDCA – registrations, 535.00; Martin Weismantel – travel expenses, 76.00. Total General Fund – \$410,183.03.

**CAPITAL OUTLAY:** A&B Business – HS laminator, print agreement, 2,336.93; Agency Fund – advanced pays, 777.95; Dougherty & Company – fees, 400.00; First National Bank Sioux Falls – elementary interest/principal, 600,025.00; First National Wealth Management – registrar's fee, 600.00; Groton Area School – general fund transfer, 150,000.00; Hauff Mid-America – jerseys/shorts, 447.00; Make-music – subscription, 544.00; Northside Implement – repairs, 19,350.33; S&S Lumber – materials/projects, 512.44. Total Capital Outlay Fund - \$774,993.65.

**SPECIAL ED:** Net Salary – 30,318.59; FIT – 2,397.51;

Medicare – 1,112.26; FICA – 4,755.86; SD Retirement – 4,583.74; Waddell & Reed – 200.00; AFLAC – 774.68; Delta Dental – 707.34; SD

Supplemental Retirement – 50.00; Wellmark – 10,057.00; Reliastar – 141.79; Avesis Vision Care – 53.45; Agency Fund – advanced pays, 141.09; Avera St. Luke's – PT/OT, 10,673.66; Judy or Gene Williamson – mileage, 740.88. Total Special Ed – \$66,707.85.

**BOND REDEMPTION FUND:** First National Bank Sioux Falls – arena bond interest/principal, 209,766.25; First National Wealth Management – fee, 500.00. Total Bond – \$210,766.25.

**CAPITAL PROJECTS:** Architectural Roofing & Sheet Metal – elementary work, 23,904.95. **ENTERPRISE:** Food Service Net Salary – 7,429.84; FIT – 403.35; Medicare – 259.40; FICA – 1,109.06; SD Retirement – 651.62; AFLAC – 252.23; Wellmark – 1,526.00; Reliastar – 1.30; Avesis Vision – 54.70; Agency Fund – advanced pays, 410.43; Cintas Corporation – cleaning, 147.42; CWD – food, 1,215.51; Dean Foods – milk, 773.06; Earthgrains –

food, 139.20; Reinhart – food, 4,435.03; SD Dept of Ed – food, 102.90; US Foods – food, 3,398.82. Total Food Service – \$22,309.87. OST Net Salary – 2,419.31; FIT – 126.53; Medicare – 84.18; FICA – 360.08; SD Retirement – 242.16; AFLAC – 163.93; Wellmark – 671.00; Reliastar – 15.44; Agency Funds – advanced pays, 525.55. Total OST – \$4,608.18. Total Enterprise Funds – \$26,392.50

**AGENCY FUND:** Total – \$71,424.03.

**RECEIPTS:** Local Sources, Taxes – 2,072,119.46; Other Local Sources – 111,444.57; County Sources – 4,043.86; State Sources – 515.97; Federal Sources – 35,259.65. Total Receipts – \$2,223,383.51.

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.

Moved by Pharis, second Rix to approve second reading of recommended amendment to MS/HS Handbook regarding dual credit enrollment. Motion carried.

There were no committee reports given.

Following topics were discussed in administrative reports: Governor's Budget Address, statewide superintendent meeting, school report cards, 2019-20 school calendar draft, teacher evaluations, OST update, DIBELS testing, 5th grade robotics unit, SDAESP meeting, new playground equipment, dual credit student list, Tour of Kindness, ACT practice test and fund balance update.

United Methodist and Emmanuel Lutheran churches requested school buses for caroling. Moved by Weismantel, second Rix to approve and waive the charge per mile activity rate. Motion carried.

Smith was appointed AS-BSD Legislative Action Network member for the 2019 legislative session.

Moved by Weismantel, second Pharis to adjourn at 7:58 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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MONTHLY DISTRICT FINANCIAL REPORT FOR GROTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT 06-6  
For the reporting period beginning July 1, 2018, and ending November 30, 2018

	General Fund	Restricted Gen Funds	Capital Outlay	Special Education	Pension Fund	Bond Redemption	Capital Projects	Enterprise Fund	Agency Fund	Total for District
<b>1. Beginning Balance</b>	<b>897,628.74</b>	<b>32,052.21</b>	<b>489,434.08</b>	<b>12,306.23</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>134,552.63</b>	<b>1,314,764.45</b>	<b>48,128.70</b>	<b>247,806.64</b>	<b>3,176,673.68</b>
a. cash	897,628.74	32,052.21	489,434.08	12,306.23	0.00	134,552.63	1,314,764.45	48,128.70	247,806.64	3,176,673.68
b. petty cash	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>2. Transfers in</b>										
<b>3. Revenue to date</b>	<b>2,301,973.18</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>669,445.59</b>	<b>410,533.10</b>	<b>155.66</b>	<b>99,396.21</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>120,232.08</b>	<b>400,082.50</b>	<b>4,001,818.32</b>
<b>4. Total accounted for</b>	<b>3,199,601.92</b>	<b>32,052.21</b>	<b>1,158,879.67</b>	<b>422,839.33</b>	<b>155.66</b>	<b>233,948.84</b>	<b>1,314,764.45</b>	<b>168,360.78</b>	<b>647,889.14</b>	<b>7,178,492.00</b>
<b>5. Transfers out</b>										
<b>6. Expenditures to date</b>	<b>1,663,240.27</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>378,287.89</b>	<b>231,359.11</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>272,027.55</b>	<b>122,719.86</b>	<b>468,361.85</b>	<b>3,135,996.53</b>
a. encumbrances	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
b. disbursements	1,663,240.27	0.00	378,287.89	231,359.11	0.00	0.00	272,027.55	122,719.86	468,361.85	3,135,996.53
<b>7. Ending Balance</b>	<b>1,536,361.65</b>	<b>32,052.21</b>	<b>780,591.78</b>	<b>191,480.22</b>	<b>155.66</b>	<b>233,948.84</b>	<b>1,042,736.90</b>	<b>45,640.92</b>	<b>179,727.29</b>	<b>4,042,695.47</b>
a. checking	1,536,361.65	32,052.21	780,591.78	191,480.22	155.66	233,948.84	1,042,736.90	45,640.92	179,527.29	4,042,695.47
b. petty cash	(0.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	200.00
November Receipts	1,235,622.28	0.00	506,714.58	306,823.09	0.00	69,045.95	0.00	38,543.46	66,634.15	2,223,383.51
November Expenses	405,342.53	0.00	17,646.35	65,018.90	0.00	0.00	336.35	31,280.57	71,424.03	591,048.73
Agency Checking	179,527.29									
District Checking	3,862,968.18									
Certificate of Deposit	0.00									
Agency Cash on Hand	200.00									
<b>Total all Funds</b>	<b>4,042,695.47</b>									

# Groton Area Schedule of Events

Thursday, January 3, 2019

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

# The Life of Emery Sippel

Services for Emery Sippel, 97, of Groton will be 11:00 a.m., Thursday, December 27th at the United Methodist Church, Groton. Pastor Brandon Dunham will officiate. Burial will follow in Sunset Memorial Gardens under the direction of Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton.



Visitation will be held at the chapel on Wednesday from 5-7 p.m. with a prayer service at 7:00 p.m.

Emery passed away December 22, 2018 at his home.

Emery Arthur Sippel was born on November 25, 1921, on the family farm near Groton, to Albert and Bertha (Johnson) Sippel. He attended country school, first through eighth grade. He later graduated from Groton High School in 1941.

Emery worked for various farmers until he enlisted in the navy in 1943. He attended boot camp at Farragut, Idaho and then went to Seattle, Washington. While serving in WWII, he was stationed on the Prince William aircraft carrier for two years. His job was to work with pilots to land aircraft. He was also on lookout for submarines. They used no lights on the ship, only signals. Emery's rank was ABMAG2C (Aviation Boatswain's Mate Arresting Gear Petty Officer 2nd Class). He spent time in Guam, Okinawa, and the Philippine Islands. Emery was honorably discharged in 1946 in San Diego.

In the fall of 1946, he went to Minneapolis to do cement finishing. In 1950 he moved back to Groton to help his brother Arnold with harvest. He met Marlys Bonn in 1950, and they married July 2, 1952. Emery and Marlys took over Putney Oil on June 1, 1952. They later renamed it Sippel Oil. They also ran the Putney Store and post office. They lived above the Putney store until 1961, when they built their first home. Emery drove a race car weekly for four years (1956-1959) at Speedy Hollow in Bath and at Tacoma Park. His car was called the Putney 11.

Emery and Marlys built the Red Horse Inn in Groton in 1971, where they moved Sippel Oil Company. In 1973, they built a new home in Groton. They ran the Red Horse from 1972-1975. They continued to run Sippel Oil until 1992, when they sold to Wheat Growers and Emery retired. Marlys passed away May 12, 1994. Emery lived with his daughter Mendy and her family for 24 years until the time of his death.

Emery was a member of the Masons for over 60 years, and the Groton American Legion Post 39 for over 70 years, where he served as commander and vice-commander for many years. Emery enjoyed spending time at his cabin at Pickeral Lake for over 60 years. He was an avid hunter and fisherman, taking many fishing trips to Canada and making hunting trips to the Black Hills for about 70 years. Emery continued to work on his son Marc's farm until the time of his death, and he continued to plant a huge garden there – giving away produce to his children and friends. He enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and liked to attend their activities. Emery was proud that all of his children lived within 16 miles of him, and always celebrated birthdays and holidays together as a family.

Celebrating his life through memories are his children: Meri (John) Erickson; Marc (Franne) Sippel; Monte (Sandi) Sippel; Marjae (Dan) Schinkel; Mendy (Jim) Jones; Melissa (Neil) Gilbert, all of Groton; Grandchildren Seth (Megan) Erickson, Evan Erickson, Sydney Wilkinson, Camille Sippel, Anthony Sippel, Alyssa Sippel, Madison Sippel, Sarah Sippel, Danielle Schinkel, Jasmine Schinkel, Anthony Schinkel, Emma Schinkel, Marlee Jones, Austin Jones, Emerlee Jones, Brooklyn Gilbert and Carly Gilbert. Great-Grandchildren Haley and Max Erickson and Calli Wilkinson; and sister-in-law Hilda Sippel.

Preceding him in death were his parents, wife Marlys, daughter Marcia, brothers Lester, Arnold, and Ralph, sister Edith Hughes, infant sister Irene, and brother-in-law Frank Hughes.

Pallbearers will be Seth Erickson, Evan Erickson, Anthony Sippel, Austin Jones, Anthony Schinkel, and John Sippel. Honorary pallbearers will be Les Dohman, Dick Kolker, Harry Pharis, Jr., Benny Schaller, T.J. Harder, and Cliff Pray.



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## Service Notice: Evelyn James

Phoenix, Arizona-A Celebration of Life for Evelyn James will be 2:00 p.m. on Monday, January 7th at the Columbia Congregational Church. Rev. Jon Damsoka will officiate. Inurnment will follow in Houghton Cemetery. Visitation will held on Sunday at Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton from 5-7 p.m. with a prayer service at 7:00 p.m.

Evelyn passed away December 8, 2018 at Brookdale Senior Living in Phoenix.

**Holiday Trash Pick-Up**  
Garbage pick-up will NOT be on Christmas Day instead pick-up will be the following day, Wednesday, December 26th!!  
Garbage WILL be picked up on New Year's Day, January 1st!!