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Moorlach returns to Groton-Conde Methodist Parish



Rob Moorlach

by Dorene Nelson

Rob Moorlach, the new pastor at the United Methodist Church in Groton, SD, was here fifteen years ago in 2008 and 2009. "While serving this church, I received an offer to work for the Kentucky Conference of the United Methodist Church," Moorlach explained. "Altogether I've served in six different places." "I started my ministry in 1991 in North Dakota," he said. "After that I was in Howard, SD for twelve

years, followed by Groton, (1 1/2 years), Louisville, KY (3 years), Jackson, MN (8 years), and Oakes, ND (2 years).'

"I was born in the Netherlands to a Dutch father and an American mother," Moorlach stated. "My mother was from Glencoe, MN, and met the man who would become her husband when he was in the States, working in a flour mill in Fergus Falls, MN. I have three brothers, all living in the Midwest."

"I grew up near Brandon, SD, graduating from high school at Brandon Valley in 1983. Following my high school graduation, I enrolled in Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, KY," he said. "I graduated from the seminary in 1991 and have been in church work ever since for a total of 32

years," Moorlach stated.

"Other than serving in the local church, I also worked in the area of administering the pension and health plans for the United Methodist Churches in the Dakotas," he explained. "Doing this work here led me to Kentucky for three years before returning back to the local church."

"I've had some health issues including an ankle fusion," he stated. "The ankle surgery and recovery was at least a three month process!"

"I enjoy traveling and have been to all 50 states and a handful of foreign countries," Moorlach said. "I am a fan of Frank Lloyd Wright architecture and love to cheer on the local high school athletic teams."

"Spending time in the local community activities as I share the love of Jesus Christ is what I really love to do," he explained. "I would like to substitute for the Groton Area School District and will come equipped with dollar bills."

"I like to ask 'dollar questions' as I teach," Moorlach smiled. "The questions are related to the subject matter but are not necessarily part of the lesson. The surprise dollar reward keeps the students interested and eager to answer."

"I'm glad to be back in Groton again," he admitted. "My first time serving these fine people went smoothly, and I expect the second time around to be even better!"

City Park gets new speaker system





The Groton City Park has a new sound system thanks to the efforts of Enrich Groton SoDak, Inc. About \$15,000 was fundraised for the project and a \$5,000 Heartland Energy Economic Development Grant was applied for and received. Eight speakers were installed in the park by Pauer Sound of Aberdeen. It will get its first try-out on July 9th when the Groton Lions Club Summer Fest/Car Show will be held at the park. Enrich Groton SoDak, Inc. oversees the Common Cents Community Thrift Store and the Food Pantry.

Weekly Vikings Recap - Worst Moments in Metrodome History

By Jack & Duane Kolsrud

Similar to the past few weeks, there has been no major news regarding the Minnesota Vikings. However, although not the most exciting topic, the Vikings did release their training camp schedule, which will hold 14 practices open to Vikings fans from July 29 - August 24. Fans will finally get to see what the offense will look like with newly acquired Jordan Addison and what the defense will look like with Brian Flores at the lead.

Because of the lack of news, we will continue our discussion of fun Vikings topics. This week we will discuss the worst Vikings moments in Metrodome History.

1998 NFC Championship Game (1998) For the Minnesota Vikings, heartbreak is in the franchise's DNA. However, for all the heartbreaks this franchise has had, most of them did not occur inside the walls of the Metrodome. With that said, of all the heartbreaks in Vikings franchise history, the loss in the 1998 NFC Championship might be the worst of them all.

Coming into the 1998 NFC Championship, the Vikings were poised to win their first Super Bowl in franchise history. The team had a 15-1 record and had scored the most points ever by a team in a regular season. To make the loss even worse, the Vikings were huge 11-point favorites to beat the Atlanta Falcons in the game. In the Super Bowl era, there have been nine teams favored by 11 or more points in the conference championship game. Of those nine teams, the Vikings are the only ones to lose.

If you ask a Vikings fan about the 1998 NFC Championship game, the first player that will get brought up is Vikings' kicker Gary Anderson. Anderson, who had not missed a kick all season, had an opportunity to give the Vikings a 10-point lead late in the 4th quarter. However, as we all know, Anderson missed the kick, and the Falcons went down and scored to send the game to overtime, where they would upset the Vikings on a Morten Anderson field goal.

Of all the Vikings' 63 seasons, the 1998 Minnesota Vikings might be the best one. Sadly, they could not get the job done, and Vikings fans are still waiting for the purple and gold to hoist the Lombardi Trophy.

Tony Dorsett' 99-Yard Run (1982)

In the Vikings' first season in the Metrodome, the team hosted the Dallas Cowboys late in the season. With the Cowboys backed up on their one-yard line, the Cowboys decided to hand the ball off to their hall-of-fame running



back, Tony Dorsett. Dorsett then did the rest walked into those politics, a Wishek Centenas he took off and scored the longest rushing touchdown in NFL history. Thanks to Derrick Henry, who tied that rushing record in 2018 against the Jacksonville Jaguars, the Vikings now no longer have to be the only team to give up a 99-yard run in NFL history.

The Metrodome Roof Collapses (2010) Many Vikings fans had high expectations for the team in 2010. The team had just come off a loss in the NFC Championship game the year prior and brought back nearly every starter from that team. However, the season quickly fell apart as the Vikings finished with a 6-10 record and fired their head coach, Brad Childress, midway through the season.

The most notable thing about that season was not the play on the field but the fact that the Metrodome roof collapsed during the middle of the night on December 12. The Vikings, who were fast asleep ready to play the New York Giants the next day, woke up to find out that just seven hours before kickoff, the blizzard outside had caused the Metrodome roof to completely collapse. With the game in question, the NFL acted quickly and sent the Vikings and Giants to Ford Field in Detroit to play the game the next day.

After 28 years of so many memorable Minnesota sports moments, December 12, 2010, was the day that the Vikings knew that this building did not have many years left. Less than 15 months later, the Vikings would announce the US Bank Stadium deal.

At 125, Wishek's still looking toward the future

The pace has been brisk as final preparations are made for Wishek's 125th birthday this weekend. We're calling it the 125th because guasquicentennial uses entirely too many letters. You have to be a 4X just to get it on a T-shirt.

The WPA-era historic Wishek Civic Center, home of Sauerkraut Day (the second Wednesday each October), looks stately. The water tower has a new coat of paint,

including South Border Mustang logos.

Not everyone is thrilled. If Wishek City Councilperson Kathy Welder had her way, the iconic Wishek Badger would be up there. When Wishek and historic rival Ashley formed a cooperative a couple decades ago, former Wishek Editor Francis Materi hated it, too.

This new generation of kids doesn't care about any of that. They often develop strong friendships... boyfriend-girlfriend stuff... crosspollination... dogs and cats living together!

nial, and the first of what would be many-and still counting—Ashley-Wishek state wrestling championships. We continue to enjoy some fine athletic programs.

Amidst the preparations, I began to reminisce. In 1998, the internet was picking up steam and some "experts" didn't give newspapers much more than a decade. But, we saw still-robust communities that were 100 miles from any big city and doggedly independent. We thought could make it here.

With hard work and a lot of community support, we're still standing strong. We've evolved. Today, the Wishek Star and Ashley Tribune are available on the internet at mcintosh-startribune.com. Like the successful businesses in this area facing shrinking populations, we've expanded our reach.

That's what's remarkable about Wishek. There are two car dealerships, two implement dealerships, a vastly-expanded hardware store, a fencing supply company that brings people in from two states away, a homebuilder that annually sends scores of completed houses hundreds of miles in every direction, a regional hospital, nursing home, and dozens upon dozens of other businesses. Wishek's become a destination community. A big regional economic engine.

You can count on another big shindig in 25 years.

Every community has a personality, and Wishek's is, well, direct. My friends wondered how I'd do in the second-most conservative county in the state. Just great, and I'll tell you why. These stoics would give you the shirt off their back. A few years ago in a conversation with a conservative local business owner, I kiddingly referred to myself as a "wild-eyed liberal.

"No," she corrected me, "You're a moderate. "But around here, moderates just seem liberal."

One day, I was taken off-guard when I called on someone I liked and admired for building his business the hard way.

I'll explain. You know how political parties seemingly send out a memo to get everyone talking about the same thing? Well, the week before, I'd mocked the sudden hysteria over socialism. That rubbed him the wrong way.

"Tony, I will never buy another ad from you because you're a socialist," he said.

"Well, I'm a terrible socialist," I responded, "because I'm trying to do capitalism! I'm trying to sell something!" I told him that I had always liked him and that wasn't about commerce and that I intended to keep calling on him. I stuck to my promise and he eventually forgot about his.

But, if you really want a political argument, discuss sausage. Loyalties in this area are fierce. They'll fight you in Long Lake over headcheese. I was born in Ashley, and Grandpa was a homer when it came to sausage.

Of course, Wishek is famous for its sausage, It's dwindling older generations of Badgers and it was made more famous by Stan Deile and Aces cling to the rivalry. An Ashley oldster of Stan's Supermarket, one of the last of the great small town promoters. Stan always seemed to be moving, but he always had time for a grin, a slice of wisdom, and a slap on When the Bender Family purchased the the back. Hard to believe it's been five years. There are still some some exceptional entrepreneurs and community builders in Wishek, but none as colorful as Stan, except perhaps, Mike Martell, a gravely old-school guy. He's one of the reasons the annual Tri-County Fair keeps chugging along. Mostly, he just threatens people into action. For 25 years, Mike has been giving me orders. A year ago, when I saw him at the fair, he told me that the Wishek Star would be doing a commemorative photo edition after the 125th celebration. We're on it, Mike. I may have saluted. Maybe I'll see you this weekend. I wouldn't miss it. Wishek knows how to throw a party. © Tony Bender, 2023





by Tony Bender

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once told me an old joke: "Everybody flush! Wishek needs the water." And he was a retired minister.

Wishek Star and Ashley Tribune in 1998, we I miss Stan.

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The South Dakota Humanities Council is making available a weekly column -- "We the People" -- that focuses on the U.S. Constitution. It is written by David Adler, who is president of The Alturas Institute, a non-profit organization created to promote the Constitution, gender equality, and civic education.

By David Adler

Trump Trial Challenges American Democracy and Rule of Law

A reader's question has captured the historymaking nature of the forthcoming trial of former President Donald Trump: "What are the implications of the trial for the Constitution, presidential power and the rule of law?"

The gravity of the nation's first federal indictment of a former president cannot be overestimated. The rule of law, constitutional government, presidential power and, we should add, American Democracy, are on trial.

Defenders of President Trump, like the former chief executive himself, decry the indictment as part of a long-running "witch hunt," a "political trial" that reflects, they claim, partisan corruption in the FBI and the Department of Justice. This weaponization theme is destabilizing and dangerous, and it raises the question of the citizenry's interest in, and commitment to, an evidence-based system of justice.

There is little exaggeration in saying that our system's credibility is at stake. The previous convergence of political and legal challenges, as seen in the Watergate scandal or the 2000 presidential election, was resolved by a commitment to the rule of law and belief in the process by all parties involved.

President Richard Nixon, for example, did not try to tear down the system after the Supreme Court ordered him to turn over the Watergate Tapes, including the smoking gun tape that convinced the nation of his criminal activity. To his credit, Democratic presidential candidate Al Gore did not try to destroy the legal system when the Court delivered a ruling that awarded the presidency to George W. Bush after a bitterly contested presidential election. Both Nixon and Gore demonstrated their commitment to the rule of law.

Implementation of the rule of law lay at the heart of the Constitutional Convention's creation of a new system of government. For the Framers, the rule of law meant the subordination of the president to the law. James Wilson, second in importance to James Madison as an architect of the Constitution, laid bare the founders' understanding of the presidency and executive power in a speech to his colleagues at the Pennsylvania State Ratifying convention. The founding period's most acute constitutional theorist and future member of the first Supreme Court declared, "Not a single privilege is annexed to his character; far from being above the laws, he is amenable to them in his private character as a citizen, and in his public character by impeachment."

The subordination of the president—and former presidents—to the Constitution and the laws of the nation, including amenability to judicial process, includes the expectation of compliance with subpoenas. On this score, the founders brooked no exceptions.

Chief Justice John Marshall, presiding over the treason trial of Aaron Burr, wrote in 1807, "it is not known ever to have been doubted" that the president "may be served" with a subpoena. President Thomas Jefferson, who was subpoenaed in the Burr Trial, agreed with Chief Justice Marshall. Counsel for Jefferson, Alexander McRae, stated that "a subpoena may issue against the President as well as against any other man."

The speeches, lectures, testimony and judicial rulings at the founding demonstrate the subordination of all citizens, without exception, to the rule of law and the judicial process. The Framers' implementation of the rule of law, a grand achievement in the evolution of constitutional government, represented an American rejection of the English principle that "the King can do no wrong." In the early years of the republic, despite political wrangling and disagreements, there was honest adherence to the American ideal that all men are equal in the eyes of the law, which justified calling a president, even Thomas Jefferson, before a court of justice. It is this history, and lessons and teachings of those who founded the nation, that justify the federal indictment of Donald Trump. Let us remember that the trial is an event of Trump's own doing. If he had simply complied with the court-ordered search warrant and the subsequent subpoena that required the former president to turn over government documents that he had taken to Mar-a-Logo, there would be no indictment and no forthcoming trial, at least on these issues. The essence of the indictment is the unlawful, indeed, willful retention of the documents.

lied to officials seeking them. Trump also showed the secret documents to people without security clearance and said that he knew he was not supposed to do that.

It is the maintenance and enforcement of the rule of law that has compelled Special Counsel Jack Smith to indict Trump. There is little doubt that the indictment will further inflame Trump supporters, but let us hope that the American people will focus on the evidence introduced at trial and, after a speedy and fair trial, featuring an impartial judge and jury, will accept the verdict.

To say, as the founders said, that nobody is above the law should not be reduced to a cliché. It is that principle that is under scrutiny today, more so than ever in our history. The rule of law, like democracy itself, rests on Americans' belief in facts and evidence. They must govern Trump's trial and our reaction to its outcome.

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Biggest Threats to a Comfortable Retirement?



Travis Schuring Financial Advisor 224 S Main Ave Sioux Falls, SD 57104 605-330-0090 If you save and invest for decades, you'd like to know you can retire without financial worries. Nonetheless, you still have to be aware of some threats to a comfortable retirement – and how to respond to them.

These threats include:

• Inflation – Inflation has been high recently, but even a mild inflation rate can seriously erode your purchasing power. In fact, with just a 3% inflation rate, your expenses could double in about 25 years – and your retirement could easily last that long. So, if you're going to rely on your investment portfolio for a sizable part of your retirement income, you will need to own a reasonable number of growth-oriented investments, such as stocks or stock-based funds, whose potential returns can equal or exceed the inflation rate.

• Excessive withdrawals – Once you retire, you should establish a withdrawal rate for your portfolio – an amount you can take out each year and still feel secure that you won't run out of money. Some people make the mistake of withdrawing too much, too soon, once they're retired. Your withdrawal rate should be based on several factors, including your age at retirement, the size of your portfolio and the amount of income you receive from other sources, such as Social Security. A financial professional can help you determine a withdrawal rate that's appropriate for your needs.

• Market volatility – The financial markets will always fluctuate. When you're still working, this volatility may not be such a problem, as you have years or decades to recover from short-term downturns. But when you retire, you don't want to have to sell investments when their price is down. To help prevent this, you can tap into the cash in your portfolio, assuming you have enough to cover several months' worth of living expenses. You could also draw on a CD "ladder" – a group of CDs that mature at different times – to provide you with resources for the next few years and allow your equity investments time to recover their value.

 Unexpected costs – You had them when you were working, and you'll probably have them when you're retired: the furnace that breaks down, the car that needs a major repair, and so on. But if you've established an emergency fund containing a year's worth of living expenses, with the money kept in a liquid account, you may be able to "ride out" these costs without jeopardizing your investment portfolio. Be sure to keep these reserves separate from your typical day-to-day accounts to avoid the temptation of spending your emergency money. Health – Retirees may face more health concerns than younger people, and those concerns often come with larger medical bills. That's why it's important to maximize the benefits from Medicare or your Medicare Advantage plan. Also, if you contributed to a Health Savings Account (HSA) while you were working, and you haven't depleted it, you can use the money in retirement. As long as the HSA funds are used for gualified medical expenses, withdrawals are tax- and penalty free, and won't be included in your income. This could help keep your income below certain levels, lower your Medicare premiums or avoid the 3.8% surtax on net investment income that can be assessed on high-net-worth taxpayers.

Instead of turning over the documents, Trump, according to the indictment, organized an elaborate scheme to hide the papers and then

Retirement can be a pleasant time in your life – and you'll enjoy it more if you're prepared for the challenges that face all retirees.

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Brown County June 20, 2023 Meeting Minutes JUNE 20, 2023 - GENERAL

MEETING Meeting called to order by Chairman Sutton at 8:45 A.M. in the Commission Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, SD. Present were Commissioners Dennert, Fjeldheim, Wiese, Gage, and Sutton. Commissioner Fjeldheim led the Pledge of Allegiance. MOMENT OF SILENCE: Chairman Sutton acked for a moment

MOMENT OF SILENCE: Chairman Sutton asked for a moment of silence to honor the memory of Richard "Dick" Schooley, janitor at the Dacotah Prairie Museum for over 30 years. The funeral is at 2pm today. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Com-

by Wiese. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC

COMMENT: None GROW, SD UPDATE: Kelly Weaver and Mark Nelson met with the Brown County Commission to give an update of the services provided to Brown County residents and submit their budget request for Fiscal Year 2024. Over \$10.5 Million Invested in difference programs including Emergency Assistance; Governor's House; Home Improvement; Active Housing Lending; Office Rent/Utilities; Active Business Lending; Food Pantry/County Health Nurse; Small Business Development Small Business Development Center; Weatherization/Furnace and Property Taxes and have served 1085 in 2022. Another program they have is the Big Idea, which is a Business Idea Competition for High School Students, 30 students participated last year. They need Judges for the Big Idea Competition if anyone is interested. GROW, SD consists of three legal entities GROW, SD, NE SD Community Action Program (NESDCAP) and NE SD Economic Corporation (NESDEC). They also offer a Digital Literacy Program is a newer program to help with costs of Internet services and one-time discount on equipment such as a laptop or computer. Then they partner with North-Star Program which is online self-paced training on Word and Excel. All these services are income based. The funds GROW, SD receives from the individual Counties, stays in those Counties and the majority is used towards the match needed for the Federal Programs. They are requesting \$5,000.00 for the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget. SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE PERMIT HEARING: Time and place, as advertised for a Public

PERMIT HEARING: Time and place, as advertised for a Public Hearing on the following Liquor License Application was held to approve the Special Liquor License Permit for Stacy Gossman, DBA: Flying Pig, Aberdeen, SD - Sumption Farm, Sec 30-T127N-R63 effective on July 29, 2023. Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Gage to approve the Special Liquor License Permit for Stacy Gossman, DBA: Flying Pig for July 29, 2023, at the Sumption Farm. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

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SD PUBLIC ASSURANCE ALLI-ANCE (SDPAA) MEMBER SERVIC-ES: Lynn Bren, Deputy Director with SDPAA met with the Brown County Commissioners just to give them an Overview of the Risk Pool and the Benefits the County receives through this partnership. There are 455 local governments covered by SDPAA – 57 of the 66 Counties participate in the Poll for their liability and property coverages.

are Loss Control Surveys (done every 3 years), Property Surveys (done every 4-5 years), Employ-ment & Government Practices Hotlines, Member Services Visits, Claim Liaison/Assistance, LLRMI (Legal Liability Risk Manage-ment Institute)/Jail Training and Credits. Brown County qualified and receives the following credits Renewal Credit, Loss Control Credit, Loss Ratio Credit and Law Enforcement Credit which was a value of over \$14,000.00 in 2023. Commissioner Wiese asked Lynn to touch briefly on the Annual Safety Conference, which she shared that Counties could earn Safety Awards and they are listed on their website and the Conference this year is in Pierre on November 1st & 2nd. Commissioner Wiese introduced Lynn to Sheriff Lunzman and asked her to expand a little bit more on the LLRMI Training. Lynn shared that this is offered hrough partner Safety Benefits, this is a 40-hour training that covers policies and procedures, current and jurisdictional trends, Active Bystander Training and

Dart Simulators. SD MUNICIPAL LEAGUE (SDML) WORKERS-COMPEN-SATION-FUND: Brad Wilson, Administrator with SDML on Workers-Compensation-Fund met with the Brown County Commissioners to also give an Overview of their coverage. Brown County has been a member for 34 years. The rates have gone down over the last 17 years – the rates have been held stable or reduced. Workers Compensation is to cover an employee that gets hurt on the job. Medical bills are covered for work re-lated injury from the beginning, there is no deductible or limit per SDCL Chapter 62 Statutory Worker's Compensation Benefits. Disability at this time the Maximum wage is \$975.00/week and Minimum wage is \$488.00/week, this is going up July 1st but don't know exact amount at this time. Rehabilitation is also covered if an employee needs to learn a new skill set due to not being able to return to current position, Worker's Compensation will pay for the schooling and lost wages until they are retrained. Death benefits are \$10,000 burial expenses. This covers the Employes, Elected Officials, Appointed Officials and Volunteers that are listed and approved through the minutes. Some of the Worker's Compensation Fund Benefits are: Stable Rates and Fund Modifiers; Employer's Liability Limit of \$2,000,000.00; Grant Programs: Stryker EMS, Stan Houston ICS Saw and Trenching & Confined Space Equipment; \$50,000.00 Crisis Protection – Domestic Crisis Protection – Domestic Crisis Event; \$50,000.00 AD&D coverage for Volunteer Fire Fighters & Ambulance and First Responder Assistance Program. Brad shared they ran out of Grant funds by end of March this year. Rates for 2023 were 0% Flat, pretty sure 2024 will be the same. Decreased 10% over the last 4 years. Brown County Fund Modifier is going down from 1.20 to 1.08. 2024 looking at \$17,500 or 11.3% estimated decrease in work comp cost based on current 2023 estimated payrolls and class classifications. Brown County is the top user on the Safety Trainings, which helps lower our modifier. Brown County has received 29 Safety Awards over the years: 1 Silver; 24 Gold and 4 Platinum, includes Gold & Platinum Awards in 2022. Brad ended his presentation with a quote stating THINK – Do It The SAFE Way, Do It The RIGHT Way, Do It EVERYDAY. BID FOR SURPLUS PROP-

BID FOR SURPLUS PROP-ERTY – 2914 INDUSTRIAL AVE.: Chairman Sutton shared that some advice from our State's Attorney on what our potential options will be. Will be discussing those later today and possibly coming with some action next week. Moved by Commissioner Gage, seconded by Dennert to postpone the bid for a week. All members present voting aye.

FAIR CONTRACTS: Rachel Kippley met with the Commissioners and presented 2 Fair Contracts for consideration: United Talent Agency (UTA) for TrailerTrapMusic LLC F/S/O Blanco Brown in the amount of \$40,000.00 and Midco for advertising in the amount of \$10, 091.00. Midco does sponsors the Thursday night Concert and then BCF receives Advertising via Cable TV and 2 months of Digital Campaigns through Streaming Audio and Social Media. This c a little less than last year so

is a little less than last year, so the Advertising Committee is exploring some other options. Commissioner Wiese moved to approve the UTA and Midco Fair Contracts and authorize Chairman Sutton to sign them, seconded by Fjeldheim. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Rachel also shared an invitation from the Fair Foundation Board for the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony of the new playground equipment on July 11th at 1pm. Rachel asked for an Executive

Rachel asked for an Executive Session to discuss Contracts. Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Dennert to go into Executive Session to discuss Contracts per SDCL 1-25-2. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. The Chairman declared the executive session closed with no action taken.

MINUTES: Moved by Commissioner Dennert, seconded by Wiese to approve the amended General Meeting minutes of June 13, 2023. All members present voting ave. Motion carried.

voting aye. Motion carried. CLAIMS: Moved by Commissioner Fjeldheim, seconded by Wiese to approve the following claims and payroll:

Claims: Insurance: SD Assoc of County Commission-ers \$2,971.00. Professional Fees: AgTerra Technologies, Inc \$466.02; Avera St. Luke's Hospital \$25.71; Carrels & Bain Family Dental Care, LLC \$921.02; Certified Languages Interna-tional LLC \$287.10; Child's Voice Route #6361 \$500.00; Dacotah Bank \$40.00; Dakota Group LLC \$2,100.00; Helms & Associ-ates \$1,927.80; Horizon Health Care, Inc \$570.57; Kristi Brandt \$63.70; Language Line Services, Inc \$261.19; LexiNexis Risk Data Mgt, LLC \$200.00; Northeastern Mental Health Center \$1,274.00; Sanford Aberdeen ED \$110.93 Sanford Health Occupation-al Medicine \$552.00; Sanford Health \$8.57; Satellite Tracking of People, LLC \$1,599.00; SD Dept of Revenue & Regulations \$4.403.26; Thomson Pautars \$4,403.26; Thomson Reuters-West Payment Center \$283.30; Tyler Technologies, Inc \$130.00; Yankton County Sheriff's Of-fice \$50.00. Publishing: Groton Daily Independent \$117.67; Hub City Radio \$15,000.00. Rentals: Dakota Electronics \$4,498.20; Pantorium Cleaners Inc \$155.52. Repairs & Maintenance: Anderson Electric \$1.76; Anthony Cooper \$7,000.00; B&B Contracting, per \$7,000.00; B&B Contracting, Inc \$7,875.00; Century Business Products \$66.12; Dakota Elec-tronics \$90.00; Diesel Machinery, Inc \$15,275.50; EcoLab Pest Elimination Division \$125.83; Fire Safety First LLC \$1,103.06; Graham Tire Inc \$1,168.00; Hanlon Brothers, LLC \$1,444.99; HF Jacobs & Son Const. Inc \$1,029.41; Hub City Roofing Inc \$320.00: Leidholt Electric. LLC \$320.00; Leidholt Electric, LLC \$613.00; Meister Mowing LLC \$930.00; Pantorium Cleaners Inc \$189.32; Pierson Ford Lincoln, Inc \$589.90; Precision Kiosk Technologies \$2,700.00; Sewer Duck, Inc \$85.00; Superior Jetting, Inc \$3,955.79; Team Lab \$49,568.75; Transource Truck & Equipment, Inc \$1,495.48; Vosika Fencing \$848.15. Sup-plies: A-1 Locksmithing \$737.00; Advance Auto Parts \$214.76 Agtegra Cooperative \$55,442.16; Anderson Electric \$86.25; Avera LTC Pharmacy Aberdeen \$5.21; Behnke Sand & Gravel \$33,890.76; Bimbo Foods USA, Inc \$782.60; Butler Machinery Company \$10,387.81; Cartney Bearing \$275.53; Century Busi-ness Products \$892.35; Cole Paper Inc \$1,202.81; Dakota Oil \$639.20; Diesel Machinery, Inc \$11,344.54; East Side Jérsey Dairy Inc \$924.93; Farm Tire

Service LLC \$2,120.00; FedEx \$66.08; Fire Safety First LLC \$65.80; GovConnection, Inc \$15.60; Ken's SuperFair Foods \$175.47; Kessler's \$121.42; Linde Gas & Equipment Inc \$385.39; Mac's Inc-Capital One Trade Credit \$180.70; Menards \$1,136.09; Pierson Ford Lincoln, Inc \$724.00; Pomp's Tire Service, Inc \$363.02; Quality Welding, Inc \$25.00; Runnings \$3,449.19; SHI International Corp \$160.00; Transource Truck & Equipment, Inc \$3,664.27; US Foods \$9,698.36; Van Diest Supply Company \$2,947.40; WEB Water Bottling Company \$37.50. Utilities: City of Aberdeen \$1,780.16; Midcontinent Communications \$85.39; Northwestern Energy \$1,515.61; State of South Dakota PMB 0112 \$120.87; Town of Frederick \$76.00; WEB Water Development Association, Inc \$172.00. Machinery & Equipment: Dakota Electronics \$5,655.00; Diesel Machinery, Inc \$48,950.00. Others: Office of Weights & Measures-SD Dept of Public Safety \$103.00; SD Assoc of County Officials \$812.00; SD Dept of Agriculture & Natural Resources \$4,727.02; SD Dept of Revenue & Regulations \$1,048,619.82. Payroll: Commission \$4,615.41; Auditor \$11,138.57;

Payroll: Commission \$4,615.41; Auditor \$11,138.57; Treasurer \$18,182.68; SA \$28,045.78; Maintenance \$8,946.93; DOE \$16,796.84; ROD \$9,932.80; VSO \$4,260.08; GIS \$2,643.52; IT \$6,092.06; HR \$1,780.80; Sheriff \$47,290.21; Jail \$71,296.71; Coroner \$617.43; Court Security \$7,926.89; JDC/HD \$30,988.70; Welfare \$2,336.49; DPM \$12,264.20; Parks/Fairgrounds \$7,314.39; Fair \$5,008.93; 4-H \$1,452.43; W & P \$5,260.50; P & Z \$7,232.61; Hwy. \$48,492.12; Dispatch \$38,091.63; EM \$4,940.56; 24/7 Sobriety \$1,274.61; Landfill \$17,305.59; Mileage Benefits \$306.00; FICA \$25,127.09; Medicare \$5,876.49; Discovery-HSA \$1,482.96. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion carried. HR REPORT: Moved by Commissioner Gage, seconded by Wiese to approve the following Human Resource Report submitted by Human Resources Assistant, Jessica Johnson: Acknowledge the resignation of Meagan Delahanty, Brown County Jail Detention Officer, FT; effective June 29, 2023. Request to fill. Acknowledge wage amendment for Ryan McClain, original posting for \$21.72 should be \$21.19; effective June 12, 2023. Acknowledge Richard Schooley, Brown County Maintenance, PT; passed away on June 15. 2023. Request to fill. Approve the following Holiday off to follow the State: July 3rd. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. CLAIM ASSIGNMENTS: Moved

CLAIM ASSIGNMENTS: Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Fjeldheim to authorize and approve the Auditor sign the Claim Assignments against individuals to Credit Collections Bureau for the purpose of collecting liens. All members present voting ave Motion carried

ent voting aye. Motion carried. LEASE AGREEMENTS: Moved by Commissioner Dennert, seconded by Wiese to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the following lease agreement: Megan Thompson for lease of Club House for Wedding Reception on September 16, 2023. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS: Representative Carl Perry shared that the Brown County Republicans will be having their BBQ on Thursday, June 22nd at 6pm at Wylie Park. Tickets can be purchased from Commissioner Dennert.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved

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by Commissioner Gage, seconded by Fjeldheim to go into Executive Session for Legal and Contracts per SDCL 1-25-2. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. The Chairman declared the executive session closed with no action taken.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Dennert to adjourn the Brown County Commission meeting at 10:32 a.m. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Lynn Heupel, Brown County Auditor

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Columbia City Vacate ROW Notice

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR VACATION OF PUBLIC ROADWAY

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of Columbia, SD has received a Petition requesting the described city streets, be vacated in the City of Columbia, Brown County, South Dakota, according to SDCL 31-3-6. The Petition may be examined by contacting the Finance Officer, Cara Dennert, at the address indicated below. The Petition requests the following streets be vacated:

East Townsend Avenue

that portion of East Townsend Avenue lying within Lot 1 Columbia Park Second Addition to the City of Columbia in the Southwest Quarter of Section 28, Township 125 North, Range 62 West of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota. as shown on the attached Exhibit A. and previously known as the Original Plat of Columbia, in the SW Quarter of Section 28, Township 125 North, Range 62 West of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota. Starting at the NW Corner of Lot 2 of South Dakota Wheat Growers Addition (RLS #4792), as the Point of Beginning, thence N89°24'42"E, a distance of 178.09', along the northern property line of Lot 2, thence $=4^{\circ}24'33''$ along a curve with a radius of 1099.18', a distance of 84.59', along the western property line of vacated Lot 1 of South Dakota Wheat Growers Addition, thence S89°24'52"W. a distance of 231.07', along the southern property line of Block 15, thence S0°48'09"E, a distance of 65.86', to the point of beginning, containing 0.31 acres more or less; and

South Mill Street

the southernmost portion of S. Mill Street lying within Lot 1 Columbia Park Second Addition to the City of Columbia in the Southwest Quarter of Section 28, Township 125 North, Range 62 West of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota, as shown on the attached Exhibit A, and previously known as of the Original Plat of Columbia, in the Southwest Quarter of Section 28, Township 125 North, Range 62 West of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota. starting at the NW Corner of vacated Lot 2 of South Dakota Wheat Growers Addition (RLS #4792), thence N0°48'09"W, a distance of 265.86', along the western property line of Block 15, thence N89°24'42"E a distance of 296.00', along the northern property line of Lots 17 and 8 and vacated alley, Block 15, to the point of beginning, thence N89°24'42"E, a distance of 53.29', thence =6°00'03" along a curve with a radius of 1099.18', a distance of 115.12', along the western property line of Lot 1, thence N00°48'09"W a distance of 102.19', along the eastern property line of Block 15, to the point of beginning containing 0.065 acres more or less.

The City Council of Columbia, SD will hold a public hearing to consider the vacation of the above described streets on July 12, 2023, at 7:00 o'clock P.M. at the Columbia City Hall. Any person interested in the proposed action may present their position relative to the proposed action at the hearing. Any person(s) unable to attend the hearing may deliver their written opinion for

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Wells to approve the agenda with the addition of police vehicle discussion. All members voted ave

Public comments were welcomed pursuant to SDCL 1-25-1, but none were received.

Darrell Hillestad discussed the progress at the Groton Municipal Airport.

Hillestad exited the meeting. Dean Marske and Elissa Hammrich from HKG Architects presented additional plans for a Comfort Station with restrooms and showers at the City Park. Further discussion will be at the next meeting.

Marske, Hammrich and Ted Dickey exited the meeting.

Nancy Larsen gave an update on the park sound system. Discussion took place about public usage.

Larsen exited the meeting.

The second reading of Ordinance No 768 – Amending Sewer Penalty Timeframe was approved on a motion by Wambach and seconded by Bahr. All members voted ave.

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Cutler to approve Change Order #2 – Dahme Construction. All members voted aye.

Moved by Cutler seconded by Wells to approve Pay Request # 4 - Dahme Construction. All members voted ave.

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved on a motion by Bahr and seconded by Wambach. All members voted

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Wells to authorize the following bills for payment. All members voted ave

Payroll, \$43,286.46, Employee salaries; Administrative, \$4,427.86, ; Executive, \$277.05, ; Public Safety, \$8,677.96, ; Public Works, \$11,833.43, ; Cul ture & Recreation, \$18,070.16, USPS, \$286.50, Utility billing postage; Spencer Locke, \$150.00, Jr. Teener umpire pay; Matt Locke, \$160.00, U10 umpire pay; Dwight Zerr, \$86.58, Med Dacotah Bank, \$7,846.72, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dakotaland FCU, \$730.00, Emplovee savings: Dacotah Bank. \$3,622.90, HSA contributions; Chris & Kathia Dirksen, \$46.08 Utility deposit refund; City of Groton, \$303.92, Utility deposits applied to bills; Milbank Baseball Diamond Assoc., \$200.00, Legion tournament entry fee; SD State Treasurer, \$11,338.16 Sales and Excise Tax - May 2023 Dacotah Bank, \$4,140.84, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$800.00, HSA contributions; Desiree Craig, \$600.00, Family crisis assistance; IMEG Corp., \$1,331.20, Engineering Chad Locken, \$160.00 fees; U10 umpire pay - 2 additional games on 6/13 vs Columbia; Brown County Treasurer, \$26.70, Registration of vacuum trailer Sperry Stump Removal, \$780.00 Stump removal; Harve's Sport Shop, \$95.94, Baseball lineup books: Farmers Union Co-op Assoc., \$1,747.20, #2 dyed diesel; Heartland Waste Management, \$10,192.05, Garbage hauling; Full Circle Ag, \$262.50, Weed control chemicals; Colonial Re-search, \$173.83, Soap for park, community center, and ballpark; Locke Electric, \$1,821.00, Lightbulbs and repairs to ballfield light towers: Bruce Kleinsasser. \$1.400.00, 2023 lifequard training; Heartland Energy, \$47,571.37, Power services -May 2023; WAPA, \$21,438.64, Power services - May 2023 Warner Little League, \$100.00, U12 softball tournament entry fee: Brian Bahr, \$40.00, Mileage reimbursement - Groton to Hecla - Dist. 6 Annual Meeting; Douglas Heinrich, \$322.50, Mileage/Meal reimbursement Groton to Pierre - 2023 HR/ FO School: RDO Equipment Co., \$125.91, Bulb and belt; Associated Supply Co, Inc., \$1,851.18, Tiger slide landing pad; Altec Industries, Inc., \$297.50, Re-pairs to breaker on 2015 Kenworth bucket truck; James Valley Telecommunications, \$878.76, Telephone & internet services; Ken's Food Fair, \$2,424.44, Fuel purchases, food for resale; MJ's Sinclair, \$1,864.15, Fuel purchases; Geffdog Designs, \$304.00, (2) baseball banners; Altec Capital Services, LLC, \$2,189.93, Digger truck lease; Railroad Management Co, LLC \$689.26, Water pipeline cross-ing rent; Sanitation Products, Inc., \$366.18, Dirt shoes and runners; CWF Concrete & Masonry, Inc., \$27,547.00, Curb repair/replacement; Pauer Sound, LLC, \$882.43, Sound system repairs at baseball complex; Border States Industries, Inc., \$3,110.14, Ear protection, oil pads, and secondary wire; NW

Energy, \$13.75, Natural gas service - water tower; SD Supplemental Retirement, \$290.00, Supplemental retirement:

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Babcock to approve the May Finance Report. All members voted aye

City Offices will be closed July 3rd and July 4th, 2023 for Independence Day.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Wambach to reschedule the July 4, 2023 council meeting to July 6, 2023 at the normal time of 7:00pm. All members voted ave.

Discussion took place regarding a new Groton Police vehicle.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Cutler to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal matters 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 8:26pm. All members voted aye. Council reconvened into requiar session at 9:01pm.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Babcock to adjourn the meeting at 9:02pm. All members voted aye.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Kellie Locke, Assistant Finance Officer

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Frederick School June 13, 2023

Meeting Minutes FREDERICK AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT #6-2

Regular Board of Education Meeting

June 13, 2023 A regular meeting of the Fred-

erick Area Board of Education was called to order on June 13. 2023, at 7:00 p.m. by President Rich Schlosser. Other members present were Rich Achen, Jon Ellwein, Alex Hart and Eric Sumption. Also present were Superintendent/9-12 Principal/ Athletic Director Jeff Kosters. K-8 Principal Jessica Ringgenberg and Business Manager Shauna Severson.

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

No public comment.

Motion 2023-142 Motion by Achen, second by Sumption to approve the agenda with the addition of: include SY2324-5 to Open Enrollment action item. All ave, carried.

No conflict of interest disclosures.

Motion 2023-143 Motion by Ellwein, second by Hart to approve the following consent agenda items. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

 May 8, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes

Custodial Accounts and Investments

June 2023 Bills

Financial Report:

Imprest Fund: Bal 5-1-23:

\$3,976.00; Receipts: \$1,067.25;

\$2000.00; Disbursements: \$0; Bal 5-31-23 \$2000.85. Investments: Bal 5-1-23: \$26,471.58; Interest \$18.88; Transfers to Checking (\$2000.00); Ending Fund Balance: \$26,472.43.

Claims approved: May 2023 Payroll – General Fund salaries 100,582.52, Special Education salaries 16,830.63, Food Service salaries 3,482,21, Drivers Education salaries \$1,469.87 EFTPS, federal income tax/Social Security/Medicare \$33,687.41 ; AFLAC, supplemental insurance 1,147.27; American Funds, retirement 1,536.18: Delta Dental, insurance 1,789.98; The Standard, life insurance 222.44; Security Benefits, retirement 1,308.22; Optilegra, vision insurance 415.28; Wellmark, health insurance 18,716.00; SD Retirement 17,551.78; SD Retirement Supplemental, 4,478.22. Total: \$203,218.01.

Bills approved: General Fund: Aberdeen School District-Atec, 5,486,40; Agtegra-fuel 3,632.03; Amazon-supplies, 484.90; Best Western Ramko ta-state track, \$1,785.00; BPfuel track, 65.70; CWD-FFVP, 193.80; Century Business Products-copier overage, 309.43; Churchill, Manolis, Freeman, Kludt & Burns-legal correspondence, 838.63; Cole Papersmaintenance supplies, 958.76; Community Store-FACS supplies 2.71: Dakota Broadcasting-radio ads, 1,000.00; DSG-maintenance supplies, 827.74; Farmers Union Oil Co.-expedition/bus maintenance, 485.79; FASD Imprest Fund-misc, 3,364.00; GDI Newspublishing/election notices, 139.63: Howard Wood Dakota Relays-registration state track, 500.00; Hub City Radio-radio ads, 1,075.00; HyVee-fuel track, 84.00; IES-mobile app design/ development, 1,200.00; IRS-late filing, 8.69; JVT-telephone, 248.68; Johnson Controls Fire Protection-fire maintenance, 1,182.21; Jostens-diplomas, 91.45; Kesslers-FACS supplies, 39.78; Kosters, Christine-JVT annual meeting driver, 75.00; MDU-utilities, 3,644.29; Menards-maintenance supplies, 376.05; Merchant Services-lunch processing fees, 149.38; Mid-American Research Chemicalmaintenance supplies, 3,100.82; Midstates Group-BBB/music/ track awards, 410.80; Midwest Pest Control-pest control, 48.00; O'Reilley Auto Parts-wipers, 40.78; Pantorium Cleanerssupplies, 211.90; Prorate Services-drug testing, 81.55; Parkview Nursey-graduation flowers, 110.18; School Nutrition Association-conference registration, 320.00; School Specialty supplies, 490.04; SDHSAA-22/23 rulebook, 140.00; SD School District Benefits Fund-health insurance termination fee, 18,716.00; TestOut-testing materials, 123.45; Titan Machinery-grasshopper service, 454.65; Town of Frederick-utilities, 651.31; USA Clean-maintenance supplies, 80.50; USPS-stamped envelopes/annual box fee, 530.45; Wal-Mart-graduation baskets, 42.51. Capital Outlay Fund: Century Business Products-copier lease, 306.66; CommTech-cameras and access, 3,932.50; Precision Floors & Interiors-carpet installation 3 elementary rooms, 3.240.00: Savvas-elementary math curriculum, 20,755.00; Schwan Electric-ER/exit lights/ bleachers, 3,914.18. Special Education Fund: ABAeCARE consultations, 1,215.00; Avera-PT/OT, 3,876.96. Food Service Fund: CWD Fargo-food/supplies, 759.30; CWD Fargo-freezer-SD CANS grant, 7,603.50; Clark, Vern-lunch money refund, 21.80; Community Store-food, 28.89; Flinn, Jason-lunch money refund, 29.20; Haugen, Angie-lunch money refund, 24.80; King, James-lunch money refund, 5.80; Pantorium Cleaners-supplies, 37.75; Vetter, Chad-lunch money refund, 26.60; Voeller, Jamie-lunch money refund, 9.45. Drivers Ed Fund: Agtegra-fuel, 333.01.Custodial Fund: Aberdeen Awards-LRC, 2,404.00; Achen, Stephen-Sam Kenser Scholarship, 1,000.00; Bauer, Dave-LRC, 250.00; Donat, Eric-LRC, 271.00; Econo Lodge-FB camp hotel, 212.06; Graphic Edge-track, 1,222.20; Jensen, Nolan-Mark Nuese Scholarship, 1,000.00; Geffdog-bbb, 721.06; Ringgenberg, Jessica-teacher slush, 30.00; Runnings-teacher slush, 28.72; Vetter, Sam-Alex Bowman Scholarship, 1,000.00. Imprest Fund: Cattail Crossing Golf Course-pre-region/region golf meets, 36.00; Eureka Golf Course-golf meet, 20.00; Faulkton School District-golf meet, 15.00; First National Bank-state track meals, 2,288,00; Ipswich Athletic Booster Club-track meet, 75.00; Miller School District-track meet, 100.00; Oakes Public

School-track meets, 350.00; Prairie Winds Golf Course-preregion/region golf meets, 40.00; Rolling Hills Golf Club-golf meet, 40.00: Sisseton School Districttrack meet, 150.00; Waubay School-track meet, 150.00; Wolsey-Wessington School Districttrack meet, 100.00.

The following reports were presented:

Jeff Kosters: Superintendent/9-12 Principal/Athletic Director

Jessica Ringgenberg: K-8 Principal

Shauna Severson: Business Manager

Board requested that new contracts over \$5,000 be brought to meeting for approval, otherwise will be approved with the budaet.

Sumption: NCSEC

Thank you to retiring Business Manager, Mike Weber, for his vears of service with the North Central Special Education Coon Achen/Hart: Building/Athletic Co-op

The 2023-2024 budget was discussed. No action taken.

Motion 2023-144 Motion by Ellwein, second by Hart to approve the 2023-2024 Associated School Boards Protective Trust Property and Liability Fund Participation Agreement and Renewal. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

Motion 2023-145 Motion by Achen, second by Hart to approve Cahill Bauer & Associates FY2023 Audit Contract. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

Motion 2023-146 Motion by Hart, second by Ellwein to set the FY2023 closeout meeting date and time to be June 28, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

Motion 2023-147 Motion bv Sumption, second by Achen to set the FY2024 budget hearing data and time to be July 10, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

Motion 2023-148 Motion by Hart, second by Sumption to approve the following Open Enrollments: SY2324-2, SY2324-3 SY2324-4 and SY2324-5. All voted Ave. Motion carried.

Motion 2023-149 Motion by Ellwein, second by Sumption to approve the resignation of Marie Knutson, paraprofessional. All voted Aye. carried. The board would like to thank Marie for her two years at the Frederick Area School District.

Motion 2023-150 Motion by Hart, second by Ellwein to offer a 2023-2024 work agreement to Tanya Pies, Paraprofessional. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

Motion 2023-151 Motion by Achen, second by Hart to approve the hiring of JLG Architects to engage in offering options for a possible building project. All voted Ave. Motion carried.

The building of a new crow's nest at the football field was

discussed and a quote was presented. No action taken.

The board would like to congratulate the Track team on their success at the state track meet. The following individuals and teams placed in the top 8: Relay team- Stephen Achen, Gavin Nickelson, Brayden Sumption and Johnathan Bretsch placed 3rd in the Boys 4x400 Meter Relay. Sofia Losure 6th place in Girls High Jump, Johnathan Bretsch 6th place in the Boys 400 Meter Dash, Relay Team- Winston Clark, Stephen Achen, Brayden Sumption and Johnathan Bretsch placed 6th in the Boys 4x800

Meter Relay. Motion 2023-152 Motion by Achen, second by Sumption to adjourn at 7:43 p.m. All voted Ave. Motion carried.

Rich Schlosser, President

Shauna Severson, Business Manager

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Groton City Sewer Penalty Timeframe

ORDINANCE NO. 768 An Ordinance entitled "Amending Sewer Penalty Timeframe" to be effective July 1, 2023.

Be it ordained by the City of Groton, South Dakota that Ordinance No. 8-3-8 be amended to read as follows:

8-3-8 Penalties.

Any person found to be violating any provision of this chapter shall be served by the city with written notice stating the nature of the violation and providing notice to the offender to permanently cease all violations within twenty-four (24) hours.

Any person who shall B. continue any violation beyond twenty-four (24) hours shall upon conviction thereof be subject to the penalties provided in this ordinance (11-1-1).

C. Any person violating any of the provisions of this chapter shall become liable to the city for any expense, loss, or damage occasioned the city by reason of such violations, including attorney fees incurred to enforce these provisions.

Passed First Reading: 6/6/2023

Passed Second Reading: 6/20/2023

Published:

Effective: Attest:

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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May 2023 Financial Report,

May 2023 Payroll

• Transfers: \$2000.00 from Ovid Stevens Fund Savings to Checking and \$376,810.00 from Capital Outlay Fund to General Fund.

General Fund- Checking: Bal 5-1-23: \$224,455.85; Receipts: \$296,436,29; Disbursements: \$196,219.76; Bal 5-31-23 324,672.38. Ínvestments: Bal -1-23: \$303,272.55; Interest: \$2,077.05; Éarly Withdrawal Penalties from CDs (\$473.93); Bal 5-31-23: \$304,875.67. Ending Fund Balance: \$629,548.05.

consideration by the City Council of Columbia. Such testimony should be delivered prior to the date and time of the scheduled hearing by mailing or delivering the opinion to: Finance Officer, City of Columbia, PO Box 43, Columbia, SD 57433.

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Groton City June 20, 2023 Meeting Minutes June 20, 2023

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00 p.m. at 120 N Main Street for their second monthly meeting with the following members present: Bahr, Wells, Wambach, Babcock, Cutler and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were: Attorney Drew Johnson, Kellie Locke, Ted Dickey, Dean Marske, Elissa Hammrich, Darrell Hillestad, Nancy Larsen and Elizabeth Varin.

Disbursements: \$3,364.00; Bal 5-31-23 \$1.679.25

Capital Outlay Fund- Check-ing: Bal 5-1-23: \$784,163.28; Receipts: \$164,544.95; Disburse ments: \$708.81; Bal 5-31-23 \$947,999.42. Investments: Bal 5-1-23: \$1,933,634.20; Early Withdrawal Penalties from CDs (\$3,023.24). Ending Fund Balance: \$2,878,610.38

Special Education Fund- Checking: Bal 5-1-23: \$41,666.57; Receipts: \$81,056.44; Disburse-ments: \$34,188.90; Bal 5-31-23 \$88,534.11. Investments: Bal 5-1-23: \$1,446,175.05; Withdrawal Penalties from CDs (\$2,261.38). Ending Fund Balance: \$1,532,447.78. Food Service Fund: Bal

-1-23: \$17,036.97; Receipts: \$10,273.93; Disbursements: \$11,652.60; Bal 5-31-23 \$15,658.30.

Drivers Ed Fund: Bal 5-1-23: \$2,516.35; Receipts: \$0.00; Disbursements: \$2,284.98; Bal -31-23 \$231.37.

Custodial Fund: Bal 5-1-23: \$27,606.99; Receipts: \$10,565.96; Disbursements: \$9,282.65; Bal 5-31-23 \$28,890.30.

Ovid J Stevens Scholarship: Bal 5-1-23: \$.85; Receipts: The Laura Ingalls Wilder Pageant Proudly Presents: eart of the Contact us for more information www.desmetpageant.org | 800.880.3383 | 800.776.3

Groton Independent \diamond Wed., June 28, 2023 \diamond 5









TREE TRIMMING & REMOVAL STUMP GRINDING STORM DAMAGE CLEANUP 605/228-3861 **Matt's Tree Service** www.aberdeentreeservice.com

July Groton Community Calendar

Saturday, July 1

Amateurs host Redfield DQ, 7 p.m. SEAS Mass, 4:30 p.m.

Common Cents Community Thrift Store is Closed

Sunday, July 2

Emmanuel Lutheran: Worship with communion, 9 a.m.

Groton CM&A: Sunday School at 9:15 a.m., Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.

Catholic: SEAS Confession, 7:45-8:15 a.m., SEAS Mass, 8:30 a.m.; Turton Confession, 10:30-10:45 a.m.; Turton Mass, 11 a.m.

United Methodist: Worship with communion (Conde at 8:30 a.m., Groton at 10:30 a.m., coffee hour at 9:30 a.m.)

Monday, July 3

Senior Menu: Chicken and rice casserole, mixed vegetables, chocolate pudding with bananas, whole wheat bread.

Food Pantry Closed

Tuesday, July 4

Olive Grove: His/Her Firecracker Tourney.

Wednesday, July 5

Senior Menu: Beef stew, biscuit, Waldorf salad, muffin, tomato juice.

Emmanuel Lutheran: Circles potluck and joint Bible study, 6 p.m.; Game/Project night, 7 p.m. United Methodist: Community Coffee Hour,

9:30 a.m.

Chamber Meeting, noon, at City Hall Olive Grove: Kid's Lessons Jr. Legion hosts Watertown, DH, 5 p.m. U12BB hosts Borge, DH, 5:30 p.m. U10 R/W hosts Webster, DH, 6 p.m.

Thursday, July 6

Senior Menu: Ham, au gratin potatoes, broccoli and cauliflower blend, fruit, cookie.

U8 R&B hosts Hannigan/Borge, DH, 5:30 p.m.

City Council meeting, 7 p.m.

Friday, July 7

Senior Menu: Chicken strips, tri-tators, peas and carrots, fruit, whole wheat bread.

- Jr. Teeners at Vern Jark Memorial Tournament in Aberdeen
- U12 State Tournament at Webster T-Ball Scrimmage (B&G), 6 p.m.

Saturday, July 8

Catholic: SEAS Confession, 3:45-4:15 p.m.; SEAS Mass, 4:30 p.m.

Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 10

Monday, July 10

Senior Menu: Lasagna rotini, spinach salad Catholic: SEAS Confession, 3:45-4:15 p.m.; with dressing, ambrosia fruit salad, cookie, etables, honey fruit salad, whole wheat bread. whole wheat bread.

> Emmanuel Lutheran: Bible Study, 6:30 a.m. Food Pantry open 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Groton Community Center

Senior Citizens Meet at the Groton Commu- nity Center, 1 p.m. nity Center, 1 p.m.

Legion host Claremont, DH, 6 p.m. U10 W/B at Columbia, DH, 6:30 p.m.

Softball hosts Claremont (U8 at 5:30 p.m.,

U10 at 7 p.m.); hosts Warner, DH T-Ball at Columbia, 5:30 p.m.

School Board Meeting, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, July 11

Senior Menu: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, oriental blend vegetables, frosted brownie, whole wheat bread, fruit.

Emmanuel Lutheran: Church Council, 7 p.m. Food Pantry open 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Groton Community Center

Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Legion at Aberdeen Smitty's, 1 game, 6 p.m. bread. Jr. Teener Regional Tournament, TBD U10 R/B hosts Milbank, DH, 5:30 p.m. Softball U12 hosts Clark, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, July 12

Senior Menu: Chicken cordon bleu hot dish, broccoli and carrots, pears, chocolate pudding, whole wheat bread.

Emmanuel Lutheran: Campfire night, 7 p.m. United Methodist: Community Coffee Hour, 9:30 a.m.

Olive Grove: Kid's Lessons; Men's League Jr. Teener Regional Tournament, TBD T-Ball B&G Scrimmage, 6 p.m.

Thursday, July 13

Senior Menu: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, carrots, apricots, whole wheat bread. Jr. Teener Regional Tournament, TBD Softball hosts Webster (U8 at 6 p.m., U10 at 6 p.m. DH, U12 at 7:30 p.m. DH) T-Ball Black at Andover, 6 p.m.

Friday, July 14

Senior Menu: Hamburger gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, tropical fruit, whole wheat bread.

Jr. Legion hosts Aberdeen Smitty's, DH, 5:30

p.m. U10BB State Tourney in Parker

Saturday, July 15

Monday, July 17

Senior Menu: Chicken Tetrazzine, mixed veg-

Emmanuel Lutheran: Bible Study, 6:30 a.m. Food Pantry open 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Groton Community Center

Senior Citizens Meet at the Groton Commu-

Softball at Mellette (U10 at 5:30 p.m. DH, U12 at 7:30 p.m. (DH)

Tuesday, July 18

Senior Menu: Scalloped potatoes with ham, green beans, sunset salad, whole wheat bread.

Food Pantry open 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Groton Community Center

Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Olive Grove: Ladies League at 6 p.m. Region 6B Legion Tournament in Groton T-Ball B&G Scrimmage, 6 p.m. City Council meeting, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, July 19

Senior Menu: Meatloaf, baked sweet potato, Olive Grove: Bridge, Ladies League at 6 p.m. creamed peas, fruit cocktail, whole wheat

> Emmanuel Lutheran: Movie night, 7 p.m. United Methodist: Community Coffee Hour,

9:30 a.m.; Groton Ad Council, 7 p.m. Olive Grove: Kid's Lessons; Men's League Amateurs at Aberdeen, 7 p.m. Region 6B Legion Tournament in Groton

Thursday, July 20

Senior Menu: Breaded chicken breast on bun, sliced tomato, potato salad, mandarin oranges, cucumber salad.

Water Tower Ribbon Cutting Ceremony, 11:30 a.m. to Noon followed by open house at City Hall, noon to 1:30 p.m.

Sip and Shop, Downtown Groton, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Olive Grove: Pro Am Region 6B Legion Tournament in Groton

Friday, July 21

Senior Menu: Bratwurst on bun, mashed potatoes, green beans, tropical fruit, whole wheat bread.

Olive Grove: Ferney Open Region 6B Legion Tournament in Groton State Jr. Teener Tournament in Corsica

Saturday, July 22

Catholic: SEAS Confession, 3:45-4:15 p.m.; SEAS Mass, 4:30 p.m.

Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 10 a.m. ago 1 p.m.

a.m. ago 1 p.m.

Avantara Summer Event, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Jr. Teeners at Vern Jark Memorial Tournament in Aberdeen

U12 State Tournament at Webster

Sunday, July 9

Emmanuel Lutheran: Worship, 9 a.m. Groton CM&A: Sunday School at 9:15 a.m., Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.

Catholic: SEAS Confession, 7:45-8:15 a.m., SEAS Mass, 8:30 a.m.; Turton Confession, 10:30-10:45 a.m.; Turton Mass, 11 a.m.

United Methodist: Conde worship at 8:30 a.m., coffee hour 9:30 a.m.; Groton worship at 10:30 a.m.

Groton Summer Fest/Car Show, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., City Park

Amateurs at Northville, 5 p.m.

Jr. Teeners at Vern Jark Memorial Tournament in Aberdeen

Emmanuel Lutheran: Worship at Rosewood Court, 10 a.m.

Catholic: SEAS Confession, 3:45-4:15 p.m.; SEAS Mass, 4:30 p.m.

Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 10 a.m. ago 1 p.m.

Jr. Legion at Brookings (vs. Harrison, 1 p.m.; Worship Service at 10:30 a.m. vs. Brookings, 3 p.m.)

U10BB State Tourney in Parker

Sunday, July 16

Emmanuel Lutheran: Worship with communion, 9 a.m.; worship at Avantara, 3 p.m. Groton CM&A: Sunday School at 9:15 a.m., Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.

Catholic: SEAS Confession, 7:45-8:15 a.m., SEAS Mass, 8:30 a.m.; Turton Confession, 10:30-10:45 a.m.; Turton Mass, 11 a.m. United Methodist: Conde worship at 8:30 a.m., coffee hour 9:30 a.m.; Groton worship

at 10:30 a.m.

Amateurs host Miller, 6 p.m.

Region 6B Legion Tournament in Groton State Jr. Teener Tournament in Corsica

Sunday, July 23

Emmanuel Lutheran: Worship, 9 a.m. Groton CM&A: Sunday School at 9:15 a.m.,

Catholic: SEAS Confession, 7:45-8:15 a.m., SEAS Mass, 8:30 a.m.; Turton Confession, 10:30-10:45 a.m.; Turton Mass, 11 a.m.

United Methodist: Conde worship at 8:30 a.m., coffee hour 9:30 a.m.; Groton worship at 10:30 a.m.

Amateur District in Groton

Region 6B Legion Tournament in Groton State Jr. Teener Tournament in Corsica

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Monday, July 24

Senior Menu: Meatballs, mashed potatoes with gravy, mixed vegetables, tropical fruit, whole wheat bread.

Emmanuel Lutheran: Bible Study, 6:30 a.m. Food Pantry open 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Groton Community Center

Senior Citizens meet at Community Center with potluck at noon.

Amateur District in Groton

Jr. Legion Region Tourney, TBD School Board Meeting, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, July 25

Senior Menu: Ranch chicken bread, rice pilaf, cauliflower and pea salad, blushing pears, whole wheat bread, fruit.

Food Pantry open 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Groton Community Center

Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Olive Grove: Bridge, Ladies League at 6 p.m. Amateur District in Groton

Jr. Legion Region Tourney, TBD

Wednesday, July 26

Senior Menu: Baked cod, parsley buttered potatoes, coleslaw, fruit cocktail, whole wheat bread.

Emmanuel Lutheran: Project/Game night, 7 p.m.

United Methodist: Community Coffee Hour, 9:30 a.m.

Groton Golf Association fundraiser, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the golf course

Olive Grove: Kid's Lessons; Men's League Amateur District in Groton

Thursday, July 27

Senior Menu: Spaghetti with meat sauce, tossed salad with dressing, apple juice, mandarin oranges, whole wheat bread. Amateur District in Groton

Friday, July 28

Senior Menu: Ham salad croissant, tomato spoon salad, pineapple tidbits, cookie. Olive Grove: BAE Tournament State Legion Tournament in Redfield

Saturday, July 29

Catholic: SEAS Confession, 3:45-4:15 p.m.; SEAS Mass, 4:30 p.m.

Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 10 a.m. ago 1 p.m.

State Legion Tournament in Redfield

Sunday, July 30

Claremont Town June 15, 2023 Special Meeting

The Board of Trustees for the Town of Claremont held a special meeting on June 15, 7 p.m., in City Hall.

Johnson called the meeting to order with Trustees Spencer and Rasmussen present. Also present were Ted Dickey of NECOG and Bob Babcock of Helms and Assoc. This meeting was held concerning the need for a storm sewer.

After questions and discussion the following resolution authorizing an application for Financial assistance, and authorizing execution and submittal of the application and designating an authorized representative to certify and sign payment requests. A motion by Spencer and seconded by Rasmussen the resolution was accepted. Motion carried.

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Claremont Town Resolution for Project Financing RESOLUTION

Resolution authorizing an ap-plication for financial assistance, authorizing the execution and submittal of the application, and designating an authorized representative to certify and sign payment request. Whereas, the city of Clare-

mont, parentheses the "city court parentheses has determined it is necessary to proceed with improvements to its sanitary and stormwater system, including, but not limited to replacing existing storm waterline and repair/replacement of a lift station in the city, (the "project"); and

Whereas, the city has deter-mined that financial assistance will be necessary to undertake the project and an application for financial assistance to the South Dakota Board of water and natural resources, (the "Board") will be prepared; and

Whereas, it is necessary to designate an authorized representative to execute and submit the application on behalf of the city, and the certified and sign payment request in the event financial assistance is awarded for the project,

Now, therefore, be resolved by the city as follows:

1. The city here by approves the submission of an application for financial assistance in an amount not to exceed \$505,000 to the South Dakota Board of water and natural resources for the project.

2. The town president is here by authorize to execute the application and submit it to the South Dakota Board of water and natural resources, and to execute and deliver such other documents, and perform all acts necessary to effectuate the application for financial assistance. The town president is here by designated as the authorized epresentative of the city to do all things on its behalf to certify and sign payment request in the event, financial assistance is

awarded for the project. Adopted at Claremont, South Dakota, this 15th day of June 2023.

APPRIVED:

ANNUAL REPORT FOR CITY OF GROTON AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

	GOVERNMENT	L FUNDSMODI	FIED CASH BASIS	1
		Debt Service	Other Governmental	Total
Beginning Balance	General Fund 1,059,360.00	Fund -72,229.00	Funds 153,866.00	Governmental Funds 1,140,997.00
Revenues and Other Sources:	1,059,500.00	-12,229.00	153,666.00	1,140,337.00
Taxes:				
Property Taxes Airflight Property Tax	744,845.00			744,845.00
General Sales and Use Taxes Gross Receipts Business Taxes	923,721.00		30,748.00	954,469.00
Amusement Taxes Excise Tax	5.00			5.00
Tax Deed Revenue				0.00
Penalties and Interest on Delinquent Taxes	4,305.00			4,305.00
Licenses and Permits Intergovernmental Revenues:	23,138.00		·	23,138.00
Federal Grants Federal Shared Revenue	·			
Federal Payments in Lieu				
of Taxes State Grants	150,185.00			150,185.00
State Shared Revenue State Payments in Lieu	109,688.00			109,688.00
of Taxes County Shared Revenue:	1,951.00			1,951.00
Other Intergovernmental Revenue	1,001100			1,001.00
Charges for Goods and Services: General Government	1,583.00			1,583.00
Public Safety Highways and Streets	1,191.00 6,313.00			<u>1,191.00</u> 6,313.00
Sanitation Health				
Culture and Recreation	112,928.00			112,928.00
Ambulance Cemetery	3,350.00		·	3,350.00
Other Fines and Forfeits				
Court Fines and Forfeits	4 000 00			
Animal Control Fines Parking Meter Fines	1,038.00			1,038.00
Library Other				
Miscellaneous Revenue and Other So Investment Earnings	ources: 20,399.00			20,399.00
Rentals	20,399.00		17,819.00	17,819.00
Special Assessments Maintenance Assessments		41,159.00		41,159.00
Contributions and Donations from Private Sources	34 118 00			34 118 00
Liquor Operating	34,118.00		·	34,118.00
Agreement Income Other Revenues	<u>11,121.00</u> 11,000.00		15,554.00	<u>11,121.00</u> 26,554.00
Lease Proceeds Sale of Municipal Property				
Compensation for Loss or Damage				
to Capital Assets Long Term Debt Issued	·		·	
Total Revenue and Other Sources	2,160,879.00	41,159.00	64,121.00	2,266,159.00
Expenditures and Other Uses: Legislative	26,077.00			26,077.00
Executive Elections	9,067.00 593.00	. <u></u>		9,067.00 593.00
Financial Administration Other General Government	332,928.00 22,937.00			332,928.00 22,937.00
Police	402,854.00			402,854.00
Fire Protective Inspection				
Corrections Other Protection	222.00			222.00
Highways and Streets	400,453.00			400,453.00
Sanitation Water	737.00			737.00
Electricity Airport			52,868.00	52,868.00
Parking Facilities Cemeteries	42.050.00			
Natural Gas	13,252.00			13,252.00
Transit Health	2,500.00 5,225.00	·		2,500.00 5,225.00
Home Health Mental Health Centers				
Humane Society				
Drug Education Ambulance	·			
Hospitals, Nursing Homes and Rest Homes				
Other Health and Welfare				
Recreation Parks	<u>418,136.00</u> 11,587.00			<u>418,136.00</u> 11,587.00
Libraries Auditorium	9,334.00 3,675.00			9,334.00 3,675.00
Historical Preservation				-,
Museums Urban Redevelopment and				
Housing Economic Development and		·		
Assistance (Industrial Development)	42 520 00			43 530 00
Economic Opportunity	13,520.00			13,520.00
Debt Service Intergovernmental Expenditures		203,273.00	40,937.00	244,210.00
Capital Outlay Judgments and Losses				
Other Expenditures				
Liquor Operating Agreements Discount on Bonds Issued	·			
Payments to Refunded Debt Escrow Agent				
Total Expenditures and Other Uses	1,673,097.00	203,273.00	93,805.00	1,970,175.00
Transfers In (Out)	-237,500.00	237,500.00		
Increase/Decrease in Fund Balance	250,282.00	75,386.00	-29,684.00	295,984.00
Unassigned Total Ending Fund Balance	1,119,246.00 1,119,246.00	3,158.00 3,158.00	124,184.00 124,184.00	1,246,588.00 1,246,588.00
Governmental Long-term Debt				2,055,000.00
PROPRIETARY FUNDSMODIFIE	D CASH BASIS			
	Water Fund	Sewer Fund	Garbage Fund	Electric Fund
Beginning Balance	677,578.00	286,665.00	42,606.00	2,745,453.00
Revenues	1,898,030.00	210,348.00	132,153.00	1,756,080.00
	1,635,171.00	173,713.00	113,560.00	1,466,213.00
Expenses	.,,			.,
Expenses Ending Balance:	400 000			
Ending Balance: Restricted for Equipment Repair Restricted for Other Purposes	<u>180,000.00</u> 67,271.00			
Ending Balance: Restricted for Equipment Repair		323,300.00	61,199.00	3,035,320.00

Emmanuel Lutheran: Worship with communion, 9 a.m.

Groton CM&A: Sunday School at 9:15 a.m., Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.

Catholic: SEAS Confession, 7:45-8:15 a.m., SEAS Mass, 8:30 a.m.; Turton Confession, 10:30-10:45 a.m.; Turton Mass, 11 a.m.

United Methodist: Conde worship at 8:30 a.m., coffee hour 9:30 a.m.; Groton worship at 10:30 a.m.

State Legion Tournament in Redfield

Monday, July 31

Senior Menu: Beef stroganoff with noodles, green beans, Jell-O with fruit, whole wheat bread.

Emmanuel Lutheran: Bible Study, 6:30 a.m. Food Pantry open 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Groton

Community Center

State Legion Tournament in Redfield First allowable day for soccer practice

/s/ Shane Johnson Town President City of Claremont (Seal) Àttest: /s/ Charla Rye City Finance Officer Published June 28, 2023, at the total approximate cost of \$23.61 and may be viewed free of charge at www.sdpublicno-tices.com. 22285

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Amount	Publ
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Simon Throws Perfect **Game Over Hamlin, Takes** Victory For Groton Legion

Cole Simon threw a gem on Monday to lead Groton Legion Post 39 past Hamlin Post 37 / 217 15-0 with the rarest of baseball moments: The Perfect Game. Simon induced a fly out from Ted Smith to end the game.

Groton Legion Post 39 fired up the offense in the first inning, when Parker Boerger threw a wild pitch allowing one run across the plate for Groton Legion Post 39.

Groton Legion Post 39 put up four runs in the fourth inning. Cade Larson and Colby Dunker all drove in runs in the frame.

Simon earned the win for Groton Legion Post Simon surrendered zero runs on zero hits over four and two-thirds innings, striking out six and walking zero.

Boerger took the loss for Hamlin Post 37 / 217. Boerger allowed 11 hits and 15 runs over four innings, striking out five.

Groton Legion Post 39 saw the ball well today, racking up 13 hits in the game. Brevin Fliehs, Larson, Bradin Althoff, and Dunker each had multiple hits for Groton Legion Post 39. Fliehs led Groton Legion Post 39 with three hits in four at bats. Groton Legion Post 39 was sure-handed in the field and didn't commit a single error. Larson had the most chances in the field with seven.

Groton Post 39 Jr. Legion Grabs Lead in Seventh **Inning to Defeat Hamlin**

Groton Post 39 Jr. Legion took the lead late and defeated Hamlin Post 37 / 217 15-14 on Tuesday. The game was tied at 11 with Groton Post 39 Jr. Legion batting in the top of the seventh when Gavin Englund grounded out, scoring one run.

Braxton Imrie collected five hits in five at bats to help lead Groton Post 39 Jr. Legion to victory. Imrie singled in the first, singled in the second, singled in the fourth, singled in the sixth, and singled in the seventh.

Hamlin Post 37 / 217 opened up scoring in the second inning when an error scored two runs for Hamlin Post 37 / 217.

Korbin Kucker earned the victory on the hill for Groton Post 39 Jr. Legion. The righthander lasted one inning, allowing one hit and zero runs while striking out two and walking zero. Jarrett Erdmann threw four and two-thirds innings in relief out of the bullpen.

Gavin Maag took the loss for Hamlin Post 37 / 217. The pitcher surrendered five runs on four hits over one inning, striking out one.

Parker Boerger started the game for Hamlin Post 37 / 217. Boerger surrendered two runs on two hits over one-third of an inning, walking zero Englund started the game for Groton Post 39 Jr. Legion. The righty lasted one and onethird innings, allowing three hits and eight runs

Groton Post 39 Jr. Legion racked up 17 hits

Huron Tigers 13U seven to four.

In the first inning, Groton Jr. Teeners got their offense started when Ryder Schelle victory on the mound. The righty lasted five singled on a 1-2 count, scoring two runs.

In the bottom of the second inning, Huron Tigers 13U tied things up at three. An error scored two runs for Huron Tigers 13U.

Huron Tigers 13U pulled away for good with four runs in the fourth inning. In the fourth Josh G drew a walk, scoring one run and Jimmie M was struck by a pitch, driving in a run.

Carter P was credited with the victory for Huron Tigers 13U. The righthander lasted four innings, allowing two hits and three runs while striking out eight. Parker B threw two innings commit a single error. Larson had the most in relief out of the bullpen.

Tristin Mcgannon took the loss for Groton jr. Teeners 14U. Mcgannon lasted four innings, allowing two hits and seven runs while striking out three.

Schelle, Nick Groeblinghoff, Gavin Kroll, Easton Weber, Shaydon Wood, Lincoln Krause, and Karson Zak all had one hit to lead Groton jr. Teeners 14U.

Jaxon S went 2-for-2 at the plate to lead Huron Tigers 13U in hits. Huron Tigers 13U didn't commit a single error in the field. G had the most chances in the field with ten.

Groton Jr. Teeners Defeats Huron Despite Allowing 5-Run Inning

Despite allowing five runs in the fourth inning, Groton Jr. Teeners defeated Huron Tigers 13U 20-6 on Tuesday. Carter P, Josh G, Eric B, and Quincy R each had RBIs in the frame.

There was plenty of action on the basepaths as Groton Jr. Teeners collected 14 hits and Huron Tigers 13U had eight.

first inning when Colt C singled on a 2-0 count, scoring one run.

Groton Jr. Teeners pulled away for good with four runs in the second inning. In the second Shaydon Wood singled on a 0-1 count, scoring one run, Karson Zak singled on a 2-2 count, scoring one run, and Nick Groeblinghoff drew a walk, scoring one run.

Groton Jr. Teeners tallied nine runs in the fourth inning. Groton Jr. Teeners batters contributing to the big inning included Zak, Ryder Schelle, Tristin Mcgannon, Ethan Kroll, Gavin Kroll, and Easton Weber, all driving in runs in the inning.

Teeners 14U. Schelle surrendered six runs on eight hits over four innings, striking out four and walking one. Quinn Cogley threw one inning in relief out of the bullpen.

Jimmie M was on the pitcher's mound for Huron Tigers 13U. M went two innings, allowing four runs on five hits and striking out one. Sean J, G, and Blaise S each contributed in relief for Huron Tigers 13U.

Groton Jr. Teeners tallied 14 hits on the day. Weber, Kroll, Zak, and Wood all managed multiple hits for Groton jr. Teeners 14U. Kroll lead Groton Post 39 Jr. Legion. and weber each collected three hits to lead Groton jr. Teeners 14U. in three at bats.

ning was a positive for Hamlin.

Dunker led the Groton Legion Post 39 to and two-thirds innings, allowing four hits and zero runs while striking out eight. Ringgingberg threw one and one-third innings in relief out of the bullpen.

Parker Boerger took the loss for Hamlin. The righthander lasted four and two-thirds innings, allowing five hits and six runs while striking out five.

Larson went 2-for-3 at the plate to lead Groton Legion Post 39 in hits. Groton Legion Post 39 was sure- handed in the field and didn't chances in the field with six.

Grantham led Hamlin with two hits in three at bats.

Groton Post 39 Jr. Legion Slides Into a Blow-Out Win Over Hamlin

Groton Post 39 Jr. Legion cruised to an easy victory over Hamlin 10-2 on Thursday

In the first inning, Groton Post 39 Jr. Legion got their offense started. Gavin Englund drew a walk, scoring one run.

Kellen Antonsen was the winning pitcher for Groton Post 39 Jr. Legion. Antonsen surrendered two runs on three hits over five innings, striking out three and walking zero.

Gavin Maag took the loss for Hamlin. The righthander allowed six hits and six runs over three and two- thirds innings, striking out two.

Jose Mahe started the game for Hamlin. The pitcher lasted one-third of an inning, allowing two hits and four runs

Groton Post 39 Jr. Legion totaled eight hits. Huron Tigers 13U got on the board in the Logan Ringgenberg, Braxton Imrie, and Caden Mcinerney all collected multiple hits for Groton Post 39 Jr. Legion. Mcinerney, Imrie, and Ringgenberg each managed two hits to lead Groton Post 39 Jr. Legion.

Groton Post 39 Jr. Legion Can't Catch Up To Smittys

Groton Post 39 Jr. Legion watched the game slip away early and couldn't recover in a 5-1 loss to Smittys Junior Legion on Tuesday. Smittys Junior Legion scored on an error and a single by Donnie Soderlund in the first inning.

Smittys Junior Legion got things moving in Schelle was the winning pitcher for Groton jr. the first inning. An error scored two runs for Smittys Junior Legion 2023.

Michael Dutenhoffer was credited with the victory for Smittys Junior Legion. The hurler lasted four innings, allowing one hit and one run while striking out six and walking one. Joran Foss threw one inning in relief out of the bullpen.

Brevin Fliehs took the loss for Groton Post 39 Jr. Legion. The righty surrendered four runs on six hits over five innings, striking out two.

Fliehs and Braxton Imrie all had one hit to Smittys Junior Legion tallied seven hits on the day. Soderlund and Grant Beyer each Collyn H led Huron Tigers 13U with two hits managed multiple hits for Smittys Junior Legion.

in the game. Imrie, Kucker, Brevin Fliehs, and Carter Simon all had multiple hits for Groton Post 39 Jr. Legion. Kucker and Imrie all had five hits to lead Groton Post 39 Jr. Legion. Groton Post 39 Jr. Legion tore up the base paths, as three players stole at least two bases. Imrie led the way with two.

Hamlin Post 37 / 217 racked up seven hits. Watson Grantham and Maag each racked up multiple hits for Hamlin Post 37 / 217.

Groton Jr. Teeners Falls to Huron Tigers After Fourth Inning Score

Groton Jr. Teeners lost the Tead late in a 10-5 defeat to Huron Tigers 13U on Monday. The game was tied at three with Huron Tigers 13U batting in the bottom of the fourth when Colt C singled on a 1-0 count, scoring one run. Groton Jr. Teeners lost despite out-hitting

Two Groton Legion Post 39 Pitchers Rally Together In Shutout Victory Against Hamlin

Groton Legion Post 39 defeated Hamlin Post 6-0 on Wednesday as two pitchers combined to throw a shutout. Logan Ringgingberg induced a groundout from Carter Jutting to finish off the game.

Groton Legion Post 39 got on the board in the second inning when Caden McInerney grounded out, scoring one run.

Groton Legion Post 39 scored three runs in the third inning. Groton Legion Post 39's big bats in the inning were led by a single by Cade Larson and a groundout by Colby Dunker.

Tight Game Between Clark and Groton Jr. Teeners Ends in a Tie

Clark Area 14U tied the game on a single in the fourth inning as Groton Jr. Teeners tied Clark Area 14U 9-9 on Wednesday.

Groton Jr. Teeners got things started in the first inning. Groton Jr. Teeners scored one run when Ryder Schelle singled.

Groton Jr. Teeners collected six hits. Easton Weber and Schelle each racked up multiple hits for Groton jr. Teeners 14U. Schelle and Weber each collected two hits to lead Groton jr. Teeners 14U.

Clark Area 14U was sure-handed and didn't commit a single error. Jakob Steen made the most plays with five.

Groton Jr. Teeners Claws Back, but Falls Just Short Against Clark

Groton Jr. Teeners effort to come back from down five runs in the third inning came up just short, as they fell 5-4 to Clark Area 14U on Tuesday. Groton Jr. Teeners managed four runs in the failed comeback. Karson Zak, Easton Weber, and TC Schuster all picked up RBIs in the rally.

Groton Jr. Teeners couldn't keep up with Clark Area 14U early in the game. Clark Area 14U scored on a wild pitch by Ky Vandersnick in the first inning and a single by Watson Grantham in the second inning.

Clark Area 14U fired up the offense in the first inning. Ky Vandersnick's sac fly scored two runs for Clark Area 14U.

Max Bratland was the winning pitcher for Clark Area 14U. Max Bratland went six innings, allowing four runs on seven hits, striking out four and walking zero. Jakob Steen threw one inning in relief out of the bullpen.

Lincoln Krause was on the pitcher's mound for Groton jr. Teeners 14U. The righty surrendered five runs on four hits over three innings, striking out two. Nick Groeblinghoff threw three innings in relief.

Weber went 2-for-3 at the plate to lead Groton Jr. Teeners in hits.

Clark Area 14U racked up seven hits on the day. Grantham and Michael Severson each had multiple hits for Clark Area 14U.

Claremont Town June 13, 2023 **Meeting Minutes**

The Board of Trustees for the Town of Claremont met on 6-13-2023 at 7 p.m. in City Hall.

Johnson called the meeting to order with Trustees Rasmussen and Spencer present. Also present were Jill Hinrichs representing Community Club and Brett Gibbs with questions of disposing with junk and burning of the old house next door.

On a motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Spencer the minutes of the meeting were approved. Motion carried.

On a motion by Spencer and seconded by Rasmussen the following warrants were allowed: General:

New, street lights, 291.78; New, city hall, 71.81; GDI, publishing, 13.52; NAPA Auto Parts, parts/machinery & Shop, 258.13; Post Office, stamps, 63.00; Jason Spencer, trustees, 831.15; Frank Rasmussen, trustees, 831.15; Shane Johnson, trustee, 831.15; Charla Rye, wage, 350.00; Shane Johnson, gas pump and gas cans, 168.00; JVT, phone and internet, 142.45; Missi Smith, mowing at 29.5 hrs., 435.90; Jack Klinger, 8 hrs. road maintenance, 119.02; Jason Spencer, gas, 64.00; Shane Johnson, gas, 129.00.

WSSW: NEW, water, 91.73; New, sewer lift, 134.71; New, 2nd lift, 40.82; BDM, water purchased, 947.20; DANR, drinking water fee, 60.00; Hydro Klean, 1750.00; SD Dept. Health Lab, purification water, 15.00.

The firemen requested a temporary liquor license for 7-1-2023 at the firehall. This request was approved on a motion by Jason Spencer and seconded by Frank Rasmussen.

Michelle Jones of the Bull Pen would like to have a street dance on July 27th. She has agreed to have security. The board agreed. Jill Hinrichs requested time at the July Board Meeting for the

community club members. With no further business before the board a motion was made

by Rasmussen to adjourn, seconded by Spencer. Motion carried. CRve, FO

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2023 West Nile Virus Awards

PIERRE, S.D. - The South Dakota Depart-\$500,000 in grants to combat mosquitoes and prevent the spread of West Nile virus (WNV) in 2023. These grants have been allocated to support local efforts in controlling mosquito populations and reducing the risk of WNV transmission.

Grant recipients were selected based on various factors, including the population of the applying jurisdiction and its history of human WNV cases up until 2022. Every community that applied for funding has been awarded a grant, ranging from \$500 to \$20,000, reflecting the specific needs and challenges faced by each locality. These reimbursement grants are designed to alleviate some of the financial burdens associated with mosquito control measures necessary for protecting public health.

Secretary Melissa Magstadt expressed her gratitude for the ongoing dedication and proactive approach taken by communities in controlling mosquitoes and preventing the spread of West Nile virus. "Thanks for all your efforts to control mosquitoes and prevent West Nile virus. Your commitment to public health is commendable, and we appreciate the work you are doing to safeguard the well-being of our communities" said Secretary Melissa Magstadt.

Last week, the department issued a release announcing the detection of the first human case of WNV in Sanborn County.

Area towns receiving grants are: Aberdeen \$20,000, Andover \$750, Bristol \$1,138, Claremont \$1,500, Columbia \$1,137, Doland \$977, Groton \$4,993, Hecla \$2,000, Langford \$2,000, Pierpont \$1,000, Stratford \$1,936, Warner \$1,800, Westport \$1,700.

Heavens open up with rain!

What seemed like a long time in getting rain, the heavens opened up during the past week with much needed rain. Groton received 3.16 inches of rain since June -22nd. That boosts the total of month of

June	/	0.00
June	9	0.41
June	22	1.48
June	23	
	24	
June	25	0.10
June	27	0.37
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for June through the 28th at 3.51.

average through June 28th is 10.76.

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Dear EarthTalk: Can we mass produce heat pumps with the same effort as when the country retooled to make tanks for World War II? -- Jan K., via email

Environmental advocates are bullish on heat pumps as a better choice for home heating than the traditional options. "Heat pumps use only about a third as much electricity as baseboard electric heaters and considerably less energy than gas or oil furnaces," reports Bob Schildgen in Sierra magazine. "You don't need gas or oil to operate a heat pump, as it relies only on electricity."

Heat pumps were rare just a decade ago, but nowadays are now much more common. "The share of new homes using an air or ground source heat pump as the primary means of providing heat has increased, going from 23 percent in 2000 to 40 percent in 2021," reports the they use a lot less energy than baseboard elec-National Association of Home Builders. "Meanwhile, the share relying on a forced air systems has slipped, going from 71 to 58 percent in the same time frame." And in 2022, sales of heat pumps outpaced sales of gas furnaces for the first time ever.



Environmentalists like heat pumps because tric heat and oil or gas furnaces Credit: WFIU, FlickrCC.

While production is certainly ramping up on its own due to rising demand, the federal government could spearhead a more concerted effort to mandate a national switchover akin to retooling manufacturing for the WWII war effort. Of course, doing so would be no small task. During World War II, Americans mobilized their industrial capabilities to an unprecedented level, converting existing factories and building new ones to produce large numbers of tanks, planes and other military equipment. Similarly, to mass-produce heat pumps, it would require a substantial expansion of manufacturing capacity, including retooling existing factories or constructing new ones.

Another hurdle to overcome would be building up the supply chain. Heat pumps require various components and materials, including compressors, heat exchangers, motors and refrigerants. Ensuring a consistent and reliable supply of these components would be essential to meet production demands. Finding large numbers of skilled workers to be trained in the intricacies of producing heat pumps would be yet another challenge to ramping up production World War II-style.

Perhaps the largest impediment of all to ramping up heat pump production way above current rates is mustering the political will to bring federal and other subsidies to bear in funding the effort. Similar to wartime efforts, substantial government support and coordination would be essential to drive the mass production of heat pumps. This support would include financial incentives, regulatory measures and collaboration between government agencies, manufacturers and research institutions. Such an endeavor could contribute significantly to addressing climate change and transitioning to more sustainable energy systems.

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Many of us have likely

been educated on how to be healthier, which includes the foods we should consume, and the exercise we should complete on a daily basis, so we can achieve being 'healthy.' This information is important to know, but have you ever been educated about the risks that your current diet and habits of daily living impose on your health?

An 'unhealthy' diet that is filled with excessive amounts of sugars, fast foods, fatty and processed foods, as well as alcohol can increase your risk of acquiring high cholesterol. Tobacco use or exposure to tobacco can also have a negative impact on your cholesterol, as well as a lack of physical exercise.

When your cholesterol is elevated to a certain level it can be known as hyperlipidemia, dyslipidemia, or hypercholesterolemia. Cholesterol is a fat found within your body. Though it is good to have this, too much of it can cause negative health effects.

Most people likely do not realize they have this until they are screened within a clinic setting with their primary care provider. Others may find out that they have this disease once a significant event occurs, such as a heart attack or stroke. These events in specific, can occur as a result of high cholesterol.

When your cholesterol is too high it can build up in your blood system and cause blockages making it hard for your blood to pass through, or even cause blood clots.

We commonly start screening for high cholesterol as young as the age of 9, and continue forward based on each individual's risk.

For many people high cholesterol can be preventable, yet for some it is familial. To prevent high cholesterol, we recommend maintaining a healthy weight, daily physical exercise, avoiding tobacco, as well as a healthy diet.

For those that have been screened and are proven to have high cholesterol levels, we recommend the same lifestyle modifications mentioned above for initial treatment. Making these changes can be beneficial to many other disease states as well.

If these lifestyle modifications do not demonstrate benefit to your cholesterol level, there are medications that can be taken to help lower your risk of worsening condition and prevent poor health outcomes. Get screened. Know your risk. Making these changes to your lifestyle now, can help prevent significant medical concerns later.

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