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1973 50th Class Reunion

Back: Karl Eichler, Rick Odland, John Erickson, Chris Julson, Jay Johnson, Rod Everson, Alan Strom, Faye Siefkes, Lori Niehoff, Barry Smith, Gordon Finlay, Kevin Anderson, Tim Zoellner, Wynella Abeln

Middle: Julie Shilhanek, Wayne Fulker, Shirley Guthmiller, Barney Dombrowe, Loren Bahr, Sherry Turner, Neal Abeln, Anita Horecka, Marilyn Thum, Amy Schwab, Mark Koffler, Steve Daly

Front: Steve Dunker, Randy Ries, Kim Raap, Jim Sundermeyer, Larry Kolbo, Loren Schaller, Krys Ferrington, LeAnn Conn, Gloria Huber, Kim Holt, Cliff Pray

Missing: Mary Fruedenthal, Karen Zoellner, Doris Anderson, Mark Neuman, Chuck Knecht, Marjie Klebsch (Photo courtesy Wynella Abeln)

Baseball complex projects, water rate increase discussed during Groton City Council meeting by Elizabeth Varin

Groton took one step forward, but are now two steps back from a new concession stand at the baseball fields.

The city received notice at the end of August that a grant application for the replacement of the concession stand and bathroom at the complex on the west side of town would not receive federal funding next year.

The city and Groton Baseball/Softball Foundation applied for a federal Land and Water Conservation Fund grant in April through the state's Department of Game, Fish and Parks. The state department received applications for assistance with 20 projects totaling \$2.2 million, but only recommended seven to be funded by the federal grant.

"We're kind of back to square one," said Councilman Jason Wambach.

The concession stand and bathroom replacement project was estimated to cost more than \$222,000 as of April, but \$10,000 of that budget was for a walk-in cooler that the grant wouldn't have covered. The city applied for funding that would cover about 35 percent of the project, not including the walk-in cooler. The total requested amount was \$65,667.

The city and baseball/softball foundation had planned to split the remaining costs of the project.

However, with the Aug. 31 letter, both the city and foundation are reconsidering funding options.

"That's kind of what they're asking right now," Wambach said. "Where do we go from here? "In reality, I think they still want to move forward with it," he added. "It's just a question of what the city could do.'

Council members talked through options for putting funding toward the project.

"It would still be a tough pill to swallow, but for me, if they want to move forward, I think

Music Department looking for followers/chaperones for the 2024 Spring Music Trip

On May 17-20, 2024 the Groton Band and Show Choir will be taking a 4 day/3 night trip to Branson, MI. Some of the attractions on the trip include the Titantic Mueseum, Branson Landing, Legends in Concert, Silver Dollar City Theme Park, The Track GoKarts, Wonderworks, and the Haygoods Show.

"We are looking to fill up more seats, otherwise the trip cost will increase due to the low numbers of students attending," said Mrs. Yeigh Groton 5-12 Band Director. "The cost of the trip is estimated at \$850 but will increase if we can't fill up the 56-Passenger Motorcoach." The trip also includes 3 nights at a hotel, Motorcoach Transportation, 3 Continental Breakfasts, 1 Dinner at the Fall Creek Steak House, 1 Dinner at Pasghetti's Restaurante, and 1 Silver Dollar City Meal Voucher. There is a \$50 deposit required by October 1st for all those planning to attend.

If you are interested or would like more details, please contact Mrs. Yeigh at the school, or e-mail her at desiree.yeigh@k12.sd.us

they have to cover what the grant would have covered," said Councilman Brian Bahr. "It's the only fair way, in my opinion."

Councilman Karyn Babcock asked if the city could apply for funding again next year, which they can, and whether there would be any room in the budget for next year to allocate some fundina.

Councilman Kevin Nehls asked whether there would be any funding left over from this fiscal year that could be rolled over into the project fund.

Finance Officer Douglas Heinrich said this year's budget included \$124,585 for baseball and softball recreation costs, including coaches salaries, travel expenses and more. When all the bills are paid for the season, there would be about \$8,000 left of that allocation.

That money could roll over to the construction costs, Nehls suggested.

"At least they can put it towards that,' he said. "I know it's only eight grand, but it's something to go toward that direction."

Nehls said, though, that he doesn't see the city being able to evenly split the costs of the project between the foundation and city. It would take the city's portion rise from a little less than \$61,000 to \$93,810.

Council members also discussed splitting costs of the project to both the 2024 and 2025 fiscal year budgets. The grant would have required construction to be completed by the end of the 2024 calendar year, but without that limitation, the city could look to the next year's budget to help with those costs too.

"All of these programs, the pool, baseball, it's needed in our community," Wambach said. No decision was made Tuesday about funding the project.

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When you are helping with GDILIVE. COM, you just never know what you are going to get yourself into. At the Clark/ Willow Lake volleyball match, the guy operating their livestream equipment asked if they could use our commentary over their network. Instead of wearing two hats, Ryan Tracy was wearing two headsets during the volleyball match.

(Photo by Paul Kosel)

Weekly Vikings Recap -Vikings vs. Eagles

By Jack & Duane Kolsrud

Coming off a short week of rest after a tough loss to the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, the Minnesota Vikings headed out to Philadelphia to face the defending NFC champion Eagles on Thursday night. Given the short week, the Vi-Bradbury and Christian Darrisaw, which would show Thursday night against arguably the best defensive line in football. Like last week, the story of the game for the Vikings was the backbreaking turnovers. It is starting to make Vikings fans wonder if the Vikings' luck from last year has not only run out but that it has completely flipped into making the Vikings the unluckiest team in the NFL this year.

Despite the turnovers, the Vikings played well in the first half. For the most part, the defense was able to contain Jalen Hurts in the passing game and when he did break out of the pocket, Jordan Hicks did a great job of chasing him down to force only short runs. As mentioned though, for all the defense's successes in the first half, they were quickly tainted by the offense and special teams' inability to hold onto the ball.

It is not great when a team turns the ball over, but for some reason, the Vikings find a way to make them a little bit worse. Two of the Vikings' turnovers came on fumbles right after the Vikings' defense made a key stop on the Eagles' offense. Not only did these fumbles kill momentum for the Vikings but they gave the Vikings' defense little to no rest on the sideline. When playing a team like the Eagles who can wear you down running the ball, a defense like the Vikings needs as much rest as they possibly can throughout the game.

The biggest turnover of the game for the Vikings, however, came at the end of the first half. With under 1:00 in the first half, the Vikings found themselves trailing 7-3 with a chance to take the lead into halftime. Instead, the football goods would have other thoughts as Justin Jefferson, who might I add is the best non-quarterback in the NFL right now, fumbled the ball into the back of the endzone, leading to a touchback and the Eagles' ball. Instead of leading 10-7 at the half, the Vikings instead were down 10-3 after a Jake Elliott field goal as the first half expired.

The second half was not much different for the Vikings as Kirk Cousins fumbled the ball on a strip sack by Eagles' edge rusher, Josh Sweat. The Eagles quickly turned the Vikings' mistake into an Eagles' touchdown and the game was never really close again. After being on the field so much in the first half, the Vikings' defense started to wear down to the Eagles' run game. Eagles' running back, D'Andre Swift, who coming into this game had only four

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100-yard rushing games in his four-year career, had an easy 100 rushing yards by the midway point of the third quarter. And if the Eagles got in 3rd and short position, they could pull out their patented guarterback sneak, which was a guaranteed first down every time Thursday night. In totality, the Eagles rushed for over 250 yards on the ground.

Despite their best efforts, the Vikings could kings were without offensive lineman, Garrett not mount a comeback as they fell to the Eagles for the second year in a row. If you remove the four turnovers, the Vikings did feel like a team that was just as good as the Eagles on Thursday night.

Eagles 34 - Vikings 28

Looking ahead, the Vikings will host Justin Herbert and the Los Angeles Chargers next Sunday. This will be a must-win for the Vikings as an 0-3 start to the season is pretty much a death sentence for an NFL team, especially one in a tough division like the NFC North. Hopefully, the Vikings can finally get in the win column, or else Vikings fans might start looking toward 2024 NFL quarterback draft prospects already three weeks into the season.

Signs of autumn

I woke up Saturday morning and saw three deer strolling past my bedroom window. Our shelter belt has become a nature reserve over the years, a haven for deer, game birds, an eagle, the neighbors' cows, and the comic stylings of raccoons.

I used to keep a large feeder by the garage to

accommodate our now-deceased St. Bernard, Atlas, who was the size of an NFL lineman, and one evening Dylan pulled into the yard and spotted two raccoons crawling on the bin. He watched, bemused, for 20 minutes, while the pair tried to free their brother who had enthusiastically gotten stuck inside. We finally had to call Triple A.

Then there was the mama fox who for a couple of years insisted on building a den at the end of the driveway and would yip at us, telling us to move on. One evening, I glanced out and the kits were sitting out quietly watching the sunset like something out of a Terry Redlin painting.

The deer return in the fall, and this morning when I looked out after hitting snooze seven times (not exaggerating), the leaves had seemingly turned orange overnight. By the way, I'm not sure if the snooze feature is a convenience or some sort of self-inflicted torture device. It's surely indicative of the decline of Western Civilization.

They say hope "springs" eternal, but around here it's in the fall. The Minnesota Twins have shown signs of life recently with a trio of rookies, no less, and we're running around here like Jim Carrey. "So you're saying there's a chance..." God help me, I believe there is.

After I've exhausted my "snoozes," I often lie there a while to take in the clucking of the pheasants and the faint wails of anguish from Minnesota. The problem with the Minnesota Vikings is that they're juuuuust good enough to give us hope, but given their history of breaking more hearts than Taylor Swift, it's like betting on the Washington Generals.

It's sort of mandated, because of proximity, that you cheer for the Vikings, and I do. I also have backup teams. I lived in Denver for three years so there are the Broncos, and for some unknown reason, I adopted the Dolphins in 1968, a grade school infatuation, and the only team that seems like a plausible bet this year.

My brother lives near the Wisconsin border, so he's a Packers fan, a team owned by the fans, which is kinda cumbersome. When they want to bring a free agent to Green Bay, I think it involves "Go Fund Me." Green Bay is the Siberia of the NFL. Unless you like BINGO. Even Denny's closes at 10.

If you're a fantasy footballer like I am, it gets pretty weird because you're cheering for players instead of teams. At the end of the year when I settle up my losses, I always write "donation" on the check. If the IRS wants to fight me on this, they can. I'm pretty sure Dallas Lang is a 501c3.

Of course the biggest controversy each fall involves pumpkin spice. I like my pumpkin pie but I can take or leave a pumpkin spice cappuccino. But somehow, pumpkin spice has become a political dividing line. Live and let live, I say, leave the LGBTQP community alone.

I don't even know if the pumpkin spice in coffee is real.

Spoiler alert: I'm about to reveal something shocking, so if you still believe in the Tooth Fairy, Easter Bunny, Playboy Bunnies, Santa Claus, or the Great Pumpkin, put this column away now.

Pumpkin pies are not made of pumpkins! It's true. Because pumpkins taste bad. All the cans of "pumpkin" filling you find in the stores are 100% squash. While we're at it, Tiger Meat is not made from tigers, Five Guys Burgers are not made from five guys, chickens don't have fingers, there's no such thing as boneless wings, and head cheese is... never mind.

Your whole life is a lie.

Stop hating on candy corn, too. If people want to eat wax, leave them alone. It's the only way some of us can revisit our childhood. It's a crayon substitute. When they make Elmer's gummies, we'll be in heaven.

OK, I'm going to hit snooze again, if you haven't already.

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by Tony Bender



Youth Football Jamboree held Saturday in Groton



5th and 6th grade warming up for their game We had 14 teams, 24 games, over 60 volunteers, over 200 players, and over 800 spectators for the Youth Football Jamboree held Saturday in Groton. We were very blessed to have great weather for the day and so lucky to have the support from all the community members that helped volunteer for the day to make the jamboree very successful. It took weeks of planning and preparation to make it run as smooth as it did. Special thanks to Dion and Sam Bahr of the Jungle for making all the delicious pizza and Matt Johnson from Kens Super Fair Foods for delivering doughnuts and freezies to the concession stand.

Big thank you to the Groton Firemen and Kens Super Fair Foods for their monetary donations. - Tigh Fliehs



Aerial photo of the successful day (Courtesy Photo from Tigh Fliehs)



3rd and 4th Grade ready to go for their first game of the day (Courtesy Photo from Tigh Fliehs)



Dion Bahr delivering pizza with a smile! Over 500 slices of pizza sold for the day!

(Courtesy Photo from Tigh Fliehs)

City Council

Continued from front

Councilman Bahr added he would like to see where the city is at the alternate should Gengerke rescind his bid. The vote to finalize the end of the fiscal year when all baseball and softball expenses from this year have been paid.

Another problem at the baseball fields made its way before the council Tuesday.

Council members discussed the grandstand heaving, where the concrete below the grandstand has started to lift. That has become a safety issue, said Councilwoman Babcock.

City staff are looking into the issue to see what can be done to fix the grandstand.

City looking to water rate increase in October

The city may look at a water rate increase at the council's Oct. 3

lease agreement will be presented to the council at its next meeting, said Finance Officer Douglas Heinrich.

 Council members commented on the pickle ball court appearance after it was resurfaced due to the concrete cracking. While it looks good from the street, there are still some issues, said Councilwoman Karyn Babcock. She showed the council photos of cracks still present on the court, including one area where the paint is bubbling up. "The paint looks pretty. The nets look pretty. That (the bubbling paint spot) is not something that is going to stop the ball. It's not a safety issue. That bubble is not going to cause someone to trip. It's not going to cause the ball to bounce funny," she said. Councilman Brian Bahr added, "I think it's the best it's going to get. It's a vast improvement." Councilwoman Babcock brought up administrative issues at the The city was notified that WEB Water is increasing their water rates swimming pool. There were periods of time when two pool managers worked at the same time. That is something that was discussed with the co-managers before the summer began. However, those issues boil down to staffing, water safety documentation requirements and that much of the management at the pool is done on paper instead of electronically. "They're drowning, literally, no pun intended," she said. "They need some type of help that would improve their ability to process all of this in a more efficient way. I don't know what it (the The council approved ordering a new door for a city building that Mayor Scott Hanlon agreed, asking that the rate increase be put on would allow the larger equipment to be stored indoors during the winter. Councilman Bahr presented a bid that included the price of the door and labor to install it. However, he added, he hasn't been able to get a quote on reframing the door. "I don't know if we just need to table this one for another meeting. I think it's really important to get • The city opened bids to lease 95 acres of land at the airport a new door in before winter. ... If we're going to do this, we better get going real guick," he said. Councilman Wambach suggested moving forward with purchasing the door in case that takes time to arrive. "Time is of the essence," said Councilwoman Wells. "We're almost at the end of September. It could be snowing in October."

meeting.

effective in October. The rate would go up 33 cents per 1,000 gallons of water used and 68 cents per 1,000 over-the-contract rate.

The city has already recently raised water rates for the new water tower and other WEB Water increases, said Councilwoman Shirley Wells. This rise, though, would be 33 cents per 1,000 gallons used and 66 cents for 2,000 gallons used.

"A bottle of water is \$4 at the store," joked Councilman Bahr.

However, the city has typically followed WEB Water in when the solution) is." water system has instituted a rate increase.

the Oct. 3 agenda.

"We always follow," he said. "Like Brian said, we can't go backward, so we have to follow."

In Other Action:

north of Groton. Shawn Gengerke Farms submitted the highest bid at \$252.10 per tillable acre. Four other sealed bids were opened, which included \$225 per acre from Rix Farms Inc., \$195.23 per acre from Thurston Cattle Company, \$247 per acre from Darin and Kayde Stange and \$211.50 per acre from Jonathan Cutler. The council awarded the two-year lease to Shawn Gengerke Farms, with the Stange bid as an

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Westport Town Sept. 4, 2023 **Meeting Minutes**

Town of Westport General Meeting September 4th 2023

The Town of Westport met on September 4th, 2023 with Shane

The following expenses were presented:

City General

NWPS (\$325.88), Groton Independent (\$18.21), David's lawn (\$640.00), Dahme Contruction (\$104.05), Dakota pump and Control (\$816.33), Payroll- Jeff Schroder (\$284.11), Shane Storm (\$410.00), Mitch Wilson (\$260.00), Larry Schmit (\$180.00) & Doreen Hertel(\$1,500.00)

Sewer

NWPS (\$41.20), NRWA –loan repayment (\$210.13)

Water WEB (\$1,688.39)

Shane Storm made motion to pay all bills; second by Mitch Wilson. The following deposits were presented:

City General

Brown County Collections (\$469.59), State of SD (\$2,014.78), Building permits (\$30.00), Interest (\$164.24)

Sewer Resident Payments- (\$2,250.00).

Water

Resident Payments – (\$2,375.92) NEW BUSINESS:

No new or old business was discussed.

Doreen Hertel, Finance Officer

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Columbia City Notice of Surplus Property

Notice of Surplus Property

The Columbia City Council has declared the following item as surplus property: Woods Three Point mower. Sealed bids will be accepted at Columbia City Hall. Bids are due by October 4, 2023, by 5:00pm and will be opened that same evening during the regu-lar council meeting at 7:00pm. Please call 605-396-2655 or email columbiacity@nvc.net with any questions. The City Council reserves the right to refuse any and all bids.

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Columbia City Sept. 13, 2023 **Meeting Minutes**

City of Columbia Council Meeting – September 13, 2023 CALL MEETING TO ORDER

7:00 p.m. ROLL CALL - Cara Dennert, Corey Mitchell, Cole Kampa, Trevor Meints (via phone), Em-

ily Eichler, Meghan Butler Community:

Jeremy Dosch, Adam Roettele Corey Mitchell called the meeting to order. He called for a motion to approve the agenda. Cole Kampa made a motion to approve the posted agenda. Emily Eichler seconded the motion. All in favor - motion carried. Corey Mitchell called for any conflict of interest on agenda items. There were no conflicts. Minutes were passed out from the August 2nd meeting. Meghan Butler made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Trevor Meints seconded the motion. All in favor - motion carried.

Warrant Vouchers: Agtegra – fuel – 466.39; Web Water – fire prevention – 48.78; Columbia Baseball - donation towards scoreboard - 5000.00; Runnings - shop supplies - 87.53; JVT- fire prevention - 206.77; United States Treasury – 2nd quarter 2022 missing tax payment-455.15; Jeremy Dosch – August wages – 419.99; Cara Dennert – August wages– 1235.25; Public Health Laboratory – lagoon anal-ysis – 47.00; B&B Contracting – blading streets – 1700.00; Brown County Treasurer - mosquito spraying - 1010.28; Johnson Rock & Gravel – gravel for streets - 1590.38; Dacotah Bank – shop supplies – 125.00; Olivia Stiegelmeier - Summer Rec. - 120.00; Anna Bisbee – Summer Rec. – 230.00; Emily Eichler — Summer Rec. – 296.46; Corey Mitchell – August wages & rental- 252.82; GDI – publication – 42.49; Northwestern Energy –electricity for new parks – 570.04; Siegel Barnett & Schutz - lawyer fees \$1,942.39; Brown County Sheriff's Office – nuisance assistance – 68.00; Double D Lot Services - new park mowing 6214.00; Hall Sand & Gravel gravel – 290.85; Web Water
fire prevention – 47.78; JVT – fire prevention – 206.46; Run-nings – shop supplies - 217.95; Northwestern Energy - electricity - 569.51; Greg's Repair – pickup repairs - 593.80

Cole Kampa made a motion to accept the vouchers as presented. Meghan Butler seconded the motion. All in favor - motion carried.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS / CORESPONDENCE:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS -Corey passed out lease agreement that was drawn up by our lawyer. Emily had a question about outside ball tournaments being held at the park – that will be handled through the Columbia Baseball organization. Adam was present to discuss the sewer inlet valve on his home. The work that needs to be completed has to be done by a plumber in Adam's basement. Corey will get a hold of the plumber. Adam also asked about the city's population sign. The last census puts the towns population at 181 – not the current 137 that is on the sign.

Nuisances - The council was alerted to a resident in town building without a permit and over boundary lines. Corey will look into this further. Joel with Code Enforcement will be assessing the situations in town in

mentioned that there are trees that need to be knocked down on the banks of the lagoon.

Rubble Site - no report NEW BUSINESS - Corey brought to the board the need NEW BUSINESS to surplus the Woods Three Point mower that we are no longer using. Emily Eichler made a motion to put the mower up for bids as surplus property. Cole Kampa seconded the motion. All were in favor - motion carried. That will be published as surplus property and put

up for bids. Interested parties should call the city and leave a message 605-396-2655 or e-mail columbiacity@nvc.net Corey passed out sheets outlining the International Property Maintenance Code that we are thinking about adopting for addition to our ordinances. Council members will be reading those over to adopt next month. Meghan Butler let the board know that next month will be her last as a council member. The council will be looking for a replacement for the remainder of her term which will expire in 2024.

FINANCIAL REPORT -Cara Dennert presented bank bal-ances. Cole Kampa made a motion to accept the financial reports as given. Meghan Butler seconded the motion. All were in favor – motion carried. The board continued to look over financial information given at the last meeting regarding revenue & expenditures and the 2023 budget. There was continued discussion regarding the new parks maintenance. Cara con-tacted Rod Fortin with the Department of Legislative Audit for guidance. The council reviewed the proposed 2024 budget. After discussion, Emily Eichler made a motion to pass the first reading of the 2024 budget ordinance. Cole Kampa seconded the motion. All were in favor - motion carried. Second reading will be September 21st at 7:00 p.m.

August 31, 2023 balances: SF - \$ 158,921.54\$; SF Money Market -\$ 50,320.06;

GF - \$ 141,201.91; GF Money Market - \$ 50,320.06; CD Money Market - \$ 32,111.85; FIT - \$14,586.10; Cash on

hand - \$0

Mayor Corey Mitchell declared the meeting adjourned.

Next City Council Meeting September 21st - 7:00 p.m. Second reading of 2024 Budget) Next Regular City Council Óctober 4, 2023 1eeting – 7:00 p.m.

Submitted by Cara Dennert, Finance Officer

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Claremont Town Sept. 13, 2023 **Meeting Minutes**

The board of trustees for ne town of Claremont met on 9-13-2023 at 7:00 pm in city hall. President Johson called the meeting to order with trustees Rasmussen and Spencer present. On a motion by Spencer and seconded by Rasmussen the minutes of the August meeting were approved as read. On a motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Spencer the following warrants were allowed: General: Charla Rye, wage, 350.00; Department of Legislative Audit, Internal control Audit, 2574.00; Johnson Gravel, gravel for streets, 2811.88; Missi Šmith, 14.5 hrs. mowing, 214.26; Jack Klinger, 8hrs. street, 118.22; James Valley, phone internet and sewer phone, 138.86; Full Circle Ag, propane, 790.33; Post Office, stamps, 66.00; GDI, pub-lishing, 15.73; Br. Co. Treasurer, mosquito, 560.00; NWE, street lights, 314.56; NWE, city hall, 121.43; WSSW: NWE, pump-house power, 53.70; NWE, lifft power x2, 80.66; BDM, water purchased, 1298.75; DPC, service call mileage, 721.43; Rural Development, loan payment, 576.00; Discussion of problems with current tractor and whether it was time to replace it. Trustees agreed to investigate replacement possiblities. The budget was reviewed and approved on a motion by Spencer and seconded by Rassmussen motion carried. On a motion by Rassmussen to adjourn and seconded by Spencer motion carried.

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regards to code violations.

Streets – Cole brought up the fact that there are many dead trees and overhanging trees that need to be taken care of. He is going to contact Northwestern Energy because some powerlines pass right through some trees. There are also some bushes that are growing into the street. The pot holes on the dump road have been filled. Corey is ordering street speed limit signs.

Parks - Emily had a question about rental or usage sign up for the picnic shelters in the new park. It helps if the city knows that someone or some group is planning on using them (in case there is some lawn work that is scheduled to be completed), but there will not be a sign up to use the facilities. It will just be first come first served.

- Meghan Lagoon/sewer met with Tom from DNAR. He walked through the reporting process with her. He said that the lagoons were looking good – there are some cattails that need to be addressed. Evelyn from the DNAR office put together a detailed binder with great step by steps in the reporting process. The lagoon site will not be audited until 2026. Corey

CRye, F.O.

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Frederick School Sept. 11, 2023 **Meeting Minutes** FREDERICK AREA SCHOOL

DISTRICT #6-2

Regular Board of Education Meeting

September 11, 2023 A regular meeting of the Frederick Area Board of Education was called to order on September 11, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. by President Rich Schlosser. Members present were Rich Achen, Jon Ellwein, Alex Hart and Eric Sumption. Others pres-ent were Superintendent/9-12 Principal/Athletic Director Jeff Kosters, PreK-8 Principal Jessica Ringgenberg and Business Manager Shauna Severson. Others in attendance: Sharon Langley; Dan Miller and Lee Dobrinz via Zoom.

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

No one was present for public comment.

2024-029 Motion by Achen, second by Sumption to approve the agenda as presented. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

No conflict of interest disclosures.

2024-030 Motion by Ellwein, second by Hart to approve the following consent agenda items. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

a. August 8, 2023 Regular Meeting and August 25, 2023 Special Meeting Minutes

b. August 2023 Payroll August 2023 Financial

Report

d. September Bills

e Transfer \$1000.00 from Ovid Stevens Checking to Savings Financial Report:

General Fund- Checking: Bal 8-1-23: \$415,290.28; Re-ceipts: \$93,982.32; Disburse-ments: \$211,177.39; Bal 8-31-23 \$298,095.21. Investments: Bal 8-1-23: \$683,383.74; Interest: \$8.99; Bal 8-31-23: \$683,392.73. Ending Fund Balance: \$981,487.94.

Imprest Fund: Bal 8-1-23: \$4,591.00; Receipts: \$409.00; Disbursements: \$2,252.50; Bal 8-31-23 \$2,747.50.

Capital Óutlay Fund- Check-ing: Bal 8-1-23: \$983,111.04; Receipts: \$1,660.72; Disbursements: \$64,227.57; Bal 8-31-23 \$920,544.19 Investments: Bal 8-31-23: \$1,553,800.96. Ending Fund Balance: \$2,474,345.15.

Special Education Fund-Checking: Bal 8-1-23: \$89,902.23; Receipts: \$372.70; Disbursements: \$19,590.44; Bal 8-31-23 \$70,684.49. Investments: Bal 8-1-23: \$1,443,913.67. Ending Fund Balance: \$1,514,598.16.

Food Service Fund: Bal 8-1-23: \$5,271.66; Receipts: \$9,010.00; Disbursements: \$10,551.95; Bal 8-31-23 \$3,729.71.

Drivers Ed Fund: Bal 8-31-23 \$.04.

Custodial Fund: Bal 8-1-23: \$37,350.59; Receipts: \$3,280.30; Disbursements: \$8,743.97; Bal 8-31-23 \$31,886.92.

Ovid J Stevens Scholarship: Checking: Bal 8-31-23 \$1000.85. Investments: Bal 8-31-23: \$24,499.86. Ending Fund Balance: \$25,500.71.

Claims approved: General Fund salaries 62,906.77; Special Education salaries 8,789,13: Food Service salaries 590.09 EFTPS, federal income tax/Social Security/Medicare 20,086.76; AFLAC, supplemental insurance 1,147.27; American Funds, retirement 1,342.52; Delta Dental, insurance 1,856.52; Northern

6,000.00; Pantorium Cleanerssupplies, 142.15; Pashen, Jennifer-education reimbursement, 114.44: Podoll, Caitlin-education reimbursement, 500.00; Price Plumbing-repairs, 110.00; Run-11. nings-supplies, 52.34; SASD-AI 114 training, 100.00; Sams Club-12 membership, 52.60; Schwan 12 Electric-electric work, 947.25; 212 SDASBO-fall conference, 100.00; 21 SDBCA-bball coach dues, 32.98; 21 SD Council of Admin-counselor 21 workshop, 55.00; SDHSCA-22 22 coaching memberships, 270.40; 23 Sewer Duck-porta potty delivery, 67.50; Taylor Music-repairs, 23 44.00; Teachers Pay Teachers-24 curriculum supplements, 62.10; 24 Time Management Systems-24 Red Rover, 4,890.05; Town of Frederick-utilities, 631.20; VanMeter Entertainment-prom 25 25 25 DJ, 1,100.00; WalMart-FFVP, 25 medical, hoco supplies, 194.29; 25 Woodman Refrigeration-freezer 27 repairs, 591.30. Capital Out-27 27 lav Fund: AbeBooks-textbooks, 44.65; Amazon-textbooks, 39 13.73; Cengage Learning-text-610 books, 717.30; Century Business Products-copiers, 306.66; 620 65 69 Generation Genius-lesson subscription, 125.00; Jensen Rock & Sand-parking lot repairs, 70 81 3,242.24; Johnson Controls-81 building efficiency, 17,715.36; 81 Lenovo-computer, 704.60; TO Pauer Sound-speakers/install, 5,705.00; Warner School Dis-ME trict-2015 International School 10 Bus, 26,892.50. Special Education Fund: ABAeCARE-direct 20 therapy, 707.00; LessonPix-30 40 subscription, 36.00; NCSEC-first half local share assessment. TO 10,224.44; Parent-mileage, 51 40.40; USD Center for Disabili-51 ties-conference/training, 425.00. TO Food Service Fund: Cash Wa Di-CASH RESERVES rect-supplies, 63.11; CWD-food/ supplies, 7,566.46; Commu-TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCE nity Store-food, 14.99; Hubbs, Amanda-lunch refund, 4.30; Pantorium Cleaners-kitchen supplies, 70.00; SNA-membership, 51.00; WalMart-supplies/shelf 180.88. Imprest Fund: DeVine Valeree-VB ref (2), 200.00; Dickey County Sheriff-fingerprints, 10.00; Division of Criminal Investigation-background check, 43.25; First National Bank-admission cash boxes, 1000.00; Hanson, Justin-FB ref 125.00; Hoven School District-XC 35.00; Jondahl, Tannermeet, FB ref/mileage, 137.75; Leonhardt, Elizabeth-VB ref/mileage Meeting Minutes September 19, 2023 (2), 251.00; Nelson, Clay-FB ref, 125.00; Planteen, Dave-FB ref/mileage, 150.50; Redfield School District-XC meet, 50.00; on the above date at 7:00 p.m. Rohrbach, Matt-FB ref, 125.00. Custodial Fund: Amazon-XC, at 120 N Main Street for their second monthly meeting with 79.98; Barondeau, Janelle-XC, the following members present: Bahr, Babcock, Wells, Wambach, 120.00; Coca Cola-concessions, 1,723.50; CWD Direct-conces-Nehls, and Mayor Hanlon presidsions, 83.94; CWD-concessions, ing. Also present were: Attorney 1,110.01; DSS-XC, 1,658.00; Drew Johnson, Douglas Heinrich, and Elizabeth Varin

First National Bank-concessions cash box, 500.00; Kbethos-XC, 87.46; Kens-concessions, 140.56; Kesslers-concessions, 140.24; Kosters, Jeff-LRC chair, 300.00; Lisa's Embroidery-XC, 112.00; Geffdog(MB LLC)-VB, 422.90; Pashen, Brock-BBB, 1,798.92; Pizza Ranch-LRC, 123.39; Sams Club-concessions, 390.48; Severson, Shauna-LRC treasurer, 300.00; WalMart-XC, 29.50; Ware, Leesa-VB, 242.67 The following reports were

presented: Dan Miller and Lee Dobrinz:

JLG Architects via Zoom Jeff Kosters: Superintendent/9-12 Principal/Athletic Director

Jessica Ringgenberg: PreK-8 Principal

Shauna Severson: Business Manager

	FISCAL YEAR 2024	4 FREDERICK AR	EA SCHOOL	DISTRICT #6-	2 BUDGET		
	EXPENDITURES	GENERAL	CAPITAL	SPECIAL EDUCATION	FOOD	DRIVERS	TOTAL
110 120 130 140	Elementary Programs Middle/Junior High Programs High School Programs	\$460,627 \$203,850 \$271,255 \$29,635	\$61,525 \$26,523 \$28,111				\$522,152 \$230,373 \$299,366
220	Preschool Programs Special Education Programs	\$29,035	\$2,032	\$320,938			\$31,667 \$320,938
270	Title I Program	\$97,669		4520,550			\$97,669
120	Guidance Services	\$63,969					\$63,969
140	Psychological Services	. ,		\$4,499			\$4,499
150	Speech Pathology Services			\$11,656			\$11,656
170	Student Therapy Services			\$35,000			\$35,000
210	Improvement of Instruction Services	\$4,740					\$4,740
220	Educational Media Services	\$114,013	\$96,519				\$210,532
310	Board of Education Services	\$108,510	£1 474				\$108,510
320 410	Office of the Superintendent Services Office of the Principal Services	\$139,927 \$136,416	\$1,424 \$1,469				\$141,351 \$137,885
440	Title I Program Administration	\$1,891	\$1, 1 09				\$1,891
490	Other Support Services	\$200					\$200
520	Fiscal Services	\$105,888	\$6,150				\$112,038
530	Facilities Acquision and Construction Serv	ices	\$10,000				\$10,000
540	Operation & Maintenance of Plant Service		\$89,210				\$325,989
550	Student Transportation Services	\$151,914	\$26,893				\$178,807
560	Food Services	\$7,050	\$2,895	+C 100	\$107,607		\$117,552
710	Special Education Administrative Costs			\$6,422			\$6,422
730 740	Special Education Transportation Costs			\$400 \$1,000			\$400 \$1,000
900	Special Education Transportation Costs Other Community Services			\$1,000		\$4,708	\$4,708
100	Male Activities	\$51,639	\$10,443			φ1,700	\$62,082
200	Female Activities	\$34,515	\$7,737				\$42,252
500	Transportation	\$13,638	1 / -				\$13,638
900	Combined Activities	\$105,416	\$1,898				\$107,314
000	Contingencies	\$25,000					\$25,000
110	Transfers Out to General Fund	+26 107	\$300,000				\$300,000
110	Transfers Out to Food Service	\$36,107					\$36,107
110 OTA	Transfers Out to Drivers Education L EXPENDITURES	\$2,258 \$2,402,906	\$672,829	\$379,915	\$107,607	\$4,708	\$2,258 \$3,567,965
JIA	L LAPENDITORES	\$Z,40Z,900	\$072,029	\$379,913	\$107,007	μ 4,700	\$3,307,905
EAI	NS OF FINANCE	GENERAL	CAPITAL OUTLAY	SPECIAL EDUCATION	FOOD SERVICE F	DRIVERS	TOTAL
000	Local Sources	\$1,103,954	\$596,761	\$276,990	\$45,500	\$2,450	\$2,025,655
000	Intermediate Sources	\$7,378	. ,	, ,	. ,		\$7,378
000	State Sources	\$839,789					\$839,789
000	Federal Sources	\$156,286	\$101,861		\$26,000		\$284,147
	LREVENUE	\$2,107,407	\$698,622	\$276,990	\$71,500	\$2,450	\$3,156,969
110	Transfers in from General Fund	4200 000			\$36,107	\$2,258	\$38,365
110 OTA	Transfers In from Capital Outlay	\$300,000 \$300,000			¢36 107	¢0 050	\$300,000 \$338,365
	L INTER-FUND TRANSFERS	\$300,000 _¢4 501	-¢25 703	¢102 025	\$36,107	\$2,258	\$338,365 \$72,631

2024-032 Motion by Hart, second by Achen to approve the submission of the FY2023 Annual Report pursuant to SDCL 13-8-47. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

2024-033 Motion by Sumption, second by Achen to approve the following Open Enroll-ments: SY2324-8, SY2324-9 and SY2324-10. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

Groton City

Sept. 19, 2023

The Groton City Council met

Moved by Wells and sec-

onded by Wambach to approve

the agenda with the removal

of airport discussion and park

saferoom update. Discussion

regarding the swimming pool was added to the agenda. All

Public comments were wel-

Five sealed bids were submit-

comed pursuant to SDCL 1-25-1,

ted for the 2-year Groton Mu-

nicipal Airport land lease: Shawn

Gengerke Farms at \$252.10 per

acre, Darin & Kayde Stange at

\$247 per acre, Rix Farms at \$225

per acre, Jon Cutler at \$211.50

per acre, and Thurston Cattle

at \$195.23 per acre. Moved by

Nehls and seconded by Bahr

to award the 2-year land lease

members present voted aye.

but none were received.

The board would like to recognize the following accomplishments: The Cross Country teams for their success at the Webster meet; Boys for placing 1st and Girls for placing 2nd; Andrew Schlosser placed 1st in the Junior High division. Congratulations to Jocelynn Ellwein for getting her 1,000th assist during the Aberdeen Christian game in

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by

unanimous vote of the city coun-

cil of the City of Groton, Brown

County, South Dakota, that the

above foregoing resolution de-

scribing the above foregoing city

property be hereby leased to the

highest bidder with said lease to

be approved at the October 3rd,

2023 council meeting. Moved by Wambach and sec-

onded by Wells to purchase the

replacement door for the hoop

barn from Aaron Anderson. All

Discussion took place regard-

Discussion took place regard-

ing the baseball concessions

project and the denial of the

LWCF grant. Additionally, discus-

sion took place regarding the status of the grandstand and other general topics such as

increasing fees and additional

The first reading of Ordinance

No. 770 Certifying 2024 City of

Groton Property Tax Levy to

Brown County was approved

on a motion by Wambach and

seconded by Bahr. All members

Moved by Babcock and sec-onded by Wells to approve the August finance report. All mem-

members present voted aye.

ing the swimming pool.

advertising.

present voted aye.

bers present voted aye.

-\$4,501 \$2,402,906

\$107,607 August. Jocelynn Ellwein and Sofia Losure were named to the All Tournament team in the Wolsey-Wessington volleyball tournament. Finally, the FASD School Board received the AS-BSD School Board Award of

\$25.793

\$672,829

second by Hart to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. All voted Aye. Motion

Excellence. 2024-034 Motion by Achen,

\$102,925

\$379,915

Inc., \$264.31, Utility overpayment/deposit refund; Dacotah Bank, \$6,638.33, Withholding/ S/Medicare; Dakotaland FCU, \$730.00, Employee savings; Dacotah Bank, \$622.90, HSA contributions; Dacotah Bank, \$3,433.67, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$50.00, HSA contributions; Brown County Treasurer, \$26.70, Registration of 2009 Sterling L9500 truck; SD State Treasurer, \$9,349.51, Sales & Excise Tax for August 2023; SD Supplemental Retirement, \$390.00, Supplemental retirement; Game Time, \$695.00, (5) anti-skid step panels for park; Groton Ford, LLC, \$514.17, Replacement of front brakes on 05' Tahoe; Associated Supply Co, Inc., \$1,858.84, Swimming pool chemicals; WAPA, \$23,367.50, Power Services - August 2022 Heartland Energy, \$65,890.98, Power Services - August 2022; Dacotah Bank Visa, \$1,973.43, Books for library, PD supplies for Family Fun Fest, bookends, glue sticks, fly strips, candy, monthly planner, Silly's costume for Family Fun Fest, Facebook advertisement boost, black ink cartridge, bubble machine for library, water samples, rubber goods testing postage, Jr.

trol; NW Energy, \$13.70, Natu-ral gas service - water tower; Schwan Welding & Boiler Repair, \$37.88, Sheet metal cut for City Hall dropbox; Groton Daily In-dependent, \$105.05, Publishing fees; April Abeln, \$40.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement July/August 2023; Branden Abeln, \$40.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement - July/ August 2023; Douglas Heinrich, \$40.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement - July/August 2023; Landon Johnson, \$40.00, Employee cell phone reimburse ment - July/August 2023; Kellie Locke, \$40.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement - July/ August 2023; Greg's Repair, \$400.12, New coolant reservoir coolant, new battery - 2021 PD Tahoe; Colonial Research Chemical Corp., \$148.28, Air freshener tags - Parks:

\$3,567,965

\$4,708

Rich Schlosser, President

Shauna Severson, Business

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carried.

Manager

Discussion took place regarding WEB Water increasing their rates in October of 2023.

Elizabeth Varin exited the Meeting. Kami Lipp and Tricia Keith entered the meeting.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Nehls to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal matters 1-25-2 (1) & (3) Legion hotel stay in Tea, SD, at 8:11pm. All members present certified letter for weeds, Arbor voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 8:50pm Moved by Wells and seconded by Nehls to adjourn the meeting at 8:50pm. All members present voted ave. Scott Hanlon, Mayor Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer Published September 20, 2023, at the total approximate cost of \$74.50 and may be viewed free of charge at www. sdpublicnotices.com. 22524

Plains Insurance Pool 15,610.47 The Standard, life insurance 219.55; Security Benefits, retirement 1.098.89; Optilegra, vision insurance 415.28; SD Retire-ment 11,423.48; SD Retirement Supplemental, 328.22. Total: \$125,814.95.

Bills approved: General Fund: Agtegra-fuel, 1,901.47; Amazon-supplies, 345.24; Arthurs, Crystal-education reimbursement, 150.01; CWD-FFVP, 894.47; Cengage Learning-workbooks, 335.50: Century Business Products-copier overage, 415.06; Cole Papers-custodial supplies, 1,908.88; DSG-water filters, 982.57; Dunhams-PE supplies, 139.96; FASD Imprest Fund-misc., 2,252.50; GDI News-publishing, 11.04; Innova-tive Office Solutions-supplies, 543.98; Kens Alignment-bus alignment, 141.95; Kosters, Christine-education reimbursement, 40.00; Kosters, Jeff-fuel, 46.85; KW Prints-band shirts, 51.00; MDU-utilities, 2,602.46; Menards-maintenance supplies, 16.99; Merchant Services-lunch processing fees, 38.28; Morlock, Marty-education reimbursement, 500.00: NFHS-first aid, health & safety courses, 70.00; NCSEC-1st half local share assessment,

The Farm to School Program was discussed. The board is committed to implementing the program into our Food Service Program. The goal is to provide 100% locally grown and processed beef in our school lunch program. Beef and monetary donations, as well as questions regarding the program can be

directed to Mrs. Severson. 2024-031 Motion by Sumption, second by Ellwein to adopt the 2023-2024 Budget and certify real tax levy request. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

General Fund: 1.320 mills per 1000 ag valuation, 2.954 mills per 1000 non-ag owner-occupied valuation, 6.113 mills per 1000 non-ag other/utilities valuation; Opt Out: \$150,000 (Perpetual), \$170,000 Total Opt Out: \$320,000: .686 mills per 1000 ag valuation, 1.535 mills per 1000 non-ag owner-occupied valuation, 3.177 mills per 1000 non-ag other/utilities valuation; Capital Outlay: \$627,800; Special Education: .680 mills per 1000 valuation.

to Shawn Gengerke Farms at \$252.10 per acre. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Nehls to approve Resolution 20232 to Lease City Property at Airport as follows: (all members present voted aye)

WHEREAS, a two-year cash rent lease agreement for 95 acres of farmland, more or less, will be presented to the city council on the 3rd day of October, 2023 asking that the city airport property be leased to the highest bidder, with this legal description, starting November 1, 2023 to October 31, 2025: That portion of the Southwest Quarter (SWI/4) of Section 19, Township 124, Range 60, Brown County, South Dakota being 95 acres more or less known as the Groton City Airport land, excluding all of the building site and landing strip with buffer zone (as described by the SD State Office of Aeronautics - no farming will be allowed directly north or south of runway for approach or along the sides of the runway) located thereon. WHEREAS, the city council received and opened sealed bids for two-year cash rent lease on the 19th day of September, 2023, at City Hall in Groton, South Dakota. NOW,

a motion by Wells and seconded by Babcock. All members present voted aye.

The minutes from the previ-

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

Payroll, \$31,202.21, Em-Payroll, \$31,202.21, Em-ployee salaries; Administra-tive, \$4,427.86, ; Public Works, \$13,950.76, ; Public Safety, \$9,762.90, ; Culture & Rec-reation, \$3,060.69, ; Landon Johnson, \$227.60, Meal/Mileage reimbursement - Trby electric aquipment tacting in Eargo equipment testing in Fargo, ND; SD Retirement System, \$10,131.14, Employee retire-ment; USPS, \$291.17, Utility billing postage; Pro Track and Tennis, Inc., \$35,510.00, Pickleball court - Final Payment; WEB Water, \$28,513.58, Water services - August 2023; City of Groton, \$471.78, Utility deposits applied to bills; Antenogenes Gutierrez, \$61.98, Utility deposit refund; Nancy & Jeff Thaler, \$208.51, Utility deposit refund; Blake Merkel, \$57.73, Utility deposit refund; Janice Fliehs, \$128.27, Utility overpayment/deposit refund; Chris & Tammy Khali, \$95.11, Utility overpayment/deposit

Dav Foundation membe ership fee, fuel, key ring transmitter for rubble site, pool samples, story time supplies - Multiple Depts.; OverDrive, Inc., \$200.00, Sept-Dec 2023 digital consortium fee - Library; Heartland Waste Management, \$10,223.95, Garbage hauling; Paul Kosel, \$142.59, Reimbursement for fuel used personal cc by accident Streets, employee cell phone reimbursement - July/August 2023; Grand Slam Computers, Inc., \$109.00, Nordic backup fee; James Valley Telecommunications, \$819.97, Telephone & internet services; MJ's Sinclair, Inc., \$1,889.27, Fuel purchases and oil filters; Geffdog Designs, LLC., \$59.00, Library banner; Irby, Inc., \$1,614.18, Electric equipment testing; Altec Capital Services, LLC., \$2,189.93, Digger truck lease; Groton Community Transit, \$472.00, Transportation to Lennox for Jr. Legion tournament; Seth Erickson, \$4,628.77, Mileage & lodging reimbursement - Legion tournament in Lennox, SD; Mileage reimbursement for 2023 Legion season; EcoLab Pest Elimination, \$112.36, Rubble site rodent con-

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Groton School Aug. 14, 2023 Meeting Minutes UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

GROTON AREA SCHOOL DIS-TRICT NO. 06-6

REGULAR MEETING August 14, 2023

President Gengerke called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the GHS Library Conference Room. Members present: Fliehs, Gengerke, Harder (7:03pm), Lerseth-Fliehs, Rix, and Weismantel. Absent: Pharis. Others present were Supt. J. Schwan, Principal B. Schwan, Principal Edwards, and Business Manager Hubsch

Moved by Rix, second Fliehs to approve the agenda with six amendments under New Business Items #10 approve open enrollment #24-18, #11 approve open enrollment #24-19, #12 approve hiring Chattarida Sukhmon, #13 approve new time for September 11, 2023, regular school board meeting, #14 approve Amy Warrington for long-term vocal music substitute and #15 approve hiring Anna Dagel as the Ag. And FFA advisor. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Weismantel, second Rix to approve the following consent agenda items as presented: District minutes of July 10, 2023; bills, financial report; custodial accounts, and investments; open enrollment #24-16 and #24-17. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND: Net Payroll -78,496.62; FIT - 8,047.12; Medicare - 2,898.14; Social Security 12,392.04; SD Retirement 9,774.92; AFLAC - 477.35; Delta Dental – 782.08; SD Supplemen-tal Retirement – 5,390.43; US Dept of Treasury - 252.04; Wellmark - 12,553.00; Standard Life 252.45; Wage Works - 208.33; Avesis – 44.94; Ace Refrigeration repairs, 397.80; Advanced Auto Parts – parts, 356.27; Amazon – supplies, 3,213.31; AmericInn BBB camp lodging, 4,106.79; Arrowwood Resort - conference lodging, 232.90; Boom Learning – subscription, 50.00; Jason Brunson – officiating, 97.20; Carson-Dellosa Publishing - supplies, 35.91; City of Groton utilities, 11,609.51; Cole Papers paper/janitor supply, 3,933.49;
 Custodial Fund – advanced payments, 41,787.56; Dacotah Bank – golf balls, 3,115.25; Dakota Electronics – batteries, 130.00; Dakota Supply - lights, 325.88; Dependable Sanitation garbage, 1,238.00; Eric Armin supplies, 354.21; Full Circle Ag – diesel, 3,750.59; Geffdog – VB camp shirts, 531.36; Kristen Gonsoir - CTE grant, 350.00; Good Shred – shredding, 32.00; Groton Chiropractic – DOT Physi-

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supplies, 183.95; Matchbox VB camp, 750.00; Matheson Tri-Gas – IA Supplies, 50.21; McLeod's – checkblanks, 213.09; Menards – paint, 359.96; Mil-bank – golf entry, 40.00; NASCO supplies, 967.58; NE Conference - dúes, 850.00; Northside Implement – parts/repairs, 4,457.09; Northwestern Energy – utilities, 1,018.68; Ryan Olson background check, 43.25; OTC Brands - supplies, 96.36; Pauer Sound – audio repairs, 864.97; Petty Cash – elementary change, 100.00; Really Good Stuff - supplies, 391.11; Matthew Rohrbach officiating, 90.40; Josh Rose officiating, 77.20; Scholastic - subscriptions, 3,366.91; Scholastic Testing Service – kdg supplies, 274.23; School Datebooks – planners, 1,557.30; School Nurse Supply – nurse supplies, 617.79; School Specialty - supplies, 6,384.43; Joe Schwan CTE Grant, 350.00; SDHSCA coaching fee, 80.00; Sioux
 Valley SD – golf, 40.00; Smith
 Autobody – repairs, 433.12; Jenna Strom – coaching fees, 83.20; Supreme School Supply – supplies, 175.93; Teacher Direct – supplies, 1,153.10; Time Management System - support, 210.20; Wyatt Turnquist – wrestling camp, 500.00; Wageworks admin fee, 92.00; Warner SD – consortium annual fee, 1,500.00. Total General Fund

\$252,286.99.

agreement, 1,665.71; Amazon - equipment/textbooks, 7,907.16; Boom - membership, 80.00; Brainpop - subscription, 3,524.63; Bright Solutions subscription, 364.95; Cole Papers - extractor, 3,872.08; Custodial Fund – advanced pay-ments, 30,643.16; Don Donley - summer work, 6,480.00; Eric Armin – calculators, 2,810.20; Generation Genius - subscription, 175.00; Gopher – equip-ment, 1,032.75; Hauff Mid America – equipment, 3,937.25; Huff Construction - construction project, 41,120.80; ISL Learning – subscription, 4,550.00; Junior Library Guild – library books, 1,612.22; Lakeshore – equip-ment, 771.48; Learning A-Z – licenses, 691.20; Marco - touch displays & wallmounts, 9,000.00; Matheson Tri-Gas - grinder, 275.00; NASCO - equipment, 867.72; NCS Pearson – renewals, 2,619,75; OTC Brands - equipment, 71.95; Renaissance - AR/ Star 260 renewal, 5,945.70; Savvas Learning – successmaker, 2,869.02; School Health Corp equipment, 135.76; School Nurse Supply – nurse equipment, 1,055.45; School Specialty – equipment, 1,532.80; Sports Imports - VB equipment, 4,606.80; Teacher Direct – equipment, 273.13; US Bank - registrars fee, 600.00. Total Capital Outlay \$141,091.67. SPECIAL ED: Net Payroll -

1,487.55; FIT - 365.55; Medicare - 62.24; Social Security -266.10; SD Retirement - 257.52; Amazon – supplies, 57.34; Avera St Lukes – PT/OT, 8,690.29; OTC Brands - supplies, 11.08; School Specialty - supplies, 748.08; Judy of Gene Williamson - mileage, 85.68. Total Special Ed \$12,031.43

ENTERPRISE: Net Payroll 2,068.17; FIT - 249.79; Medicare - 78.26; Social Security - 334.52; SD Retirement 346.78; AFLAC - 172.60; Wellmark – 733.00; Standard Life - 1.92; Avesis - 19.63; CAPITAL OUTLAY: A&B Brandon Clocksene – conference

expense, 160.98: Custodial Fund advanced payments, 18.45;
 Ramkota Hotel – conference lodging, 336.72; US Foods – mixer bowl, 722.59; Jan Weismantel - refund, 290.00. Total Enterprise - \$5,533.41.

OST & Driver's Ed: Net Pavroll - 10,239.78; FIT - 243.02; Medicare - 342.08; Social Security - 1,462.68; SD Retirement – 778.72; AFLAC – 163.93; Well-mark – 733.00; Standard Life - 23.28; Custodial Fund – advanced payments, 489.26; Ken's – OST snacks, 1,076.59. Total OST & Driver's Ed - \$15,552.34. CUSTODIAL FUND:

\$10.218.22 **RECEIPTS:** Local Sources. Taxes – 592,918.25; Local Sources, Other – 36,093.56; County Sources – 2,467.01; State Sources – 22,924.83; Fed-eral Sources – 7,009.36. Total Receipts - 661,413.01.

Members of the public are allowed five minutes to address the board on any topic of their choice. With no public members requesting to speak, the board proceeded with their agenda items.

Motion by Weismantel, second by Fliehs to review and adopt the FY2024 District Budget and authorize Business Manager to file tax requests with county auditors. Motion carried.

The following items were discussed in administrative reports: J. Schwan: back to school date. Wednesday, August 23, with an open house on Monday, August 21, 2023, from 4 pm-6 pm. Updates on the following projects: high school air conditioning, elementary roof, high-speed fiber, and health science lab. B. Schwan: reported elementary enrollment at 297 students JK-5th grade and welcomed three new elementary staff members, one student teacher, and one person shadowing for their principal internship. OST's last day of summer programming will be August 18, 2023; the open house for the elementary will also be August 21, 2023, from 4-6,

with PAC having a table set up. Online rostering for MAPS, IXL, Renaissance, Science, Reading, and Wright to Learn are being established. Edwards reported enrollment numbers of middle school at 125 and high school at 171 students, discussed attending the ASBSD joint convention on August 3-4, and will attend the SASD Leadership Academy beginning September 20. 6th grade will have a welcome walk on Monday, August 21, from 3:30-5:30 pm. B. Hubsch attended the CTE State Conference and presented the SynDaver model. The district's state annual report was submitted and approved on August 9, 2023, and shared the timeline for the Red Rover clocking system and upcoming events with benefits representatives and the SDASBO Conference.

Moved by Harder, second Weismantel to approve the bid for 1.0 acre of land in SW quarter of section 14 of Oak Gulch Township (former school site of Oak Gulch School District) to J. Paul Zimmerman, John F. Zimmerman, and Sarah J. Zimmerman represented by Danny Smeins, P.C. Motion carried.

Moved by Weismantel, second by Harder, to approve the amended North Central Special Education Cooperative Membership Agreement, Motion carried,

Moved by Harder, second by Rix, to approve volunteer girls soccer coaches Kaylin Kucker and Wyatt Locke. Motion carried.

Moved by Weismantel, second by Fliehs, to approve the resignation/retirement of Jan Hoffman. Motion carried.

Moved by Fliehs, second by Harder, to approve hiring Elizabeth Bahr as a Kindergarten Paraprofessional at \$14.74/hour. Motion carried.

Moved by Rix, second by Fliehs, to approve hiring Robert Moorlach as a bus driver for 0.5/daily rate of \$49.99. Motion carried

Moved by Fliehs, second by

Rix, to approve hiring Delbert Hinkelman as a bus driver for a full daily rate of \$99.99. Motion carried.

Moved by Fliehs, second by Weismantel, to approve academic lane change for Eric Swenson from MS to MS+15 to \$53,261.88. Motion carried.

Moved by Weismantel, second by Fliehs, to approve interdistrict transportation request pursuant to SDCL 13-29-4 with Webster Area School District and Langford Area School District. Motion carried.

Moved by Rix, second by Weismantel, to approve Open Enrollment #24-18. Motion carried.

Moved by Fliehs, second by Rix, to approve Open Enrollment #24-19. Motion carried.

Moved by Fliehs, second by Harder, to approve hiring Chattarida Sukhmon, Special Education Paraprofessional at \$14.74/ hour. Motion carried.

Moved by Rix, second by Weismantel, to amend the September 11, 2023 board meeting to a start time of 6 pm. Motion carried.

Moved by Weismantel, second by Harder, to approve hiring Amy Warrington, Long-Term Vocal Music Substitute for the 2023-24 school year with long-term substitute pay starting with her first contractual day. Motion carried.

Moved by Harder, second by Weismantel, to approve Anna Dangel, Ag Teacher/FFA advisor for the 2023-204 school year at \$59.333.33. Motion carried.

Moved by Harder second Rix to adjourn at 7:39 pm. Motion carried.

Becky Hubsch, Business Manager

Deborah Gengerke, President The addition of signatures to this page verifies these minutes as official.

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MONTHLY DISTRICT FINANCIAL REPORT FOR GROTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT 06-6 For the reporting period beginning July 1, 2023, and ending July 31, 2023 General Assigned Capital Special Bond Ent

General	Assigned	Capital	Special	Bond	Enterprise	Custodial	Total for
Description Fund	Gen Funds	Outlay	Education	Redemption	Fund	Fund	District
1. Beginning Balance 1,282,699.28	145,460.40	970,442.38	390,731.69	0.00	191,361.06	148,796.93	3,129,491.74
a. checking 1,282,699.28	145,460.40	970,442.38	390,731.69	0.00	191,361.06	148,796.93	3,129,491.74
b. petty cash0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
		2. Transfers	; in				
3. Revenue to date 621,740.73	0.00	7,081.09	3,362.30	10.91	10,291.68	18,926.30	661,413.01
4. Total accounted for 1,904,440.01	145,460.40	977,523.47	394,093.99	10.91	201,652.74	167,723.23	3,790,904.75
		5. Transfers	out				
6. Expenditures to date 293,333.66	0.00	271,256.18	6,245.14	0.00	19,085.18	119,684.35	709,604.51
a. encumbrances0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
b. disbursements 293,333.66	0.00	271,256.18	6,245.14	0.00	19,085.18	119,684.35	709,604.51
7. Ending Balance 1,611,106.35	145,460.40	706,267.29	387,848.85	10.91	182,567.56	48,038.88	3,081,300.24
a. checking 1,611,106.35	145,460.40	706,267.29	387,848.85	10.91	182,567.56	48,038.88	3,081,300.24
b. petty cash0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
July Receipts 621,740.73	0.00	7,081.09	3,362.30	10.91	10,291.68	18,926.30	661,413.01
July Expenses 293,333.66		271,256.18	6,245.14	0.00	19,085.18	119,684.35	709,604.51
Custodial Checking 48,038.88							
District Checking 3 049 247 11							

USDA Supply Chain Defer (15,985.75)

Total all Funds 3,081,300.24 cals, 400.00; Groton Daily In- Business - managed print dependent – printing, 698.31; Beth Gustafson – CTE Grant, 700.00; Chelsea Hanson – camp/ travel reimb, 323.06; Hauff Mid-America – GBB/VB supplies, 2,540.90; Lance Hawkins Coaching Courses, 35.00; Hillyard – janitor supply, 2,806.06; Randy Hjermstad – DOT Physical, 100.00; Brittany Hubbart – CTE Grant, 1,225.00; Rebecca Hubsch – CTE Grant, 1,669.11; Hudl – VB Assist, 800.00; Jones School Supply – honor roll cer-tificates, 130.00; Travis Kurth – CTE Grant, 525.00; Laerdal – CTE Grant, 5,745.00; Lakeshore



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September Students of the Month From Back Left Gretchen Dinger (11th), Anna Fjeldheim (12th), Teagan Hanten (9th), Elizabeth Cole (8th) From Front Left: Wesley Borg (7th), Jayden Schwan (10th), Amelia Ewalt (6th).

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Groton School Sept. 11, 2023

Meeting Minutes UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

GROTON AREA SCHOOL DIS-TRICT NO. 06-6

REGULAR MEETING

September 11, 2023

President Gengerke called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the GHS Library Conference Room. Members present: Gengerke, Harder, Lerseth-Fliehs, Pharis, Rix, and Weismantel. Absent: Fliehs. Others present were Supt. J. Schwan. Principal B. Schwan, Principal Edwards, and Business Manager Hubsch

Moved by Weismantel, second Pharis to approve the agenda as written. Motion carried

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

Moved by Pharis, second Harder to approve the following consent agenda items as presented: District minutes of August 14, 2023; bills, financial report; custodial accounts, and investments; open enrollment #24-20. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND: Net Payroll - 71,329.44; FIT – 6,689.24; Medicare – 2,666.16; Social Security - 11,400.10; SD Retirement - 10,425.94; Fiduciary Trust – 125.00;AFLAC –548.49; Delta Dental – 924.10; SD Supplemental Retirement -1,087.65; US Dept of Treasury 252.04; Wellmark – 12,380.10; Standard Life – 256.29; Wage Works – 208.33; Avesis – 55.43; Aberdeen Catholic School marching entry, 40.00; Aberdeen Lawn Care - fert/weeds, 675.00; Allied Climate Professionals - maintenance, 1,566.33; Amazon – supplies, 310.04; Band Shoppe – marching band shoes, 51.90; Brown County Treasurer – mosquito control, 187.52; Building Sprinkler maintenance, 665.00; Capital One – supplies, 77.24; Cole Papers - janitor supply, 395.12; Custodial Fund – advanced pay ments, 11,009.19; Dependable Sanitation – garbage, 1,238.00;

MONTHLY DISTRICT FINANCIAL REPORT FOR GROTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT 06-6

For the repo	rting period be	ginning July 1, 2	:023, and endi	ng August 31,	2023		
General	Assigned	Capital	Special	Bond	Enterprise	Custodial	Total for
Description Fund	Gen Funds	Outlay	Education	Redemption	Fund	Fund	District
1. Beginning Balance 1,298,374.03	145,460.40	970,442.38	390,731.69	0.00	191,672.06	148,796.93	3,145,477.49
a. checking 1,298,374.03	145,460.40	970,442.38	390,731.69	0.00	191,672.06	148,796.93	3,145,477.49
b. petty cash0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
. ,		2. Transfers	in				
3. Revenue to date 839,733.83	3,120.00	232,436.26	4,899.98	10.91	48,697.17	100,205.93	1,229,104.08
4. Total accounted for 2,138,107.86	148,580.40	1,202,878.64	395,631.67	10.91	240,369.23	249,002.86	4,374,581.57
	•	5. Transfers	out			•	
6. Expenditures to date 532,449.40	0.00	412,347.85	19,358.35	0.00	43,850.72	119,684.35	1,127,690.67
a. encumbrances0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
b. disbursements 532,449.40	1,250.00	412,347.85	19,358.35	0.00	43,850.72	59,660.10	1,068,916.42
7. Ending Balance 1,605,658.46	148,580.40	790,530.79	376,273.32	10.91	196,518.51	129,318.51	3,246,890.90
a. checking 1,605,658.46	148,580.40	790,530.79	376,273.32	10.91	196,518.51	129,318.51	3,246,890.90
b. petty cash0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
August Receipts 225,347.11	3,120.00	225,355.17	1,537.68	0.00	38,417.99	81,279.63	575,057.58
August Expenses 237,865.74	1,250.00	141,091.67	13,113.21	0.00	24,765.54	29,830.05	447,916.21
Custodial Checking 48,813.97	,	,	,		,		,
District Checking							
USDA Supply Chain Defer (14,172.19)							
Total all Funds							

Dollar General – supplies, 81.17; East River Plumbing - repairs, 759.05; EMC Insurance - van addition, 575.00; Groton Chiro-practic – DOT Physical, 100.00; Dairy Queen – Gift Certs, 224.00; Hauff Mid-America – BBB supplies, 1,543.95; Hillyard - supply, 1,991.42; Houghton Mifflin – workbooks, 2,645.00; House of Glass – repairs, 351.72; Hudl – subscription, 1,647.00; JW Pep-per – music, 797.29; Jeff's District & Drain – plumbing repair, 204.00; Ken's - BB fundraiser, 242.11; McLeod's - checkblanks, 174.09: Menards – supplies. 314.02; Mid-American Research Chemical - supply, 2,043.50; MJ's Sinclair – fuel, 840.71; Nardini – maintenance, 631.00; North Central Special Education Coop - services, 6,000.00; Northside Implement - repairs, 3,208.62; Northwestern Energy utilities, 866.83; Otis Eleva tor - elevator contract, 100.00; Prorate Services – DOT testing, 375.00; RDO Equipment – parts, 328.31; S&S Lumber – supplies, 5,486.26; SASD - registration fees/dues, 671.00; School Specialty – supplies, 7,752.78; Sheyenne Transport – soccer charter, 2,250.00; Teacher Di-rect – supplies, 110.44; Training Room – athletic supply, 126.57. Total General Fund

\$177,004.49. CAPITAL OUTLAY: A&B

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SPECIAL ED: Net Payroll 2,523.74; FIT - 151.26; Medicare – 89.84; Social Security 384.16: SD Retirement - 371.74: NCS Pearson - supplies, 216.90; North Central Special Education Coop - services, 35,097.92; Judy or Gene Williamson – mileage, 299.88. Total Special Ed \$39,135.44.

ENTERPRISE: Net Payroll – 2,017.92; FIT – 300.04; Medicare – 78.24; Social Security – 334.52; SD Retirement – 346.80; AFLAC – 172.60; Wellmark – 733.00; Standard Life – 1.92; Avesis – 19.63; Ace Refrigeration - repairs, 1,109.76; CWD – food, 1,989.89; East Side Jersey Dairy – milk, 535.63; Groton Area – activity ticket transfer, 64.85; Meathouse - local burger, 902.00; Performance

Foodservices - food, 6.366.46; US Foods - food, 2,097.42. Total Enterprise - \$17,070.68.

OST & Driver's Ed: Net Pay roll – 13,100.55; FIT – 544.4Ó; Medicare – 445.88: Social Security - 1,906.58; SD Retirement -1010.88; AFLAC – 163.93; Well-mark – 733.00; SD Supplemental Retirement - 27.78; Standard Life – 23.28; Dollar General -OST Supply, 36.64. Total OST & Driver's Ed - \$17,992.92.

CUSTODIAL FUND: 11,272.39. RECEIPTS: Local Sources, Taxes - 9,177.23; Local Sources, Other – 308,736.92; Coun-ty Sources – 3,054.53; State Sources – 254,088.90; Federal Sources – 0.00. Total Receipts 575,057.58.

Members of the public are allowed five minutes to address the board on any topic of their choice. With no public members requesting to speak, the board proceeded with their agenda items.

Program overview presentations were presented to the board by 2nd-grade teachers A. Zoellner and E. Dinger and 3rd-grade teachers M. Smith and H. Rowen.

The board continued discussion concerning Langford School District's request for athletics cooperative with no action being taken.

26-28.

Moved by Weismantel, second by Pharis, to approve the changes made to the District's COVID-19 Learn On Plan. Motion carried.

The following items were discussed in administrative reports: J. Schwan reported on the Groton Area School Foundation, which was started by a group of patrons. Arena scoreboard upgrades will be happening in the fall to include stat panels to be added. Funds will be donated by Zuntafi and Dacotah Bank. J. Schwan attended the NE Area Superintendent's meeting in Watertown, will attend SASD Artificial Intelligence Workshop in Aberdeen, and will be attending the DOE accountability roadshow in Watertown on September 19. B Schwan: reported elementary enrollment at 298 students, addressed homecoming activities, and upcoming training of SASD AI workshop and the DOE accountability Roadshow with J. Schwan, Edwards reported enrollment numbers of middle school at 124 and high school at 172 students, discussed homecoming activities, replacing ICU with Homework Academy, and will attend the SASD Leadership Academy on September B. Hubsch will be attending SDASBO Conference September

The board discussed the timeline for the general fund opt-out discussion with no action being taken.

Moved by Weismantel, second by Harder, to approve Chantel Duerre from BS to BS +15(+\$900). Motion carried.

Moved by Pharis, second by Rix, to approve hiring Robin Bitz, MS/HS SPED Paraprofessional. \$14.74/hour. Motion carried.

The board appointed Mary Weismantel as the board delegate at the 2023 ASBSD Delegate Assembly on Friday, November 17.

Moved by Rix, second by Pharis, to deposit revenue from the sale of Oak Gulch School land to the District General Fund pursuant to SDCL 6-13-8. Motion carried.

Moved by Lerseth-Fliehs, second Weismantel to adjourn at 6:50 pm. Motion carried.

Becky Hubsch, Business Manager

Deborah Gengerke, President The addition of signatures to this page verifies these minutes as official.

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Groton City Airport Land Lease Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. 20232

WHEREAS, a two-year cash rent lease agreement for 95 acres of farmland, more or less, will be presented to the city council on the 3rd day of October, 2023 asking that the city airport property be leased to the highest bidder, with this legal description, starting November 1, 2023 to October 31, 2025:

That portion of the Southwest Quarter (SWI/4) of Section 19 Township 124, Range 60, Brown County, South Dakota being 95 acres more or less known as the Groton City Airport land, excluding all of the building site and landing strip with buffer zone (as described by the SD State Office of Aeronautics - no farming will be allowed directly north or south of runway for approach or along the sides of the runway) located thereon.

WHEREAS, the city council received and opened sealed bids for two-year cash rent lease on the 19th day of September, 2023, at City Hall in Groton, South Dakota.

NOW. THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by unanimous vote of the city council of the City of Groton, Brown County, South Dakota, that the above foregoing resolution describing the above foregoing city property be hereby leased to the highest bidder with said lease to be approved at the October 3rd, 2023 council meeting.

Passed this 19th day of September, 2023

Published this 20th day of September, 2023. Scott Hanlon, Mayor

ATTEST:

Douglas J. Heinrich, Finance Officer

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Groton Independent \diamond Wed., Sept. 20, 2023 \diamond 7

Football: Deuel 24, Groton Area 6

Groton Area Tigers

Rushing: 19 carries for 9 yards Keegan Tracy 4-10 Christian Ehresmann 2-6 Teylor Diegel 2-12 Korbin Kucker 10-9 Lane Tietz 1-(-10) **Passing:** Lane Tietz completed 17 of 26 for 143 yards, 1 TD, In interception **Receivers:** Keegen Tracy 5-69 Teylor Diegel 4-33 Christian Ehresmann 4-31 Korbin Kucker 4-31

Fumbles: Had 1, lost 0 **Penalties:** 3 for 15 yards

Defensive Leaders

Christian Ehresmann 14 tackles, 1 sack Brevin Fliehs 8 tackles Logan Ringgenberg 7 tackles, 1 sack Lane Tietz 1 interception

Record: 3-2 (NEC: 3-2) **Next Game:** Friday at Webster

Scoring:

First Quarter

Clark/Willow Lake Cyclones

Rushing: 28 carries for 46 yards Trey Maaland 22-215, 2 TD Gavin Kloos 9-27 Owen Haas 1-3 Oliver Fieben 1-0

Passing:

Trey Maaland completed 6 of 15 for 157 yards, 1 TD, 1 Inter. **Receivers:** Oliver Fieben 1-87, 1 TD Gabe Sather 2-45 Dexter Unzen 2-17 Gavin Maaland 1-8

Fumbles: Had 0, lost 0 **Penalties:** 12 for 120 yards

Defensive Leaders

Trey Maaland Kaden TeKrony Reed VanWormer Oliver Fieben 1 interception

Record: 5-0 (NEC: 4-0) **Next Game:** at Dakota Hills

Deuel spoils GHS Homecoming

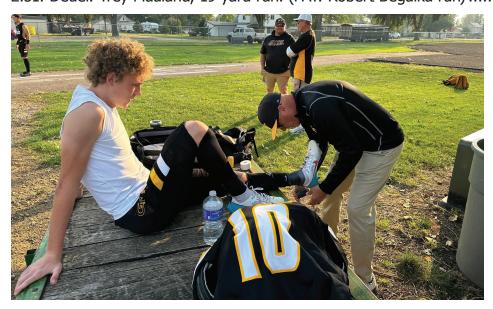
Groton Area's homecoming was spoiled by the undefeated Deuel Cardinal Friday at Doney Field, 24-6. The Tigers had a golden opportunity to score on the first drive with the ball inside the 10 yard line, but the were unable to break through the endzone.

Deuel scored one touchdown in each the first, second and third quarter and added a safety on a Tiger miscue in the first quarter. Groton Area would score in the third quarter on an eight yard pass play from Lane Tietz to Christian Ehresmann.

The Tigers had nine yards rushing and 143 yards passing with Keegen Tracy catching the ball for 69 yards. The Cardinals had 46 yards rushing and 157 yards passing with Oliver Fieben having 87 yards receiving.

Defensively, Ehresmann had 14 tackles and a sack to lead the Tigers. Each team had an interception. Deuel was penalized 12 times for 120 yards.

The game was broadcast live on GDILIVE. COM with Mike Nehls doing the play-by-play and Jeslyn Kosel running the camera. The sponsors of the game were Bary Keith at Harr Motors, BK Custom Ts & More, Bierman Farm Service, Blocker Construction, Dacotah Bank, Full Circle Ag, Groton Ag Partners, Groton Chamber, Groton Dairy Queen, Groton Ford, Harry Implement, John Sieh Agency, Krueger Brothers, Locke Electric and Rix Farms/R&M Farms.



Coach Shaun Wanner has taped up his share of ankles over his 37 years of coaching. Here he is taping up Teylor Diegel's ankle prior to the Deuel football game. (Photo by Paul Kosel)

Fliehs leads Groton Area to first place at Tiospa Zina Golf Tourney

Brevin Fliehs took first place at the Tiospa Zina Golf Tournament held Thursday at the Dakota Magic Golf. He shot a 72 while Logan Pearson was 4th with an 83, Carter Simon was fifth with an 85 and Jace Johnson was sixth with an 85. Groton Area had 324 points for the first place finish.





Keegen Tracy (Photo by Paul Kosel)





Runners take part at Roncalli Invite

The Aberdeen Roncalli invitational cross country meet was held Thursday at Lee Park. Gavin Kroll ran the boys varsity 5K race in 22:39.51 for 40th place. Jayden Schwan was 48th with a 23:38.19; Nathan Unzen was 58th with a 25:26.60; Kason Oswald was 62nd with a 32:28.69 and Logan Clocksene was 63rd with a 37:22.80.

In the girls varsity 5K race, Sydney Holmes was 33rd with a 26:48.92 and Emily Clark was 39th with a 32:20.78.

Fliehs takes third at Redfield Golf Invitational

Brevin Fliehs took third place at the Redfield Invitational Golf Meet held Tuesday. He shot an 80, just one stroke behind the winners of Finn Anderson of Aberdeen Roncalli and Brody Torgerson of Watertown with scores of 79.

Logan Pearson shot an 83 for 13th place, Carter Simon an 84 for 17th place, Jace Johnson a 93 for 30th place, Jayden Schwan a 96 for 32nd place and Jarrett Erdmann a 111 for 44th place.

Watertown won the team title with 324 points followed by Sioux Valley with 330, Aberdeen Roncalli with 337, Milbank with 338, Groton Area 340, Redfield 365, Aberdeen Central 397 and Sisseton 416.

And a little Tiger Rowan Hanson) will lead them! (Photo by Paul Kosel)

(Photo by Paul Kosel)

Groton girls soccer team tie with S.F. Christian The following is a corrected version of the soccer game.

Groton Area and Sioux Falls Christian battled to a 1-1 tie in girls soccer action Saturday in Sioux Falls. Sioux Falls Christian scored first early in the second half. The Tigers scored later in the game on a free kick (foul) from Sioux Falls Christian. Jerrica Locke had an assist. Laila Roberts scored the goal. Jayden Penning had eight saves. The next soccer game is Sept. 23 at Tea Area. Tea Area and Groton Area are number one and two respectfully in the power points.

Tiger Volleyball team takes second at Hamlin Tournament

Groton Area's volleyball team went 7-2 on the day in sets at the Hamlin Tournament held Saturday. The Tigers won three matches to advance to the championship match against Florence-Henry. The Falcons pulled out a 2-1 win over the Tigers in close sets.

Coach Chelsea Hanson said, "Overall, it was a successful day. We went 3-1. We played aggressive and with a lot of energy early in the day, but we ran out of gas at the end. I couldn't be happier with our team's performance. We played some really good teams here at Hamlin and we showed that we can play with the good teams. Some of the teams we beat may well be in the State B Tournament."

Groton Area defeated Tiospa Zina in the first match, 25-13 and 25-15. The Tigers had a 14-point rally late in the first set.

Sydney Leicht had eight kills and nine ace serves, Rylee Dunker had seven kills and one block, Chesney Weber had five kills and two ace serves, Elizabeth Fliehs and three kills and one ace serve, Anna Fjeldheim had two kills and one ace serve, Carly Guthmiller had two ace serves and Jerica Locke had one ace serve.

The netters then took on Castlewood and won, 2-0. The first set was tied five times before the Tigers pulled away for the 25-21 win. The second set became more challenging towards the middle. The Warriors took control early with a 6-2 lead, but the Tigers chipped away, tying the set at 13. Thereafter, the set was tied 10 times and there were five lead changes before Groton Area won in extra points, 29-27.

Three players scored eight points with Anna Fjeldheim and Elizabeth Fliehs each having six kills and two blocks, Sydney Leicht had seven kills and an ace serve, Chesney Weber had three kills and two ace serves, Rylee Dunker and five kills, Faith Traphagen had two kills and one block, Jerica Locke had two ace serves and Carly Guthmiller had one ace serve.

The third match of the day featured a battle with the Colman-Egan Hawks where Groton came out on top, 2-0. The Tigers had a 10 point run in the first set en route to a 25-16 win. The second set was tied nine times and the lead changed hands five times before Anna Fjeldheim had the game winning kill for the 25-23 win. Rylee Dunker had 10 kills, Sydney Leicht had eight kills and two ace serves, Anna Fjeldheim had four kills, Chesney Weber had two kills and two ace serves, Faith Traphagen had two kills and Jerica Locke had one ace serve.

That set up the championship match with Florence-Henry where the Falcons won, 2-1. In the first set, Groton Area had nine-point rally to take a 23-10 lead en route to a 25-13 win. Florence-Henry got the upper hand early in the second set and went on for the 25-19 win. The Falcons flew ahead early in the third set, but Groton Area rallied to tie the set at 21 and took the lead, 23-21. Florence-Henry would score the last two points for the 25-23 winAnna Fjeldheim had 12 kills, Rylee Dunker had nine kills and two assisted blocks, Chesney Weber had seven kills, two ace serves and a block, Carly Guthmiller had seven ace serves, Elizabeth Fliehs had three kills, two assisted blocks and an ace serve, Emma Kutter and Jerica Locke each had two kills, Sydney Leicht had a kill and an ace serve and Laila Roberts and Faith Traphagen each had a kill.

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Groton Area volleyball team nets win over Clark-Willow Lake

After getting off to a slow start, the Groton Area Tiger volleyball team put things into high gear and cruised to a 3-1 win over Clark-Willow Lake.

The first set was tied 11 times with four lead changes as the Cyclones pulled out a 25-21 win.

The second set was tied four times and there was just one lead change and that came when the Tigers took the lead for good at 12-11 en route to a 24-21 win. Groton Area won the third set, 25-17, and the fourth set, 25-12.

Anna Fjeldheim and Chesney Weber each had 13 kills and six ace serves with Fjeldheim also having 20 digs, Jaedyn Penning had 10 kills, Rylee Dunker had nine kills and a block, Sydney Leicht had two kills and three ace serves, Carly Guthmiller had three ace serves and 18 digs, Elizabeth Fliehs and two kills and 15 digs and Jerica Locke had two ace serves. The match was broadcast live on GDILIVE.COM with Ryan Tracy doing the play-by-play. The broadcast was sponsored by Bary Keith at Harr Motors, BK Custom Ts & More, Bierman Farm Service, Blocker Construction, Dacotah Bank, Full Circle Ag, Groton Ag Partners, Groton Chamber, Groton Ford, Harry Implement, John Sieh Agency and Locke Electric. The junior varsity team has not lost a set this season as the Tigers defeated Clark/Willow Lake, 25-18 and 25-21. Emma Kutter had eight kills and one ace serve, Talli Wright had seven kills and one block, Chesney Weber had five kills and five ace serves, Emerlee Jones had one kill, Kella Tracy had two kills and Sydney Locke had one ace serve. That match was broadcast live on GDILIVE.COM with Ryan Tracy doing the play-by-play. It was sponsored by the Groton Chiropractic Clinic. Groton Area made it a clean sweep with a 26-16 and 25-21 win in the C match. Emerlee Jones had six kills and one ace serve, Hannah Sandness had seven ace serves, Liby Althoff had four kills, an ace serve and a block, McKenna Tietz and Taryn Traphagen each had five kills, Avery Crank had four ace serves, Brenna Imrie and Ashlynn Warrington each had an ace serve and Teagan Hanten had a kill. The match was broadcast live on GDIVLIVE.COM, sponsored by fans of Emerlee Jones.



Harry, Tewksbury medal at the Groton JV/JH Golf Meet

Groton Area hosted its junior varsity/junior high golf tournament on Monday at the Olive Grove Golf Course. Pictured are Keegan Harry with a fourth place medal, Treyton Smith, and Jacob Tewksbury with his sixth place medal. (Photo courtesy Joel Guthmiller)

Warner has clean sweep over Groton

Groton's volleyball teams suffered a three match loss to Warner in action played Tuesday in Warner.

The Monarchs won the varsity match, 25-12, 25-17 and 25-12.

Anna Fjeldheim led the Tigers with nine kills and one ace serve, Sydney Leicht and Cheseny Weber each had two kills and an ace serve, Faith Traphagen had a kill and a block, Rylee Dunker had two kills and Jaedyn Penning had a kill.

Lauren Marcuson led the Monarchs with 16 kills and three ace serves and her sister, Kyra Marcuson, added nine kills. Kyleigh Schopp had 10 kills and one ace serve, MaKenna Leidholt had eight kills and one block, Ava Nilsson had two kills and one ace serve, Sophia Hoeft and Nevaeh Lesnar each had two kills and Libby Scepaniak added one ace serve.

The match was broadcast live on GDILIVE.COM, sponsored by Bary Keith at Harr Motors, BK Custom Ts & More, Bierman Farm Service, Blocker Construction, Dacotah Bank, Full Circle Ag, Groton Ag Partners, Groton Chamber, Groton Dairy Queen, Groton Ford, John Sieh Agency, Krueger Brothers and Locke Electric. Ryan Tracy and Aspen Johnson provided play by play commentary.

The Monarchs handed the junior varsity team its first loss of the season, 2-1. Groton Area won the first set, 25-13, then dropped the next two by scores of 25-13 and 15-9. Talli Wright had three kills, two ace serves and one block, Sydney Locke had three ace serves, Jaedyn Penning three kills, Emerlee Jones two kills, Emma Kutter one kill and one block, Kella Tracy one kill, one block and one ace serve, and Jerica Locke one ace serve.

The match was broadcast live on GDILIVE.COM, sponsored by Gordon and Dorene Nelson. Ryan Tracy provided the play-by-play with comments from Coach Chelsea Hanson during the first set.

Warner won the C match, 25-19, 25-10 and 25-23. Emerlee Jones led the Tigers with 11 kills and one ace serve, McKenna Tietz had six kills, Taryn Traphagen had four kills and one ace serve, Liby Althoff had three kills and one ace serve, Leah Jones had three kills, Avery Crank had a kill and an ace serve, and Brenna Imrie and Hannah Sandness each had an ace serve.

The match was broadcast live on GDILIVE.COM, sponsored by the White House Inn.

Holmes placed third at Deuel JV Race

Sydney Holmes took third place in the girls junior varsity cross country meet held Clear Lake on Monday. She rank the 3K race in 13:41.53. Emily Clark finished 28th with a time of 17:54.06. In the boys junior varsity race, Kason Oswald was 29th with a time of 16:10.51 and Logan Clocksene was 31st with a time of 20:09.04. Jayden Schwan finished 38th in the boys varsity 5K race with a time of 21:40.43. Gavin Kroll was 44th with a time of 22:28.80. Nathan Unzen was 47th with a time of 23:03.90. Ryelle Gilbert finished eighth in the girls 5K race with a time of 21:36.62.

Girls soccer team at number two

The Groton Area soccer team remains at the number two spot in the state according to the SDHSAA seeding. Groton Area and Tea Area will battle it out in Tea on Saturday in a game that will be broadcast live on GDILIVE.COM.

Boys Soccer standings

The Groton Area boys soccer team will be hosting James Valley Christian on Thursday in an effort to avenge an earlier loss to the Vikings.

The Boys Soccer Game with Dakota Valley scheduled on Saturday, September 30th has been rescheduled to Monday, September 25th at 4pm.

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Pajama Day

In back, left to right, are Trinity Dallaire, eighth grade; Ben Hoeft, sophomore; Asher Johnson, seventh grade; Avery Crank, freshman; Claire Schuelke, freshman; Chesney Weber, eighth grade; Ethan Kroll, eighth grade; and Christian Ehresmann, junior; in front, left to right, are Liam Lord, sixth grade; Trey Tietz, sixth grade; Jameson Penning, sixth grade; Treyton Smith, eighth grade; Owen Sperry, eighth grade; not pictured is eighth grader Kason Oswad and seniors Bradin Althoff and Dillon Abeln. (Photo by Jeslyn Kosel)



Flag football at halftime of the Deuel varsity game Friday night. (Photo by Leah Ronning)



High School Nursing Home Day Jacob Tewksbury behind Tristan McGannon, sophomores; Addison Hoffman, freshman; Teagen Hanten, freshman; Faith Fliehs, senior; Camryn Kurtz, senior; and Emma Kutter, junior; not pictured are seniors Karsyn Jangula and Anna Bisbee. (Photo by Jeslyn Kosel)



Junior High Nursing Home

Left to right are Gavin Hanten, sixth grade; Jameson Penning, sixth grade; Shaydon Wood, eighth grade; Kinsleigh Furman, sixth grade; Chloe Witchy, sixth grade; Rylie Rose, eight grade; not pictured is Wesley Borg, seventh grade. (Photo by Jeslyn Kosel)



Camo vs. Pink Day In back, left to right, are Christian Ehresmann, junior, Gavin

Englund, sophomore; Drake Peterson, sophomore; Axel Abeln, sixth grade; Layne Johnson, eighth grade; Mya Feser, eighth grade; Abby Fjeldheim, sixth grade; and McKenna Tietz, freshman; in front, left to right, are Addison Hoffman, freshman; Liam Johnson, sixth grade; Keegan Kucker, sixth grade and Sam Crank, seventh grade; and senior Anna Bisbee. (Photo by Jeslyn Kosel)



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