

# 2024 Notices



January 2, 2024

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at 120 N Main Street for their first monthly meeting with the following members present: Wells, Babcock, Cutler, Wambach, and President Bahr presiding. Also present were Attorney Drew Johnson, Finance Officer Douglas Heinrich, Terry Herron, Dwight Zerr, Todd Gay, Elizabeth Varin, Kasey Kurtz, and Brianna Haugen.

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Wells to approve the agenda with no changes or additions. All members present voted aye.

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

Department reports were reviewed and discussed.

Herron, Zerr, and Gay exited the meeting.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Cutler to approve the employee salaries and volunteer list. All members present voted aye. Pursuant to SDCL 6-1-10, the list of employee salaries and volunteers is as follows: Scott Hanlon - \$625/month, \$125/special meeting, \$300/full-day meeting, \$100/half-day meeting. Board of Equalization - \$200/year. Council Members: Brian Bahr, Karyn Babcock, Shirley Wells, Jon Cutler, Kevin Nehls, and Jason Wambach - \$3,000/year, \$125/special meeting, \$300/full-day meeting, \$100/half-day meeting. Planning and Zoning Commission - \$35/meeting, \$70/special meeting. Finance Officer, Douglas Heinrich - \$27.79/hour. Deputy Finance Officer, April Abeln - \$28.98/hour. Assistant Finance Officer, Kellie Locke - \$23.97/hour. Public Works Coordinator, Street/Water Superintendent, Terry Herron - \$37.02/hour. Wastewater Superintendent, Dwight Zerr - \$33.09/hour. Assistant Street Superintendent, Branden Abeln - \$30.75/hour. Technology Specialist, Paul Kosel - \$32.38/hour. Electric Superintendent, Todd Gay - \$57.09/hour. Electric Lineman, Landon Johnson - \$42.03/hour. Police Chief, Stacy Mayou - \$36.30/hour. Police Officer and Assistant Chief, Justin Cleveland - \$33.05/hour. Police Officer Level 1, Thomas Strickland - \$30.89/hour. Police Officer Level 2, Benjamin Smith - \$30.16/hour. A complete list of volunteers will be kept at City Hall.

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Wambach to approve the 2024 fee schedule. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Cutler to approve the municipal election date as April 9, 2024. All members present voted aye. The following individuals have terms ending: Kevin Nehls – Ward 1, Jon Cutler – Ward 1, Brian Bahr – Ward 2, and Jason Wambach – Ward 3.

Discussion took place regarding the housing study.

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved on a motion by Cutler and seconded by Wells. All members present voted aye.

Kurtz and Haugen exited the meeting.

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

Payroll, \$11,340.74, Employee salaries; Executive, \$556.15, ; Public Safety, \$10,784.59, ; SD Supplemental Retirement, \$290.00, Supplemental retirement; Dacotah Bank, \$3,914.78, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$50.00, HSA contributions; Aflac, \$336.62, Employee insurance; Colonial Life, \$69.40, Employee insurance; Employer's Mutual Insurance, \$82.70, Employee insurance; Todd & Kara Anderson, \$555.91, Refund of curb and gutter overpayment; Groton Daily Independent, \$53.25, Annual subscription fee; Aberdeen Property Management, \$550.00, Family crisis payment toward security deposit; City of Groton, \$50.00, Family crisis utility payment; J's Superior Cleaning, \$120.00, Commercial cleaning services - December 2023; RDO Equipment Co., \$14.97, Filler cap and gasket - Streets; Harry Implement, Inc., \$72.04, Hoses and fittings for loader - Streets; Irby, Inc., \$1,174.30, Line clamps, electrical tape, lock and keys, parallel connectors - Electric Dept.; Dakota Supply Group, \$209.66, Electrical tape - Electric Dept.; Community Partners Research Inc., \$3,750.00, Services rendered for Groton Housing Study (local share); Apptegy, Inc., \$10,400.00, Annual fee and initial startup costs for

new website; JGE, \$812.16, Replacement of electrical harness and couplers on snowblower & edge broom - Streets; Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc., \$139.98, HP and acetylene cylinder leases - City Shop; SD DANR, \$1,500.00, Annual discharge permit; Glenn Bitz, \$150.00, Window cleaning - City Hall; Dwight Zerr, \$512.42, Reimbursement for service on city main at 302 N 1st Street; Thomas Strickland, \$113.56, Mileage/meal reimbursement - DV training in Watertown, SD on 12/14/23; Justin Cleveland, \$14.00, Meal reimbursement - DV training in Watertown, SD on 12/14/23; Avera Occupational Medicine, \$95.00, Drug screening costs; Verizon Wireless, \$40.01, Wireless router - Rubble Site; NW Energy, \$12.35, Natural gas service - PD; Groton Daily Independent, \$203.18, Publishing fees; Drew Johnson, \$1,475.00, Legal services - December 2023; SD Department of Health, \$331.00, Water/wastewater testing; Fire Safety First, LLC, \$54.77, First aid supplies - City Shop; Equipment Blades Inc., \$742.20, Blades for streets; Northeast Council of Governments, \$1,748.45, 2024 dues; Dollar General, \$94.35, Paper plates, nose tissues, Tour of Trees supplies, drinking water - Multiple Depts.; S&S Lumber Company, \$5,464.43, Hoop barn door supplies, saw, air chuck, quick coupler, ratchet straps, ice scraper, casters, work gloves, 8' shop cord, broom - Multiple Depts.

Applications for Baseball Coordinator, Softball Coordinator, Legion Coach, Jr. Legion Coach, Jr. Teen-er Coach, Girls' Softball Coaches, Day Baseball/Softball Coach, and Concessions Manager are due by February 6, 2024, at 5:00pm.

Varin exited the meeting.

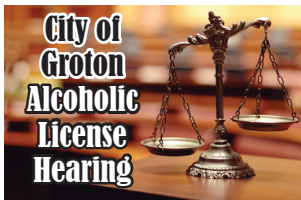
Moved by Cutler and seconded by Wambach to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal matters 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 7:45pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 8:15pm.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Wells to adjourn the meeting at 8:15pm. All members present voted aye.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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Notice of Hearing upon Application for a Special Event Alcoholic Beverage License  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT The Groton City Council on the 16th day of January, 2024 at 7:00pm at the Groton City Hall, 120 N Main Street, Groton, South Dakota will meet in regular session to consider a special event alcoholic beverage license for a Hand-Knit Blanket Class at 120 N Main Street in the City of Groton, South Dakota on January 30th, 2024.

Any person interested in the approval or rejection of any such application may appear and be heard.

Dated at Groton, South Dakota this 2nd day of January, 2024.

Douglas Heinrich, Groton City Finance Officer

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NOTICE OF VACANCY  
MUNICIPALITY OF GROTON

The following offices will become vacant due to the expiration of the present term of office of the elected officer.

Jon Cutler – Councilperson Ward 1 – 1-year term

Kevin Nehls – Councilperson Ward 1 – 2-year term

Brian Bahr – Councilperson Ward 2 – 2-year term

Jason Wambach – Councilperson Ward 3 – 2-year term

Circulation of nominating petitions may begin on January 26th, 2024, and petitions may be filed at City Hall located at 120 N Main St., Groton, SD between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. central standard time not later than the 23rd day of February, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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January 16, 2024

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at 120 N Main Street for their second monthly meeting with the following members present: Wells, Babcock via phone, Cutler, Wambach, Bahr, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were Attorney Drew Johnson, Finance Officer Douglas Heinrich, and Elizabeth Varin.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Wambach to approve the agenda with no changes or additions. All members present voted aye.

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

A Special Event Alcoholic Beverage License for the Hand-Knit Blanket Class at Wage Memorial Library on January 30, 2024, was approved on a motion by Bahr and seconded by Wells. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Babcock to authorize Mayor Hanlon to sign the Memorandum of Understanding with Dakota Resources. All members present voted aye.

The December finance report was approved on a motion by Wambach and seconded by Cutler. All members present voted aye.

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

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

Payroll, \$27,146.51, Employee salaries; Administrative, \$4,416.40, ; Public Safety, \$10,277.62, ; Public Works, \$12,452.49, ; Dacotah Bank, \$5,786.40, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$647.90, HSA contributions; Dakotaland FCU, \$730.00, Employee savings; City of Groton, \$100.00, Change for money bag - Skating Rink ; SD State Treasurer, \$9,008.65, Sales & Excise Tax - December 2023; Tony & Teresa Skonhovd, \$25.71, Utility deposit refund; Maricruz Bohaga, \$66.45, Utility deposit refund; Amanda Morehouse, \$266.36, Utility deposit/overpayment refund; Eric Flemmer, \$130.88, Utility deposit refund; City of Groton, \$576.96, Utility deposits applied to bills; USPS, \$291.58, Utility billing postage; SD Retirement System, \$10,361.54, Employee retirement; Dacotah Bank, \$3,649.92, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$50.00, HSA contributions; Allied Benefit Systems, \$13,438.95, Employee insurance; ULINE, \$93.38, Black smoker's receptacle - Community Center; A&B Business Solutions, \$359.24, Printer lease; Heartland Energy, \$45,426.02, Power services - December 2023; WAPA, \$26,695.81, Power services - December 2023; OverDrive, Inc., \$600.00, Annual fee for Libby - Library; Steven Lust

Automotive, \$216.38, Replacement of motor mounts - PD Tahoe - not covered by warranty; Galls, LLC, \$147.97, Tactical pants - PD; Lori's Pharmacy, \$33.50, Flower arrangement for Nelson funeral; South Dakota 811, \$55.65, Message fees - October thru December 2023; Avera Medical Group, \$80.00, Employee drug screening fees; Darrel's Sinclair, \$20.00, Tire for trailer - City Shop; Avera Occupational Medicine, \$95.00, Employee drug screening fee; Badger Meter, Inc., \$102.88, Cellular service fee for water meters; Runnings Supply, Inc., \$130.74, Shovels and cable ties - City Shop; MJ's Sinclair, \$1,258.14, Fuel purchases; Ken's Fair Foods, \$378.72, Paper towels, foam cups, fuel purchases - Multiple Depts. ; Dacotah Bank Visa, \$1,080.62, Library bags, book purchases, flash drives, Wage Memorial plaque canvas, water sample postage, chemical testing supplies, fuel purchases, pizza for Christmas movie event, Facebook ad boost for dog tags - Multiple Depts. ; South Dakota Retailers Assoc., \$195.00, Annual membership dues; Banyon Data Systems, Inc., \$2,520.00, UB/Payroll/Fund Accounting support annual fee; AutoZone, Inc., \$516.53, Oil filters, oil, oil stabilizer, coolant, battery - Multiple Depts.; SD Supplemental Retirement, \$290.00, Supplemental retirement; Aramark, \$58.03, Rug rent - City Hall; Altec Capital Services, LLC, \$2,189.93, Digger truck lease; Groton Daily Independent, \$65.98, Publishing fees; WEB Water, \$20,162.55, Water services - December 2023; Heartland Waste Management, \$10,176.10, Garbage hauling; James Valley Telecomm., \$777.61, Telephone & internet services.

Reminder: Applications for Baseball Coordinator, Softball Coordinator, Legion Coach, Jr. Legion Coach, Jr. Teener Coach, Girls' Softball Coaches, Day Baseball/Softball Coach, and Concessions Manager are due by February 6, 2024, at 5:00pm.

Varin exited the meeting.

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Wells to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal matters 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 7:24pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 7:39pm.

Varin reentered the meeting.

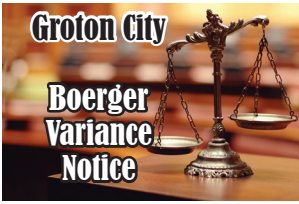
Moved by Bahr and seconded by Wells to hire Hannah Sandness and Kason Oswald as Skating Rink Attendants. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Wambach to adjourn the meeting at 7:41pm. All members present voted aye.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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### NOTICE OF VARIANCE HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Groton Planning & Zoning Commission will be holding a public hearing on February 26, 2024, at 6:00pm CDT at City Hall, 120 N Main Street, Groton, SD for a variance of Chapter 9, Section 9.0106 of the Groton Zoning Ordinance. This application was made by Jayme and Kristen Boerger for a garage located within 0 feet of the north lot line in a Residential District (R-1) at 606 N 2nd Street, Groton, SD, legally described as S ½ of Lt 2 and Lt 3, Bk 17, of the 1st Addition.

Any person wishing to present testimony for or against this variance may appear in person or by representative at the above time and place.

Doug Heinrich  
Zoning Administrator

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### INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT The Groton City Council of the City of Groton, South Dakota, will open bids for the 2024 resurfacing of City Streets on March 5, 2024, at 7:00pm (local time) at City Hall, 120 N Main Street, Groton, SD. Received sealed bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The work on this project includes the following:

- Approximately 37,000 square yards of bituminous seal coat.

All work areas are located within the city limits of Groton, SD.

The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined at the following locations:  
City Hall, 120 N Main Street, Groton, SD 57445

The approximate quantities mentioned above are subject to increase or decrease. Questions or requests for further information should be directed to the City Finance Office, 605-397-8422, PO Box 587, Groton, SD 57445.

The City reserves the right to refuse any or all bids, to waive any informalities in the bidding and to award the contract in the best interests of the City of Groton, SD.

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February 6, 2024

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at 120 N Main Street for their first monthly meeting with the following members present: Wells, Nehls, Cutler, Wambach, Bahr, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were Attorney Drew Johnson, Douglas Heinrich, Elizabeth Varin, Kellie Locke, Dwight Zerr, Todd Gay, Charity Hinman, Keith Wipf, Christopher Frost, and Stacy Mayou.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Wambach to approve the agenda with the change of moving Skating Rink Discussion to take place after public comments. All members present voted aye.

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

Discussion took place regarding the skating rink. Frost expressed concerns regarding the closing of the skating rink.

Frost exited the meeting.

Discussion took place regarding childcare. Hinman and Wipf expressed a want to acquire land from the city to construct a new childcare facility and youth center.

Hinman and Wipf exited the meeting.

Department reports were reviewed and discussed.

Gay and Mayou exited the meeting.

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Nehls to authorize the purchase of a wastewater camera. All members present voted aye.

Zerr exited the meeting.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Wambach to vacate portions of West 7th Avenue and North Lincoln Street. Wells, Nehls, Wambach, and Bahr voted aye. Cutler abstained from voting.

Discussion took place regarding the updated safe room cost estimate.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Bahr to enter into a contract with Payment Service Network (PSN) for a customer payment portal. All members present voted aye.

Locke exited the meeting.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Cutler to authorize the Allied Health Insurance refund to be processed through payroll and distributed evenly amongst the 13 current employees. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Wells to approve Change Order No. 4 for Maguire Iron. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Nehls to approve Pay Request No. 3 for Maguire Iron. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Bahr to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion for Maguire Iron. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Wells to table discussion regarding building inspector/code enforcement. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Wells to approve the updated baseball complex advertisement sign pricing. All members present voted aye.

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

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

Payroll, \$44,687.19, Employee salaries; Executive, \$559.27, ; Administrative, \$9,487.66, ; Public Safety, \$8,660.76, ; Public Works, \$25,152.03, ; Culture & Recreation, \$827.47, ; Douglas Heinrich, \$468.00, Med flex; Dacotah Bank, \$5,822.65, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dakotaland FCU, \$730.00, Employee savings; Dacotah Bank, \$1,647.90, HSA contributions; Groton Daily Independent, \$37.00, 1-year subscription to B&W print edition; NW Energy, \$43.09, Natural gas service - water tower; Stacy Mayou, \$455.09, Med flex; Valley River, LLC, \$400.00, Family Crisis rental assistance; Verizon Wireless, \$40.01, Wireless router - Rubble Site; April Abeln, \$258.40, Med flex; Dacotah Bank, \$3,060.37, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$300.00, HSA contributions; Aflac, \$314.98, Employee insurance; Colonial Life, \$69.40, Employee insurance; Employer's Mutual Insurance, \$82.70, Employee insurance; Allied Benefit Systems, \$13,438.95, Employee insurance; Kellie Locke, \$40.00, Med flex; SD DANR, \$600.25, 2023 drinking water fee; Dacotah Bank, \$5,857.47, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dakotaland FCU, \$730.00, Employee savings; Dacotah Bank, \$647.90, HSA contributions; SD Supplemental Retirement, \$390.00, Supplemental retirement; Dakota Supply Group, \$694.33, Flexible tap saddles - Wastewater Dept.; SD Department of Health, \$30.00, Water testing; Metering & Technology Solutions, \$1,141.92, Water me-

ters, registers, and cellular endpoints ; Groton Senior Citizens, \$30.00, Purchase of Lee Raines books for Library; J's Superior Cleaning, \$400.00, Commercial cleaning services - January 2024; Dakota Fluid Power, Inc., \$720.95, Cylinder repair - Street Dept.; Nelson Sales & Service, LLC, \$36.00, Chainsaw sharpening; Groton Daily Independent, \$64.85, Publishing fees; RDO Equipment Co., \$974.19, Gasket repair to loader - Street Dept.; IMEG Corp., \$5,128.38, Engineering services - Wastewater study update; Irby, Inc., \$80.00, Bucket knives - Electric Dept.; Dakota Pump & Control, \$1,242.86, Weekend service call - pump malfunctioning - Wastewater Dept.; Dwight Zerr, \$14.00, Meal reimbursement - Trip to Federal Surplus Store in Huron, SD on 1/30/2024; Branden Abeln, \$14.00, Meal reimbursement - Trip to Federal Surplus Store in Huron, SD on 1/30/2024; SD Federal Property Agency, \$532.50, Various tools, hammers, wrench sets, sand paper, binder clips, paper clips, coat, shovels, rope, tape, gloves, axe - Multiple Departments; S&S Lumber Co., \$191.21, Keypad lever, hose coupler, wire lock pins, male air hose ends, unfaced insulation - Multiple Depts. ; Dakota Electronics, \$110.00, Mic replacement - Police Dept.; NW Energy, \$12.35, Natural gas service - PD generator; Galls, LLC, \$228.02, Boots, handcuff key, pants - Police Dept. ; Share Corporation, \$111.39, Sweeping compound - City Shop; Stan Houston Equip. Co., Inc., \$2,312.95, 5hp plate compactor and sawzall blade; AutoZone, Inc., \$34.36, Wiper blades for dump trucks; WAPA, \$29,076.78, Power services - January 2024; SD Retirement System, \$10,665.92, Employee retirement; Dahme Construction, Inc., \$2,954.06, Sewer repair - 302 N 1st St; Badger Meter, Inc., \$102.88, Cellular service fee - Water metering; Dollar General, \$135.20, Bottled water, toothpicks, hot chocolate, sponges, coffee, coffee filters, air freshener, paper plates/bowls, toilet tissues, jumbo paper clips, nose tissues - Multiple Depts. ; Heartland Energy, \$73,474.33, Power services - January 2024; Drew Johnson, \$750.00, Legal services - January 2024; A&B Business Solutions, \$387.32, Printer lease - City Hall; Groton Chamber of Commerce, \$12,000.00, 2024 donation; Groton BB/SB Foundation, \$10,000.00, 2024 donation; Team Lab Chemical Corp, \$1,000.00, Wastewater chemicals; Full Circle Ag, \$1,255.20, Bulk oil for shop and propane tank rental; Vermeer High Plains, \$12,300.00, 2024 reel trailer - Electric Dept.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Nehls to table the discussion regarding summer salaries. All members present voted aye.

Varin exited the meeting.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Wambach to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal matters 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 8:52pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 9:33pm.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Bahr to table the hiring of summer baseball/softball employees. All members present voted aye.

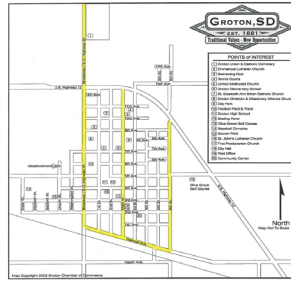
Moved by Nehls and seconded by Wambach to adjourn the meeting at 9:34pm. All members present voted aye.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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## Notice of Garbage Pickup- Effective the week of February 12<sup>th</sup>



To help preserve our streets, Groton residents are asked to bring their garbage to the following locations until further notice:

**Railroad Avenue, Main Street, Sixth Street, & Highway 37**

Residents of the Broadway Mobile Home Park need to take their garbage to **Highway 37**.

Residents north of 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue (Olson and Jacobson Developments) need to bring their garbage to the **Bus Barns**.

*Your cooperation is greatly appreciated during the spring thaw.*

**Please bring your garbage bags and/or cans to these locations for Tuesday pickup!**



February 20, 2024

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at 120 N Main Street for their second monthly meeting with the following members present: Wells, Nehls, Cutler, Bahr, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were Attorney Drew Johnson, Douglas Heinrich, Elizabeth Varin, and Topper Tastad.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Nehls to approve the agenda with no changes or additions. All members present voted aye.

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

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Wells to approve authorization to bid the 2024 Street Resurfacing Project. Sealed bids will be opened on March 5, 2024, during regular session. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Wells to approve authorization to begin accepting 2024 gravel quotes. Sealed quotes will be opened on March 5, 2024, during regular session. All members present voted aye.

Discussion took place regarding maintenance of the alley east of Main Street.

Tastad exited the meeting.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Nehls to approve the January finance report.

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

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

Payroll, \$29,257.33, Employee salaries; Administrative, \$5,420.39, ; Public Safety, \$10,018.82, ; Public Works, \$13,763.82, ; Culture & Recreation, \$54.30, ; WEB Water, \$19,471.40, Water services - January 2024; USPS, \$290.77, Utility billing postage; City of Groton, \$272.34, Utility deposit applied to bills; Farmers Union - Johnson Agency, \$139.56, Utility deposit refund; Mike & Joann Nehls, \$88.10, Utility deposit refund; SD State Treasurer, \$9,619.31, Sales and Excise Tax - January 2024; Kellie Locke, \$143.10, Med flex; SD Dept of Public Safety, \$40.00, Police Officer Certification ID x4; Dacotah Bank, \$3,473.35, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$50.00, HSA contributions; Dacotah Bank, \$6,598.85, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dakotaland FCU, \$730.00, Employee savings; Dacotah Bank, \$647.90, HSA contributions; Grand Slam Computers, \$204.00, Nordic Backup - PD; Ken's Food Fair, \$239.20, Fuel purchases, tape, cleaning supplies, soap, hot chocolate, foam cups; Aramark, \$67.26, Rug rent - City Hall; Anderson Garage Doors, \$2,300.00, Replacement of hoop barn garage door ; Galls, LLC., \$294.73, Shirt, handcuffs, flashlight, headlamp - Police; Border States Industries, Inc., \$6,619.19, 3000ft reel of wire - Electric



Dept.; Heartland Waste Management, \$10,156.47, Garbage hauling; MJ's Sinclair, \$1,290.98, Fuel purchases ; James Valley Telecommunications, \$830.73, Telephone and internet services ; Dakota Pump & Control, \$3,791.99, Swimming pool pump repair; Jetline Sales & Service, \$16,500.00, Wastewater camera; Dacotah Bank Visa, \$1,820.67, 48in plow marker, book purchases, ink cartridge, tape, paper, tire inflator, water sample, electric uniform purchases, 2x new library computers, MOCIC membership fee, postage, fuel purchase, tap and die set, bike giveaway supplies - Multiple Depts. ; AutoZone, Inc., \$21.78, Blue shop towels, wiper fluid - City Shop; Altec Capital Services, LLC, \$2,189.93, Digger truck lease - Electric Dept.; SD Supplemental Retirement, \$290.00, Supplemental retirement; Groton Daily Independent, \$80.97, Publishing costs; Mac's Hardware, \$39.99, Pipe wrench - City Shop; NW Energy, \$56.48, Natural gas service - Water Tower; Van Diest Supply Company, \$4,313.00, Mosquito control chemicals; Vermeer High Plains, \$352.47, Duct pullers - Electric Dept.; Farmers Union Co-op Assoc., \$1,783.56, Diesel fuel - Street Dept.; Share Corporation, \$130.95, Protectant wipes - City Shop; Dave Miller, \$248.56, Repair to iPad Air screen;

Announcement: SDML District 6 Annual Meeting on April 10, 2024, at 6pm at the Groton American Legion.

Varin exited the meeting.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Cutler to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal matters 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 7:47pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 8:28pm.

Varin reentered the meeting.

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Cutler to enter into a contract with Dennis "Mike" Olson to perform code enforcement services for the City of Groton. All members present voted aye.

The first reading of Ordinance No. 775 – 2024 Summer Salaries was approved on a motion by Nehls and seconded by Bahr. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Nehls to begin accepting applications for the following remaining summer employment positions: Public Works Laborer, Cemetery Caretaker, Swimming Pool Manager, Assistant P/T Swimming Pool Manager, Lifeguards, Baseball Groundskeepers, and Baseball Gatekeepers. Applications are due by March 19, 2024, by 5pm. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Wells to hire the following baseball/softball employees: Matt Locke – Baseball Coordinator, Jackie Iverson – Softball Coordinator, Seth Erickson – Legion Coach, Aaron Severson – Jr. Legion Coach, Spencer Locke – Jr. Teener Coach, Susan Fjeldheim – U14 Softball Coach, Christopher Frost – U12 Softball Coach, Reilly Fuhrman – U10 Softball Coach, and Sydney Kurtz – U8 Softball Coach. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Wells to adjourn the meeting at 8:31pm. All members present voted aye.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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## PUBLIC NOTICE TO GROTON PROPERTY OWNERS

Notice is hereby given that City Council, sitting as the Local Board of Equalization, will meet at City Hall, 120 N Main Street, Groton, SD, for the purpose of reviewing, correcting and equalizing the assessment of property on March 19, 2024, at 8:00 pm, following the regular council meeting.

Appeals must be submitted in writing with supporting documentation by 5:00pm Thursday, March 14th at City Hall or mail appeals to the Finance Officer, PO Box 587 Groton, South Dakota. Those appealing will be notified of their scheduled time to meet with the Board. Contact City Hall for more information at 605-397-8422.

Douglas J. Heinrich, Groton City Finance Officer

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Notice of Hearing upon Application for a Special Event Alcoholic Beverage License  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT The Groton City Council on the 19th day of March, 2024 at 7:00pm at the Groton City Hall, 120 N Main Street, Groton, South Dakota will meet in regular session to consider a special event alcoholic beverage license for Susan Fjeldheim to host a private graduation celebration at the Groton Community Center at 109 N 3rd Street in the City of Groton, South Dakota on May 4th, 2024.

Any person interested in the approval or rejection of any such application may appear and be heard.

Dated at Groton, South Dakota this 7th day of March, 2024.

Douglas Heinrich, Groton City Finance Officer

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#### MINUTES FOR THE CITY OF GROTON LOCAL BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

The City of Groton Local Board of Equalization met on Tuesday, March 19, 2024, at 8:00pm at 120 N Main Street. Board members present were Mayor Scott Hanlon, Council members: Jason Wambach, Shirley Wells, Jon Cutler, Karyn Babcock, Brian Bahr, and Kevin Nehls. Also present was Douglas Heinrich - Finance Officer, Dale Ringgenberg, and Glen Cooper.

The Local Board of Equalization received two written notice of appeals in objection to property assessments from Glen Cooper (Wendy and Bonnie Cooper) and Dale Ringgenberg. Cooper objected based upon the fact that the lot in question, LT 2-3 BK 13 ORIGINAL PLAT GROTON, had a house removed from old '206' property, yet still saw an increase in value that Cooper believes to be unwarranted. The Local Board of Equalization agreed with Cooper that the value seemed high and deferred Cooper's corrected value of \$270,000 to the Brown County Board of Equalization for review.

Ringgenberg objected based upon his belief that the value of the lot in question, N 46' LT 18 & LT 19 BK 39 1ST ADDITION GROTON, was assessed too high. The Local Board of Equalization deferred Ringgenberg's corrected value of \$78,000 to the Brown County Board of Equalization for review.

No other property owners were present on March 19th to object to assessments. The Local Board of Equalization reviewed the property assessment list and had no recommendations for Brown County to review.

The Groton City Local Board of Equalization adjourned at 9:29 PM.

ATTEST:

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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### Advertisement for Bids

The City of Groton is seeking proposals for non-alcoholic beverages to be sold at the Groton Baseball Complex and Groton Swimming Pool for the seasons in 2024, 2025, and 2026. These will include carbonated soft drinks and non-carbonated soft drinks, juices, water, tea, and enhanced isotonic drinks. The drinks must be provided in 16 to 20 oz bottles. The products will be delivered to the Groton Baseball Complex and Groton Swimming Pool. Coolers or vending machines must be provided.

Proposal A is for an exclusive contract for the 3 years.

Proposal B is for a shared contract for the 3 years.

Proposals are due at City Hall, 120 N Main St (PO Box 587) Groton, SD 57445 by April 15, 2024, at 5pm in sealed envelopes marked BID. Contracts will be awarded at the April 16, 2024, City Council meeting.

For any questions, please contact City Hall at 605-397-8422.

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### Notice of Intent

Renewal of General Permit for the City of Groton Restricted Use Solid Waste Facility Under the South Dakota Solid Waste Program

The City of Groton, P.O. Box 587, Groton, SD 57445--587, 605-397-8422, currently has a general permit to operate a restricted use solid waste facility authorized by the South Dakota Department of Environmental and Natural Resources Waste Management Program. The facility comprises 9 acres. The legal description of the facility is the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 30, T123N, R60W, Brown County, SD. The facility is located one-half mile south of town. The city of Groton is both the landowner and operator of the facility.

Waste to be accepted at the facility includes trees and untreated wood waste, yard waste composting, white goods and scrap metal storage, wood ash, concrete, limited construction and demolition debris. The estimated annual tonnage of waste to be accepted and managed at the facility will be less than 500 tons per year.

Additional information about the facility may be obtained from Terry Herron 605-397-7458.

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## Ordinance No. 775

An Ordinance entitled "2024 Summer Salary Ordinance," an Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 766 BE IT ORDAINED by the City of Groton, South Dakota, that Ordinance No. 775 reads as follows:

Section 1: Schedule of Salaries. The salaries and time of payment of employees shall be as follows:

Public Works Laborer, \$16.00 Hourly plus \$.25 per year of service, biweekly.

Cemetery Caretake, \$16.00 Hourly plus \$.25 per year of service, biweekly.

Swimming Pool Manager, \$16.00 Hourly plus \$.25 per year of service, biweekly.

Asst. P/T Swimming Pool Manager, \$14.00 Hourly plus \$.25 per year of service, biweekly.

Swimming Pool Lifeguard, \$11.20 Hourly plus \$.25 per year of service, biweekly.

WSI Lifeguards during Swimming Lessons, Regular Salary +1 Hourly, biweekly, plus \$25.00 bonus per private lesson \*.

WSI Asst. Lifeguard during swimming lessons, regular salary +\$.50 hourly, biweekly.

Concessions Manager, \$50 daily, biweekly, plus 50% net profit at end of season.

Baseball Coordinator, \$4,000.00 yearly plus \$77.32 per year of service, monthly.

Softball Coordinator, \$1,500.00 yearly plus \$25.77 per year of service, monthly.

Legion Baseball Coach, \$4,000.00 yearly, monthly.

Jr. Legion Baseball Coach, \$3,000.00 yearly plus \$51.55 per year of service, monthly.

Jr. Teener Baseball Coach (if 1), \$2,000.00 yearly plus \$51.55 per year of service, monthly.

Jr. Teener Baseball Coach (if 2), \$1,500.00 yearly plus \$38.66 per year of service, monthly.

Day Baseball/Softball Coach, \$2,500 yearly plus \$50.00 per year of service, monthly.

Girls Softball Coach (U8, U10, U12, U14), \$1,000.00 yearly plus \$20.62 per year of service, monthly.

Baseball Groundskeeper, \$11.20 hourly plus \$.25 per year of service, biweekly.

Baseball Gatekeeper, \$11.20 hourly plus \$.25 per year of service, biweekly.

\* \$25.00 bonus per private lesson (5 lessons) is only awarded upon successful completion of entire swimming pool season.

Section II: Requirements. Final. Payment of wages will be paid after completion of all duties.

Passed First Reading: 2/20/2024

Passed Second Reading: 3/12/2024

Published: 3/20/2024

Effective:

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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March 19, 2024

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at 120 N Main Street for their second monthly meeting with the following members present: Bahr, Babcock, Cutler, Wambach, Wells, Nehls, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were Attorney Drew Johnson, Douglas Heinrich, Elizabeth Varin, Kelly Dybdahl, and Susan Fjeldheim.

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Wells to approve the agenda with no changes or additions. All members present voted aye.

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

The Special Event Alcoholic Beverage License for a private graduation event hosted at the Groton Community Center by Susan Fjeldheim on May 4, 2024, was approved on a motion by Bahr and seconded by Babcock. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Wambach to approve Resolution No. 20242 for adopting an interconnection process and requirements for qualifying facilities to implement co-generation of electricity and small power production facilities under Sections 201 and 210 of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act (PURPA) and Part 292 of the Code of Federal Regulations. All members present voted aye. Resolution No. 20242 reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Sections 201 and 210 of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act (PURPA) and Part 292 of the Code of Federal Regulation (hereinafter "federal law and regulation") establish obligations of electric utilities to purchase energy and capacity from qualifying facilities, sell energy and capacity requested by qualifying facilities, make interconnection with qualifying facilities to accomplish purchases or sales, and offer to operate in parallel with qualifying facilities; and, WHEREAS, the City is obligated by federal law and regulation to allow qualifying facilities to interconnect with the City's electrical distribution system and to operate in parallel with qualifying facilities as may be necessary to accomplish purchases from or sales to said qualifying facilities; and, WHEREAS, the City desires to establish process and requirements that ensure qualifying facilities are able to interconnect with the City's electric distribution system, and operate in parallel therewith, in a safe and reliable manner; NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF GROTON, SD: That the City of Groton adopts the attached Interconnection Process and Requirements for Qualifying Facilities under Sections 201 and 210 of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 and Part 292 of the Code of Federal Regulations, which is by reference made part hereof. That the City shall publish this resolution without attachment after its passage. The attachment is on file and available in the office of the City Finance Officer.

Authorization to begin bidding out the soda contract for 2024, 2025, and 2026 was approved on a motion by Nehls and seconded by Cutler. All members present voted aye.

The February finance report was approved on a motion by Cutler and seconded by Bahr. All members present voted aye.

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved on a motion by Wells and seconded by Nehls. All members present voted aye.

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

Payroll, \$25,888.26, Employee salaries; Executive, \$129.28, ; Administrative, \$4,743.83, ; Public Safety, \$8,489.99, ; Public Works, \$12,525.16, ; Dacotah Bank, \$5,758.20, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dakotaland FCU, \$730.00, Employee savings; Dacotah Bank, \$647.90, HSA contributions; Dacotah Bank, \$2,828.89, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$50.00, HSA contributions; April Abeln, \$29.75, Med flex; Kellie Locke, \$250.00, Med flex; SD Supplemental Retirement, \$290.00, Supplemental retirement; Branden Abeln, \$14.00, Employee meal reimbursement - MSHA Training in Aberdeen; Terry Herron, \$14.00, Employee meal reimbursement - MSHA Training in Aberdeen; Dwight Zerr, \$14.00, Employee meal reimbursement - MSHA Training in Aberdeen; Groton Ford, LLC, \$17.89, Oil drain plug for Dodge Ram - Electric Dept.; Border States Industries, Inc., \$912.77, Meter socket extenders - Electric Dept.; Runnings, \$395.98, Inflator gauge and pallet racking; Schwan Welding & Boiler Repair, \$274.64, Materials for drag - Streets; Matheson Tri-Gas, \$261.82, Wire and gas for welder; Groton Daily Independen-

dent, \$88.56, Publishing fees; NW Energy, \$48.43, Natural gas service - Water Tower; Apptegy, Inc., \$1,666.00, Thrillshare Media Subscription - Alerts feature; Irby, Inc, \$9,441.00, C-neck distribution ties, connectors, hot line clamps, junctions, cold shrink foldback jacks, electrical pedestals, arresters, plastic padlocks, split bolts, chainsaw, impact wrench, lineman's nut runner socket - Electric Dept.; BK Custom T's & More, \$240.00, Legion/Jr. Legion hats;

2024-2025 Malt Beverage License renewals for MJ's Sinclair, Ken's Food Fair, and Dollar General were approved on a motion by Wells and seconded by Babcock. All members present voted aye.

2024 Spring City Wide Cleanup will take place April 27, 2024, to May 3, 2024. Pickups by appointment will take place April 29, 2024, to May 3, 2024, by calling City Hall to reserve your time.

SDML District 6 Annual Meeting is on April 10, 2024, at 6pm at the Groton American Legion.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Nehls to approve Branden Abeln to attend the Water Distribution Course at the Highlands Conference Center in Mitchell, SD from April 16, 2024, to April 18, 2024. All members present voted aye.

Varin exited the meeting.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Babcock to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal matters 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 7:31pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 7:59pm.

Varin reentered the meeting.

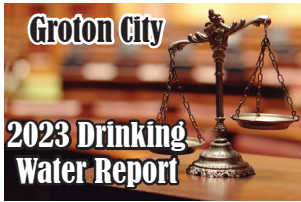
Moved by Bahr and seconded by Cutler to hire the following seasonal employees: Kami Lipp and Tricia Keith – Swimming Pool Managers; Karla Pasteur – Substitute Manager; Cody Swanson – Asst. P/T Swimming Pool Manager; Kelli Hanson, Tanae Lipp, Aspen Johnson, Emma Schinkel, Gretchen Dinger, Faith Traphagen, Emma Kutter, Anna Fjeldheim, Hanna Sandness, Easten Ekern, Jerica Locke, Carly Gilbert, Jayden Schwan, Laila Roberts, Talli Wright, Mia Crank, Avery Crank, Emerlee Jones, Ashlynn Warrington, and Addison Hoffman – Lifeguards; Rebbeca Padfield – Baseball Concessions; Ryan Groeblichhoff, Braxton Imrie, and Nicholas Groeblichhoff – Baseball Groundskeepers; Leah Jones and Addison Hoffman – Baseball Gatekeepers; Brian Gravatt – Cemetery Maintenance; and Aaron Severson – Public Works Laborer. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Nehls to adjourn the meeting at 7:59pm. All members present voted aye.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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City of Groton  
DRINKING WATER REPORT  
WATER QUALITY  
Secretary's Award

The City of Groton has supplied twenty-two consecutive years of safe drinking water to the public it serves and has been awarded the Secretary's Award for Drinking Water Excellence by the South Dakota Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources. This report is a snapshot of the quality of the water that we provided last year. Included are details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and state standards. We are committed to providing you with information because informed customers are our best allies.

### **Water Source**

We serve more than 1,380 customers an average of 108,000 gallons of water per day. Our water is surface water that we purchase from another water system. The state has performed an assessment of our source water and they have determined that the relative susceptibility rating for the Groton public water supply system is low.

For more information about your water and information on opportunities to participate in public meetings, call (605)397-8422 and ask for Douglas Heinrich.

### **Additional Information**

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants can be obtained by calling the Environment Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women

and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The City of Groton public water supply system is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

### Detected Contaminants

The attached table lists all the drinking water contaminants that we detected during the 2023 calendar year. The presence of these contaminants in the water does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. Unless otherwise noted, the data presented in this table is from testing done January 1 – December 31, 2023. The state requires us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. Some of the data, though representative of the water quality, is more than one year old.

### VIOLATIONS

Your system had violations in 2023 and this report is being used as a public notice. Although these incidences were not an emergency, as customers, you have the right to know what happened and what we did to correct the situation. An alternative water supply was never needed and there is nothing you need to do at this time.

Information concerning these violations can be found on the attached Table of Violations. For additional information concerning any violation, please contact us. Please share this information with all the people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and business). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or by mail.

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The City of Groton public water system purchases 100% of their water from WEB Water Development Association (1089).

**2023 Table of Detected Regulated Contaminants For Groton (EPA ID 0147)**

Terms and abbreviations used in this table:

\* Maximum Contaminant Level Goal(MCLG): the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

\* Maximum Contaminant Level(MCL): the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

\* Action Level(AL): the concentration of a contaminant which, when exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow. For Lead and Copper, 90% of the samples must be below the AL.

\* Treatment Technique(TT): A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water. For turbidity, 95% of samples must be less than 0.3 NTU

\* Running Annual Average(RAA): Compliance is calculated using the running annual average of samples from designated monitoring locations.

Units:

\*MFL: million fibers per liter

\*mrem/year: millirems per year(a measure of radiation absorbed by the body)

\*NTU: Nephelometric Turbidity Units

\*pCi/l: picocuries per liter(a measure of radioactivity)

\*ppm: parts per million, or milligrams per liter(mg/l)

\*ppb: parts per billion, or micrograms per liter(ug/l)

\*ppt: parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter

\*ppq: parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter

\*pspm: positive samples per month

Substance	90% Level	Test Sites > Action Level	Date Tested	Highest Level Allowed (AL)	Ideal Goal	Units	Major Source of Contaminant
Copper	1.0	1	08/26/23	AL=1.3	0	ppm	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives.
Lead	3	0	08/29/23	AL=15	0	ppb	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits.

Substance	Highest Level Detected	Range	Date Tested	Highest Level Allowed (MCL)	Ideal Goal (MCLG)	Units	Major Source of Contaminant
Antimony *	.36		10/27/22	6	6	ppb	Discharge from petroleum refineries; fire retardants; ceramics; electronics; solder.
Barium *	0.052		10/27/22	2	2	ppm	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits.
Fluoride *	0.50		10/10/23	4	<4	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Haloacetic Acids (RAA)	18.6		08/23/23	60	0	ppb	By-product of drinking water chlorination. Results are reported as a running annual average of test results.
Haloacetic Acids (RAA) *	16.15		10/17/23	60	0	ppb	By-product of drinking water chlorination. Results are reported as a running annual average of test results.
Selenium *	1.1		10/27/22	50	50	ppb	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from mines.
Total trihalomethanes (RAA)	8.32		08/23/23	80	0	ppb	By-product of drinking water chlorination. Results are reported as a running annual average of test results.
Total trihalomethanes (RAA) *	8.42		10/17/23	80	0	ppb	By-product of drinking water chlorination. Results are reported as a running annual average of test results.

Please direct questions regarding this information to Mr Terry Herron with the Groton public water system at (605)397-8422.

\* WEB Water Development Association (1089) test result.

2023 Information on Violations For Groton (EPA ID 0147)

(This Drinking Water Report can be used as a Tier III Public Notice if distributed to each customer within 12 months of when the system was notified of the violation.)

Violation Type: DBP Failure To Monitor; Parameter: DBP Failure to Monitor Chlorine. Date System Notified: 07/20/23. Health Effects Language: We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. Since we did not monitor for these contaminants we cannot be sure of the quality of the drinking. Action Taken by your system: Corrective action taken by your system: (x) We have since completed the required compliance measures.

For additional information concerning any violation please contact Mr Terry Herron with the Groton public water system at (605)397-8422.





April 2, 2024

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at 120 N Main Street for their first monthly meeting with the following members present: Bahr, Babcock, Cutler, Wambach, Wells, Nehls, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were Attorney Drew Johnson, Douglas Heinrich, Elizabeth Varin, Logan Manhart, Terry Herron, Dwight Zerr and Mike Olson.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Bahr to approve the agenda with no changes or additions. All members present voted aye.

Public comments were welcomed pursuant to SDCL 1-25-1. Logan Manhart, candidate for District 1 State House in South Dakota, shared a short summarization of who he is and expressed his interest in familiarizing himself with the community that he is striving to represent, which includes Groton, SD.

A Special Event Alcoholic Beverage License for the Fireman's Fun Night at 305 E Railroad Avenue on April 20, 2024, was approved on a motion by Wells and seconded by Wambach. All members present voted aye.

Department reports were reviewed and discussed.

Herron and Zerr exited the meeting.

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Cutler to approve the fee schedule modification increasing the returned check charge from \$40 to \$60, effective July 1st, 2024. All members present voted aye.

The minutes from the previous Groton City Council meeting were approved on a motion by Cutler and seconded by Nehls. All members present voted aye.

The minutes from the Board of Equalization meeting on March 19, 2024, were approved on a motion by Wambach and seconded by Wells. All members present voted aye.

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

Payroll, \$29,928.29, Employee salaries; Executive, \$1,850.51, ; Administrative, \$5,234.26, ; Public Safety, \$8,900.38, ; Public Works, \$13,943.14, ; Jayme & Kristen Boerger, \$500.00, Family crisis assistance; Dacotah Bank, \$6,395.38, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dakotaland FCU, \$730.00, Employee savings; Greg and Danielle Heilman, \$454.81, Curb & gutter overpayment refund; Groton Area Schools, \$75.00, Community Center rental reimbursement; Dacotah Bank, \$3,198.23, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$50.00, HSA distributions; AFLAC, \$314.98, Employee insurance; Colonial Life, \$69.40, Employee insurance; Allied Benefit Systems, \$13,438.95, Employee insurance; City of Groton, \$1,495.22, Family crisis utility assistance; Bell Bank Equipment Finance, \$28,620.18, First payment for new 2024 payloader ; SD Supplemental Retirement, \$290.00, Supplemental retirement; SD Department of Health, \$30.00, Water testing; Verizon Wireless, \$40.01, Wireless router - Rubble Site; Groton Daily Independent, \$725.37, Publishing fees & printing costs for mass mailing; J's Superior Cleaning, \$200.00, Commercial cleaning services - March 2024; Professional Management Services, \$10.25, Ice melt - City Hall; Geffdog Designs, LLC, \$760.00, Baseball banners; Matheson Tr-Gas, Inc., \$56.00, Welder nozzle and contact tip - City Shop; C&H Baseball, Inc., \$1,008.03, Nylon knotten netting w/ rope border - Baseball; Mac's, Inc., \$34.24, Fasteners - Swimming Pool; Riteway Business Forms, \$1,076.62, Blank utility bill postcards and check blanks; IMEG Corp, \$2,750.00, Engineering services - Wastewater Study; D&J Equipment Sales & Service, \$412.50, Hoist inspection at City Shop; Dakota Supply Group, Inc., \$38.08, Filters - Water Dept.; Badger Meter, Inc., \$102.88, Cellular service fee for water metering; NW Energy, \$12.48, Natural gas services - PD generator; Glenn Bitz, \$150.00, Window cleaning - City Hall; Greg's Repair, \$1,447.39, Repairs to 2021 PD Tahoe; Mandy Livingston, \$500.00, Family crisis assistance; Dollar General, \$103.80, Candy, light bulbs, coffee, paper towels, frame, toilet paper, bottled water - Multiple Depts.; S&S Lumber, \$304.51, Snow shovel, linseed oil, washers, brushes, broom hangers, concrete bit, PVC caps, sealer, air hose chuck, hose clamp, red spray paint, no trespassing sign, wood posts, lock pins, spade bit, gloves - Multiple Depts.; Drew Johnson, \$700.00, Legal services - March 2024; AutoZone, Inc., \$7.58, Oil filters

Reminder: SDML District 6 Annual Meeting on April 10, 2024, at the Groton American Legion beginning at 6pm.

Varin exited the meeting.

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Wells to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal

matters 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 7:28pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 8:22pm.

Varin reentered the meeting.

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Babcock to hire the following seasonal employees: Claire Zbylut – Day Baseball/Softball Coach, Dillon Abeln – Groundskeeper, and Sydney Locke – Gatekeeper. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Wells to adjourn the meeting at 8:25pm. All members present voted aye.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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#### NOTICE OF VARIANCE HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Groton Planning & Zoning Commission will be holding a public hearing on April 22, 2024, at 6:00pm CDT at City Hall, 120 N Main Street, Groton, SD for a variance of Chapter 11, Section 11.0106 of the Groton Zoning Ordinance. This application was made by Dale Ringgenberg to move in a shed within 1 foot of the north lot line in a Residential District (R-3) at 17 N 4th Street, Groton, SD, legally described as N 46' of Lt 18 and Lt 19, Bk 39 of the 1st Addition.

Any person wishing to present testimony for or against this variance may appear in person or by representative at the above time and place.

Doug Heinrich

Zoning Administrator

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Notice of Hearing upon Application for a Special Event Alcoholic Beverage License  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT The Groton City Council on the 21st day of May, 2024 at 7:00pm at the Groton City Hall, 120 N Main Street, Groton, South Dakota will meet in regular session to consider a special event alcoholic beverage license for Amateur Baseball Games at 411 W 3rd Avenue in the City of Groton, South Dakota on the following dates: 6/9/24, 6/23/24, 7/7/24, & 7/24/24.

Any person interested in the approval or rejection of any such application may appear and be heard.

Dated at Groton, South Dakota this 13th day of May, 2024.

Douglas Heinrich, Groton City Finance Officer

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April 16, 2024

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at 120 N Main Street for their second monthly meeting with the following members present: Bahr, Babcock, Wambach, Wells, Nehls, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were Attorney Drew Johnson, Douglas Heinrich, Elizabeth Varin, and Shannon Broderson.

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Wambach to approve the agenda with the removal of cemetery road discussion and the addition of a legal matter to discuss in Executive Session. All members present voted aye.

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

Two bids were received for the three-year soda contract from Pepsi and Coca-Cola for 2024, 2025, and 2026. Moved by Nehls and seconded by Bahr to accept the exclusive three-year contract with Coca-Cola contingent upon discussion with Chuck Padfield. All members present voted aye.

Broderson exited the meeting.

The March finance report was approved on a motion by Babcock and seconded by Wells. All members present voted aye.

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

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

Payroll, \$28,506.54, Employee salaries; Administrative, \$4,743.83, ; Executive, \$277.05, ; Public Safety, \$10,941.71, ; Public Works, \$12,543.95, ; Reliance Standard Life Insurance, \$82.70, Employee insurance; WEB Water, \$19,723.68, Water services - March 2024; Payment Service Network, Inc., \$200.75, PSN online module fee - March 2024; SD Retirement System, \$13,463.44, Employee retirement; SD State Treasurer, \$8,835.46, Sales and Excise Tax - March 2024; USPS, \$296.86, Utility billing postage; Dacotah Bank, \$5,739.39, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dakotaland FCU, \$730.00, Employee savings; Dacotah Bank, \$647.90, HSA contributions; Dacotah Bank, \$3,680.06, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$50.00, HSA contributions; Groton American Legion Post 39, \$150.00, SDML District 6 Annual Meeting room rental fee; Core & Main, \$6,428.83, Supplies for Water Dept. - valves, adapters, couplings, valve box, meter copperhorns; Geffdog Designs, LLC, \$1,917.84, Uniform purchases - City Hall; Dave's Marine, Inc., \$729.00, 6' bench in memory of Doug Ehrenberg; Groton Daily Independent, \$279.06, Publishing fees; A&B Business Solutions, Inc., \$362.24, Printer lease - City Hall; Cole Papers, Inc., \$132.41, Paper towels - Police Dept.; Heartland Energy, \$46,081.13, Power services - March 2024; WAPA, \$26,054.69, Power services - March 2024; SD 811, \$8.40, Message fees - Jan thru March, 2024; Aramark, \$67.26, Rug rent - City Hall; Irby, Inc, \$4,679.58, Connectors, washers, crossarm pins, FR jeans, socket set, blower, crimper, driver bit set, drill bit set - Electric Dept.; SD Supplemental Retirement, \$290.00, Supplemental retirement; Dakota Pump & Control, \$2,240.40, Repairs to Hanlon Lift impellers; Ken's Fair Foods, \$322.53, Fuel, bottled water, foam cups - Multiple Depts.; MJ's Sinclair, Inc., \$1,140.26, Fuel purchases - Multiple Depts.; Dacotah Bank Visa, \$3,339.47, Ink stamper, car seat covers, keyboard tray, paper, highlighters, tape, white out, sewer sample postage, water sample postage, annual electric conference registration, rubber goods testing postage, wheel brush, mouse pads, office chair, planner, District 6 Annual Meeting attendee registration, fuel purchases, stamps for mass mailing; Custom Installation Solutions, \$510.00, Installation of radar equipment into 2023 PD Tahoe; Karl Emergency Vehicles, \$14,602.95, Upfitting of 2023 PD Tahoe; James Valley Telecommunications, \$779.72, Telephone and internet services; Runnings, \$59.99, Trailer jack - Street Dept.; Farmers Union Co-op, \$1,650.00, Diesel fuel - Street Dept.; SD Gov't Finance Officers Assoc., \$75.00, 2024 FO School registration; SD Gov't Human Resources Assoc., \$50.00, 2024 HR School registration; SDPAA, \$153.57, Coverage addition of 2024 Case Loader; Colonial Research Chemical Corp., \$969.74, Swimming pool cleaner; Altec Capital Services, LLC, \$4,598.85, Digger truck lease - 2 payments; Leidholdt Tool Sales, LLC, \$56.65, Ratchet set - City Shop; Harry Implement, Inc., \$67.69, Hydraulic hoses - Street Dept.; Menards, \$1,587.78, Storm siren batteries and concrete sealer - Multiple Depts.; NW Energy, \$45.37, Natural gas service - Water Tower; Heartland Waste Management, \$10,144.20, Garbage hauling; Branden Abeln, \$280.90,

Employee meal and mileage reimbursement - Water Distribution Class in Mitchell, SD.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Babcock to authorize Douglas Heinrich to attend Human Resources School and Finance Officer School from June 10 - 14, 2024, in Spearfish, SD. All members present voted aye.

Varin exited the meeting.

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Wells to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal matters 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 7:35pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 8:24pm.

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Babcock to adjourn the meeting at 8:25pm. All members present voted aye.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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May 7, 2024

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at 120 N Main Street for their first monthly meeting with the following members present: Bahr, Babcock, Wambach, Wells, Nehls, Cutler, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were Attorney Drew Johnson, Douglas Heinrich, Terry Herron, Dwight Zerr, and Todd Gay.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Bahr to approve the agenda with no changes or additions. All members present voted aye.

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

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

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Cutler to adjourn the 136th City Council. All members present voted aye.

The 137th City Council was convened on a motion by Wells and seconded by Babcock. All members present voted aye. Mayor Hanlon appointed Kevin Nehls as Ward 1 Councilperson for a term of one (1) year. Mayor Hanlon administered the Oath of Office to Jason Wambach, Brian Bahr, Kevin Nehls, and Jonathan Cutler.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Nehls to elect Brian Bahr as City Council President. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Wells to elect Jason Wambach as City Council Vice President. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Wambach to retain the same committee representative list and officers as 2023, with the exception of Bahr replacing Cutler as Planning and Zoning Representative. All members present voted aye. The committee representative list is as follows:

2024 Committee Representatives

NECOG Representative: Babcock

Planning & Zoning Representative: Bahr

Committees: Chairman, Co-Chairman

Electric, Transit, Insect & Weed Control, Airport: Cutler, Wells

Water, Swimming Pool, Skating, Economic Development: Babcock, Nehls

Streets, Baseball, Storm Drainage, Other Rec (Tennis, Basketball, Golf): Wambach, Bahr

Wastewater, Cemetery, Civil Defense, Community Center: Wells, Nehls

Finance Office, Legal, Library, Insurance, General Admin, Elections, Code Enforcement: Wambach, Babcock

Solid Waste, Rubble Site, Parks, Forestry, Liquor: Bahr, Cutler

Police: Cutler, Nehls

Drew Johnson was appointed as the City Attorney on a motion by Bahr and seconded by Wells. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Wambach to approve bills at each meeting and authorize the Finance Officer to pay payroll and all monthly bills in a timely manner to avoid penalties and take advantage of discounts. All members present voted aye.

Department reports were reviewed and discussed.

Gay exited the meeting.

Discussion took place regarding the rubble site.

Discussion took place regarding the upcoming wastewater project and the upcoming rate increase. Discussion also took place regarding drainage in the alley west of Main Street behind the American Legion.

Herron and Zerr exited the meeting.

The 2023 Annual Report was approved on a motion by Cutler and seconded by Nehls. All members present voted aye.

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

Payroll, \$46,309.19, Employee salaries; Executive, \$17,343.87, ; Administrative, \$4,743.83, ; Public Safety, \$9,897.85, ; Public Works, \$12,525.16, ; Culture & Recreation, \$1,798.48, ; Kellie Locke, \$173.50, Med flex; SD Department of Revenue, \$300.00, 2024-25 Malt Beverage License renewal fees; SD DANR, \$60.00, Water Distribution Level 1 exam fee; Dacotah Bank, \$6,077.43, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dakotaland FCU, \$730.00, Employee savings; Dacotah Bank, \$647.90, HSA contributions; Verizon Wireless, \$40.01, Wireless router - Rubble Site; Douglas Heinrich, \$65.00, Med flex; Sherri Profeta, \$500.00, Family crisis assistance; Dacotah Bank, \$6,106.37, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$50.00, HSA contributions; AFLAC, \$314.98, Employee insurance; Colonial Life, \$69.40, Employee insurance; Allied Benefit Systems, \$13,438.95, Employee insurance; Reliance Standard Life Insurance, \$82.70, Employee insurance; SD Retirement System, \$11,239.88, Employee retirement; Aberdeen Women's Softball Assoc., \$1,100.00, Women's softball league entry fee ; EcoLab Pest Elimination, \$112.36, Rubble site rodent control; Cole Papers, Inc., \$242.38, Garbage bags and toilet paper - Baseball Complex; Pipe Detectives, Inc., \$28,095.00, Manhole scanning - Wastewater Dept.; Dakota Pump & Control, \$5,451.93, Repairs to RR lift station; SD Department of Health, \$301.00, Water/wastewater testing; SD Federal Property Agency, \$59.00, Boots, tools, allen wrench set - Multiple Depts.; Irby, Inc., \$341.00, Fuses - Electric Dept.; Sanitation Products, Inc., \$657.89, Broom for street sweeper; Douglas Heinrich, \$247.60, Mileage/Meal reimbursement - Heartland Energy Annual Meeting on 4/18/2024; Employee cell phone reimbursement - Mar/Apr 2024; Metering & Technology Solutions, \$1,092.78, Cellular endpoints - Water Dept. ; Farmers Union Co-op Assoc., \$757.71, Fuel for cemetery and ballpark; Anderson Garage Doors, \$350.00, Replacement of spring system w/ chain hoist on hoop barn; Fliehs Sales & Service, \$161.76, New blades for Bobcat mowers - Baseball Complex; SD Supplemental Retirement, \$290.00, Supplemental retirement; Kromer Company, \$96.81, Line strainer parts - Baseball Complex; Dakota Resources, \$96.48, Mileage reimbursement - Groton Development Corp. (3 core meetings); Eide Bailly, LLP, \$16,000.00, Progress billing for 2022 single year audit; NW Energy, \$12.38, Natural gas service - PD generator; Pressure Washer Central, \$24.97, New washer wand and coupler - City Shop; S&S Lumber, \$497.12, Roller covers, painters tape, paint tray, tray liners, brushes, socket adapter, clear silicone, PVC cement, antifreeze, marking paint, batteries, duct tape, rubber gloves, wire brush, female cord end, cable ties, treated lumber - Multiple Depts.; Daves Marine, Inc., \$729.00, 6' bench in memory of Doug Ehrenberg (#2) ; City of Groton, \$1,610.00, 2024 summer recreation change bags - Swimming Pool/Baseball; J's Superior Cleaning, \$200.00, Commercial cleaning services - April 2024; Titan Machinery, \$1,500.00, Hooks and coupler for payloader - Streets; A&B Business Solutions, \$370.62, Printer lease - City Hall; WAPA, \$21,192.94, Power services - April 2024; WEB Water, \$19,739.39, Water services - April 2024; Badger Meter, \$2.88, Metering services - April 2024; Blue Valley Public Safety, Inc., \$2,571.84, Repairs to park storm siren; Dennis "Mike" Olson, \$1,928.63, Code enforcement services ; A-1 Sanitation, \$4,078.02, Groton City-wide cleanup; VESTIS (formerly Aramark), \$67.26, Rug rent - City Hall; Darrel's Sinclair, \$45.90, Oil filters for mowers - Cemetery; Drew Johnson, \$1,000.00, Legal services - April 2024; April Abeln, \$40.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement - Mar/Apr 2024; Kellie Locke, \$40.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement - Mar/Apr 2024; Branden Abeln, \$40.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement - Mar/Apr 2024; Paul Kosel, \$40.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement - Mar/Apr 2024; Landon Johnson, \$40.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement - Mar/Apr 2024; Geffdog Designs, LLC., \$934.00, Hats for baseball - U8/U10/U12/T-Ball/Jr. Teeners; Groton Daily Independent, \$50.22, Publishing fees;

SD VFW Baseball, \$60.00, Jr. Teener uniform patches; AutoZone, Inc., \$578.60, Oil, oil filters, diesel exhaust fluid - Multiple Depts. ; Groton Ford, LLC., \$658.55, Mount and balance new tires, new battery - Multiple Depts. ; Ken's Fair Foods, \$390.71, Fuel purchases, lemonade mix, creamer - Multiple Depts. ; Heartland Energy, \$40,964.76, Power services - April 2024

Varin exited the meeting.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Cutler to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal matters 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 8:31pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 9:35pm.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Cutler to hire Jesse Anderson as Public Works Laborer at a wage of \$30 per hour. Wells abstained from voting. All remaining members present voted aye.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Babcock to hire Kyleigh Kroll as Gatekeeper. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Bahr to adjourn the meeting at 9:40pm. All members present voted aye.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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May 21, 2024

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at 120 N Main Street for their second monthly meeting with the following members present: Bahr, Wambach, Wells, Nehls, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were Attorney Drew Johnson, Douglas Heinrich, Terry Herron, Elizabeth Varin, Kami Lipp, Tricia Keith, Emma Schinkel, Marjae Schinkel, Dan Schinkel, Patty Brooks, Craig Brooks,

Kim Bowman, Mike Olson, Joseph Schwan, Whitney Sombke, and Becah Fliehs.

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Nehls to approve the agenda with no changes or additions. All members present voted aye.

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

Patty Brooks and Kim Bowman from the American Red Cross and Kami Lipp presented Emma Schinkel with a Lifesaving Award for her efforts during the 2023 pool season in rescuing a young boy struggling to swim.

The Schinkels, Brookses, Bowman, Keith, and Lipp exited the meeting.

Discussion took place regarding code enforcement. Mike Olson provided the council with an update on the various properties found to be in violation of city ordinance(s).

Olson exited the meeting.

The soccer complex maintenance and lease agreement between Groton High School, Groton Soccer Association, and the City of Groton was discussed.

Sombke, Schwan, and Fliehs exited the meeting.

The Special Event Alcoholic Beverage License for Groton Amateur Baseball games on 6/9, 6/23, 7/7, and 7/24 at the Groton Baseball Complex was approved on a motion by Nehls and seconded by Bahr. All members present voted aye.

The first reading of Ordinance No. 776 – Sewer Rates was approved on a motion by Wambach and seconded by Wells. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Wambach to update the 2024 committee representative list. All members present voted aye. The updated committee representative list is as follows:

2024 Committee Representatives

NECOG Representative: Babcock

Planning & Zoning Representative: Bahr

Committees: Chairman, Co-Chairman

Electric, Transit, Insect & Weed Control, Airport: Cutler, Wells

Water, Swimming Pool, Skating, Economic Development: Babcock, Nehls

Streets, Baseball, Storm Drainage, Other Rec (Tennis, Basketball, Golf): Wambach, Wells

Wastewater, Cemetery, Civil Defense, Community Center: Bahr, Nehls

Finance Office, Legal, Library, Insurance, General Admin, Elections, Code Enforcement: Wambach, Babcock

Solid Waste, Rubble Site, Parks, Forestry, Liquor: Bahr, Cutler

Police: Cutler, Nehls

The April finance report was approved on a motion by Wells and seconded by Bahr. All members present voted aye.

The updated fees for the rubble site were approved on a motion by Nehls and seconded by Wambach. All members present voted aye.

Herron exited the meeting.

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

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

Payroll, \$52,208.49, Employee salaries; Administrative, \$9,487.66, ; Public Safety, \$9,683.32, ; Culture & Recreation, \$7,978.88, ; Public Works, \$25,058.63, ; USPS, \$292.77, Utility billing postage; City of Groton, \$125.42, Utility deposits applied to bills; Kelsea Heintzman, \$240.33, Utility deposit refund; Jessica Anderson, \$134.25, Utility deposit refund; Dacotah Bank, \$6,377.61, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dakotaland FCU, \$730.00, Employee savings; Dacotah Bank, \$647.90, HSA contributions; SD State Treasurer, \$9,810.14, Sales & Excise Tax - April 2024; Stacy Mayou, \$724.06, Med flex; Dacotah Bank, \$3,149.15, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$50.00, HSA contributions; Dacotah Bank, \$6,891.29, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dakotaland FCU, \$730.00, Employee savings; Dacotah Bank, \$647.90, HSA contributions; SD Supplemental Retirement, \$290.00, Supplemental retirement; Dollar General, \$142.15, Bottled water, coffee, creamer, new wall clock, cleaning products, toilet paper, table covers, nose tissue - Multiple Depts. ; Flihs Sales & Service, \$77.74, New blower belt - Baseball; A-1 Sanitation & Recycling, LLC, \$1,754.96, Groton City-wide cleanup; Sanitation Products, Inc., \$550.00, Broom for sweeper - Street Dept.; Groton Autoworks, LLC., \$1,466.00, Repairs to 2004 GMC pickup - Street Dept.; BK Custom T's & More, \$340.00, 2024 t-ball shirts; Harve's Pro Prints, \$1,499.75, New Jr. Teener jerseys ; MJ's Sinclair , \$1,638.10, Fuel purchases, parts for mower, car wash, diesel exhaust fluid; Dacotah Bank Visa, \$2,980.18, Floor liners for new PD Tahoe, various book purchases, mural paint for sidewalk, paper trimmer, rubber cement, sewer sample postage, fuel purchases, DARE supplies, water sample postage, hotel stay for training, tools, folding tables, rubble site annual cloud storage fee, Jr. Legion insurance, U12/U10/Jr. Teener baseball registration, pool rescue equipment - Multiple Depts. ; Heartland Waste Management, \$10,182.96, Garbage hauling; Colonial Research Chemical Corp., \$425.02, Grease - Street Dept.; Branden Abeln, \$115.84, Employee mileage/meal reimbursement - Watertown, SD - Water Distribution Training; Crawford Trucks & Equipment, Inc., \$26.05, 10' PTO cable - Street Dept.; Haider Construction, Inc., \$19,903.60, Boring - 3rd Ave/Garfield St & N Washington St - Electric Dept.; James Valley Telecommunications, \$788.72, Telephone and internet services; C&H Baseball, Inc., \$702.83, Nylon knotted netting - Baseball; Menards, \$99.97, 42" dethatcher - Baseball; Altec Capital Services, LLC, \$2,189.93, Digger truck lease; True Pitch, LLC, \$2,599.60, Mound clay and tarps - Baseball; Runnings, \$73.43, Shop towels, socket adapters, nylon mason line - Electric Dept.; EcoLab Pest Elimination, \$112.36, Rubble Site rodent control; SD Department of Health, \$426.00, Water & wastewater testing; NW Energy, \$31.22, Natural gas service - water tower; Geffdog Designs, LLC, \$152.00, Baseball banner - Hefty Seeds; Groton Daily Independent, \$91.12, Publishing costs; Schwan Welding & Boiler Repair, \$2,337.96, Installation of new mounts on payloader - Street Dept.;

Varin exited the meeting.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Wambach to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal matters 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 8:29pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 8:40pm.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Wambach to adjourn the meeting at 8:40pm. All members present voted aye.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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### NOTICE OF SPECIAL EXCEPTION HEARING

The Groton Planning & Zoning Commission will be holding a public hearing on June 24, 2024, at 6:00pm CDT at City Hall, 120 N Main St., Groton, SD for a special exception of Title 15, Section 15.0104 of the Groton Zoning Ordinance. This application was made by Joseph Foertsch for the purpose of using a portion of the shop as a single-family dwelling in a Commercial 2 Zone at 602 E Railroad Ave., Groton, SD, legally described as C&NW Outlot 2, Southeast 1/4 of Section 19, Township 123, Range 60 West, City of Groton, Brown County, South Dakota.

Any person wishing to present testimony for or against this special exception may appear in person or by representative at the above time and place.

Douglas Heinrich  
Zoning Administrator

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### ORDINANCE NO. 776

An Ordinance entitled "Amending Rates for Groton Municipal Utility Customers" to be effective July 1, 2024.

Be it ordained by the City of Groton, South Dakota that Ordinance No. 8-1-4 be amended to read as follows:

8-1-4 Rates.

Rates for the use of utilities furnished by the City shall be established by Ordinance by the Groton City Council.

Section 5. Sewer Rates:

Sewer fees will be based on the average water usage during November, December, January, February, March, and April. This charge will be discontinued only if the water line has been capped.

Minimum Bill (Connection Charge): \$20.00/month plus

Usage Charge: \$5.00/month per 1,000 gallons

Passed First Reading: 5/21/2024

Passed Second Reading: 6/4/2024

Published: 6/11/2024

Effective: 7/1/2024

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

ATTEST:

Douglas J. Heinrich, Finance Officer

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### June 4, 2024

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at 120 N Main Street for their first monthly meeting with the following members present: Babcock, Wambach, Wells, Nehls, and Councilman Bahr presiding. Also present were Attorney Drew Johnson, Kellie Locke, Terry Herron, Dwight Zerr, Todd Gay, Paul Kosel, Robert Kadoun and Don Kadoun.

Public comments were welcomed pursuant to SDCL 1-25-1, but none were received. Discussion took place regarding the removal of the barn at 5 E. Railroad Ave with Robert Kadoun and Don Kadoun.

Robert Kadoun and Don Kadoun exited the meeting.

Discussion took place regarding sidewalk replacement at City Hall.

Department reports were reviewed and discussed.

Terry Herron, Dwight Zerr and Todd Gay exited the meeting.



The second reading of Ordinance No. 776 – Sewer Rates was approved on a motion by Nehls and seconded by Wambach. All members present voted aye.

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

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

Payroll, \$11,088.66, Employee salaries; Executive, \$559.27, ; Public Safety, \$10,529.39, ; City of Groton, \$45.00, Youth pool pass refund applied to utility bill; Aaron Severson, \$2,400.00, Jr. Legion 2024 Umpire Pay - 15 Home Games @ \$160/game; Amanda Zimmerman, \$640.00, U10 Blue 2024 Umpire Pay - 8 Games @ \$80/game; Chad Locken, \$800.00, U10 White 2024 Umpire Pay - 10 Games @ \$80/game; April Abeln, \$960.00, U12 White 2024 Umpire Pay - 12 Games @ \$80/game; Matt Locke, \$480.00, U12 Red 2024 Umpire Pay - 6 Games @ \$80/game; Spencer Locke, \$2,720.00, Jr. Teener 2024 Umpire Pay - 17 games @ \$160/game; Seth Erickson, \$1,760.00, Legion 2024 Umpire Pay - 11 games @ \$160/game; Dacotah Bank, \$3,595.28, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$50.00, HSA contributions; AFLAC, \$314.98, Employee insurance; Colonial Life, \$69.40, Employee insurance; Allied Benefit Systems, \$13,438.95, Employee insurance; Reliance Standard Life Insurance, \$82.70, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Jaclyn Iverson, \$800.00, 2024 Girls' softball umpire pay - all teams - \$40/game; Stacy Mayou, \$306.81, Med flex; US Bank, \$37,354.32, DW #5 & DW #6 loan payments; SD Retirement System, \$10,701.68, Employee retirement; Dwight Zerr, \$78.29, Med flex; City of Groton, \$397.12, Family Crisis utility payment; Payment Service Network, \$202.50, Gateway and e-bill fees; SD Supplemental Retirement, \$290.00, Supplemental retirement; Harve's Sport Shop, \$2,112.71, Scorebooks, ball buckets, catcher's sets, DOL-A baseballs, D1-HS baseballs - All Baseball Teams; Runnings, \$439.90, Gear lube - City Shop, new weed trimmer - Baseball; Angerhofer Concrete Products, \$17.50, 1x sandblasted brick w/ name - Swimming Pool; Red Horse Inn, \$75.00, One night hotel stay - Family Crisis; Verizon Wireless, \$40.01, Wireless router - Rubble Site; Geffdog Designs, LLC, \$40.00, 2x memorial plaques - Doug Ehrenberg Sr.; Coca-Cola Bottling Co., \$251.00, Soda/drink purchases - Swimming Pool; Railroad Management Co., LLC, \$758.19, Water pipeline annual crossing fee; SD DANR, \$600.00, 2024 drinking water fee; Irby, Inc., \$6,963.75, Wire pull lube, split bolts, lineman's pliers w/ threaded cleaner, eyenuts, box pad, cabinets, junctions, wire - Electric Dept.; Harry Implement, Inc., \$534.22, Hose end, skid loader grapple fork parts, fuel filters, air filters, coolant - Street Dept.; Chuck Padfield, \$704.42, Reimbursement for baseball concession supplies; Menards, \$23.00, Water fountain fittings - Baseball ; NW Energy, \$12.77, Natural gas service - PD generator; O' Reilly Auto Parts, \$40.03, Oil filters - Street Dept.; Border States Industries Inc., \$571.20, FR Clothing - Electric Dept.; Cole Papers, Inc., \$155.04, Trash can liners - City Hall & Park; S&S Lumber Co., \$1,236.19, Cut keys, gloves, BlackJack tubes, utility knives, spray foam, garbage can, cable ties, trimmer line, gear oil, scrub brush, chain snaps, garden hose, white paint, roller covers, tarp, tape, drop cloth, brushes, safety glasses, silicone, hooks, screw eyes, screws, field marker, grinding wheels, vinyl tubing, hose clamps, adapters, threaded cap, brass nipple, WD40, 2 gallon sprayer, concrete caulk, basketball nets, drill bit set, floor dry, spray paint, duct seal, coupler, chain hoist for overhead door at shop, scrapers, putty knife, bungee cords, metric bolts - Multiple Depts.; Team Lab Chemical Corp., \$925.00, 50lb pail of sewer chemicals; Darrel's Sinclair, \$357.90, 2 new batteries - Electric Dept.; VESTIS (formerly Aramark), \$67.26, Rug rent - City Hall; Farmers Union Co-Op Assoc., \$708.34, Fuel - Cemetery and Ballpark; McGannon Plumbing & Heating, \$1,029.74, Maintenance/repairs to boiler and bathrooms - Swimming Pool; Drew Johnson, \$1,200.00, Legal services - May 2024; Dennis "Mike" Olson, \$996.99, Code enforcement services - 5/4/24 through 6/3/24; Dave's Marine, \$1,458.00, (2) pebble beach wave dock benches - Dohman Family; Moved by Nehls and seconded by Babcock to adjourn the meeting at 7:26pm. All members present voted aye.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Kellie Locke, Assistant Finance Officer

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June 18, 2024

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at 120 N Main Street for their second monthly meeting with the following members present: Bahr, Wells, Wambach, Cutler, Nehls, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were Attorney Drew Johnson, Douglas Heinrich, Darrell Hillestad, Elizabeth Varin, and Whitney Sombke.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Wambach to approve the agenda with no changes or additions. All members present voted aye.

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

Discussion took place regarding the airport and the progress with improvements taking place. Moved by Cutler and seconded by Bahr to authorize Hillestad to work with IMEG to have the airport platted. All members present voted aye.

Hillestad exited the meeting.

Discussion took place regarding the soccer complex and the building maintenance. Council would like to review options for a new shed at the complex.

Sombke exited the meeting.

The May finance report was approved on a motion by Nehls and seconded by Cutler. All members present voted aye.

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

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

Payroll, \$48,045.75, Employee salaries; Administrative, \$4,743.83, ; Public Safety, \$8,480.29, ; Public Works, \$14,517.22, ; Culture & Recreation, \$20,304.41, ; US Bank, \$35,000.00, Interest payment - 2015 refinancing bond; Team Lab Chemical Corp., \$32.00, Freight charge; Full Circle Ag, \$106.54, Weed control chemicals; WEB Water, \$22,630.14, Water services - May 2024; USPS, \$292.49, Utility billing postage; DANR, \$60.00, Water distribution level 1 exam fee; Dacotah Bank, \$9,215.33, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dakotaland FCU, \$730.00, Employee savings; Dacotah Bank, \$3,647.90, HSA contributions; Dacotah Bank, \$3,818.71, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$800.00, HSA contributions; Dwight Zerr, \$60.00, Med flex; Greg's Repair, \$892.72, Mount and balance 2 new tires on 2023 PD Tahoe; Linda Bahr, \$112.84, Utility deposit/overpayment refund; Adam and Jenna Franken, \$129.95, Utility deposit/overpayment refund; Baily Job, \$250.00, Utility deposit refund; Scott and Shelly Freeman, \$126.88, Utility deposit/overpayment refund; City of Groton, \$42.58, Utility deposit applied to outstanding bill; Jason Chambers, \$207.42, Utility deposit refund; Betty Breck, \$50.00, Water aerobics class refund; Chris Khali, \$50.00, Swimming lesson refund; SD State Treasurer, \$10,591.78, Sales and excise tax - May 2024; Justin Cleveland, \$727.97, Med Flex; Dollar General, \$282.85, Bottled water, batteries, cleaning supplies, markers, bug spray, toilet paper, first aid supplies, storage bags, storage bins, baking soda, potting soil, latex gloves - Multiple Depts.; Ecolab Pest Elimination, \$317.98, Insect elimination services - Community Center and Pool; rodent control services at rubble site; Badger Meter, Inc., \$150.05, Cellular service fee - Water metering; Coca-Cola Bottling Co., \$1,515.00, Soda/drinks for resale - Baseball Concessions; AutoZone, Inc., \$199.80, Diesel exhaust fluid - City Shop; WAPA, \$21,438.64, Power services - May 2024; Darin Erdmann, \$395.96, Reimbursement for Baseball Concession supplies purchased; A&B Business Solutions, \$415.17, Printer lease - City Hall; SD Supplemental Retirement, \$290.00, Supplemental retirement; Share Corporation, \$372.37, Ground marking paint - blue/green - Water/Sewer Dept.; Farmers Union Co-op Assoc., \$1,480.00, Dyed gov't diesel - Street Dept.; Avera Occupational Medicine, \$270.00, Employee drug testing fees; Fire Safety First, LLC., \$32.65, First aid supplies; Lori's Pharmacy, \$46.33, Window paint, liquid bandage, elastic bandages - Pool; Darrell Hillestad, \$504.62, Reimbursement for airport drainage materials; Bruce Kleinsasser, \$2,135.00, In-service lifeguard training; Schwan Welding and Boiler Repair, \$1,697.50, New mounts on directional plow - Street Dept.; Heartland Waste Management,

\$10,239.90, Garbage hauling; Greg's Repair, \$36.00, Tire repair - Parks; Auto Value Aberdeen, \$297.76, x2 CV axle shafts; Irby, Inc., \$2,836.40, Bolts, split bolts, bare copper wire, duplex wire, ground rods - Electric Dept.; Core & Main, \$868.27, Paving adapters - Water Dept.; Associated Supply Company, Inc., \$26,208.37, Swimming pool chemicals and electrodes; Locke Electric, \$1,077.81, PD sign hookup, soccer field light repair, baseball field 220 outlet installation; Groton Daily Independent, \$139.14, Publishing costs; Altec Capital Services, LLC, \$2,189.93, Digger truck lease; Heartland Energy, \$31,481.32, Power services - May 2024; Cole Papers, Inc., \$94.34, Toilet paper - Baseball; Boys Athletics 2032, \$325.00, U8 & U10 baseball entry fees; Sisseton Youth Baseball Assoc., \$125.00, U12 baseball entry fee; NW Energy, \$13.45, Natural gas service - water tower; Douglas Heinrich, \$629.00, Meal/mileage reimbursement - HR/FO School in Spearfish, SD; Matt Locke, \$960.00, Umpire pay for June 29-30 Jr. Legion tournament; James Valley Telecommunications, \$852.27, Telephone and internet services; MJ's Sinclair, \$1,756.48, Fuel purchases; Ken's Fair Foods, \$2,496.86, Fuel purchases, grocery/food items for resale for baseball and pool concessions; Harve's Sport Shop, \$259.96, Equipment bags for U8/U10/U12 baseball teams; Dacotah Bank Visa, \$6,441.50, Book purchases, new calculators and telephones for City Hall, stamper, infield screens, prestamped envelopes for City Hall, sewer samples, water sample, BB concession food for resale, fuel purchases, pool samples, head immobilizer kit for pool, fitness bar bells for pool, Phillips HeartStart AED for pool, softball equipment, cleat cleaner, z screens, catcher's set for Jr. Teeners, nose tissues, cleaner, candy, toilet paper, creamer - Multiple Depts. ;

Announcement: City offices closed on June 19, 2024, for Juneteenth.

Varin exited the meeting.

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Nehls to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal matters 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 8:14pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 8:54pm.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Nehls to adjourn the meeting at 8:54pm. All members present voted aye.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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Notice of Hearing upon Application for a Special Event Alcoholic Beverage License  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT The Groton City Council on the 2nd day of July, 2024 at 7:00pm at the Groton City Hall, 120 N Main Street, Groton, South Dakota will meet in regular session to consider a special event alcoholic beverage license for the 1st Annual Celebration in the Park at 802 N 3rd Street in the City of Groton, South Dakota on July 27th, 2024.

Any person interested in the approval or rejection of any such application may appear and be heard.

Dated at Groton, South Dakota this 25th day of June, 2024.

Douglas Heinrich, Groton City Finance Officer

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**NOTICE OF VARIANCE HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT The Groton Planning & Zoning Commission will be holding a public hearing on July 22, 2024, at 6:00pm CDT at City Hall, 120 N Main St., Groton, SD for a variance of Chapter 11, Section 11.0106 of the Groton Zoning Ordinance. This application was made by Jerry and Sheryl Buno to relocate a garage within 5 feet of the East lot line and within 0 feet of the North lot line in a Residential (R-3) District at 511 E 1st Avenue, Groton, SD, legally described as Lt 7-8 BK 37 of the 1st Addition, Groton, SD.

Any person wishing to present testimony for or against this variance may appear in person or by representative at the above time and place.

Doug Heinrich  
Zoning Administrator

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**ORDINANCE NO. 777**

**2024 SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE**

SECTION I: BE IT ORDAINED by the City of Groton, South Dakota that the following sums are supplementally appropriated to meet the obligations of the City of Groton and shall be effective immediately following passage.

E 101-42320 Building Inspection \$12,000.00

E 101-45123 Soccer \$8,500.00

E 101-45130 Baseball - General \$6,500.00

E 101-45140 Baseball - Grounds \$12,500.00

**TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS**

\$39,500.00

**SOURCE OF FUNDING**

E 101-41150 Contingency

\$8,500.00

Unassigned Fund Balance (Cash Applied) \$31,000.00

**TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCE**

\$39,500.00

Dated at Groton, South Dakota this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

1st Reading: 7/2/2024

2nd Reading: 7/16/2024

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July 16, 2024

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at 120 N Main Street for their second monthly meeting with the following members present: Bahr, Wambach, Wells, Cutler, Nehls, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were Attorney Drew Johnson, Aaron Grant, Sarah Grant, Joyce Grenz, Glenna Remington, Suzie Easthouse, Brenda McCarthy, Tim Janusz, Jason Schaunaman,

Julian Schaunaman, Whitney Sombke, Jason Rowan, Becah Fliehs, Ken Hier, April Buller, Elizabeth Varin, Stacy Mayou, Dwight Zerr and Kellie Locke.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Cutler to approve the agenda with the addition of discussing mosquito spraying at the swimming pool and soccer field. Also, moving agenda item number 6 to agenda item number 3. All members present voted aye.

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

1st Annual Celebration in the Park Event on July 27, 2024, was discussed. The allowance of alcohol for the event is contingent upon the hiring of certified security officers.

Aaron Grant, Sarah Grant, Joyce Grenz, Glenna Remington, Suzie Easthouse, Brenda McCarthy, Tim Janusz, Jason Schaunaman and Julian Schaunaman exited the meeting.

Discussion took place regarding the soccer shed. The purchase of a new shed will no longer take place.

Whitney Sombke, Jason Rowan and Becah Fliehs exited the meeting.

Hier and Buller gave Wastewater update.

Johnson exited the meeting.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Bahr to approve the Airport Services Agreement with IMEG Corp. All members present voted aye.

Hier, Buller and Zerr exited the meeting.

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Cutler to approve the removal of the bushes at the City Park. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Nehls to appoint The Groton Independent as the official newspaper and Dacotah Bank as the official bank for the City of Groton. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Wambach to authorize Skeeter Defeeter to mosquito spray at the Groton Swimming Pool and Soccer Field. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Bahr to approve the June Finance Report. All members present voted aye.

The second reading of Ordinance No. 777 – Supplemental Appropriations was approved on a motion by Nehls and seconded by Wambach. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Wells to temporarily pause Ordinance 6-2-2 to allow public to possess and consume alcoholic beverages for Summer Sip & Shop on July 25, 2024, from 5:00pm to 8:00pm on Main Street. All members present voted aye.

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved on a motion by Nehls and seconded by Cutler with the following changes. All members present voted aye:

The Special Event Alcoholic Beverage License for the 1st Annual Celebration in the Park on July 27, 2024, was approved on a motion by Bahr and seconded by Nehls contingent of Police Chief Stacy Mayou's recommendation. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Cutler to table authorization to pay bills. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Cutler to adjourn the meeting at 10:08pm. All members present voted aye.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Kellie Locke, Assistant Finance Officer

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE APPLICATION FOR SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR 2024

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT The Groton City Council on the 6th day of August,

2024 at the hour of 7:00pm in City Hall, 120 N Main St, Groton, South Dakota will meet in regular session to consider the following transfer applications for alcoholic beverage licenses to operate within the City of Groton, South Dakota for the 2024 licensing period, which has been presented to the governing body and filed on the Finance Office.

From: Dion and Samantha Bahr, dba Bahr's Jungle Lanes and Lounge LLC, 9 N Main St.

Retail (On-Sale) Liquor and Package (Off-Sale) Liquor.

To: Jillian J. Janusz and Cyprus Ltd, dba The Jungle, 9 N Main St.

Retail (On-Sale) Liquor and Package (Off-Sale) Liquor.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that any person, persons, or their representative may appear at said scheduled public hearing and present objections to any or all of the above applicants, if any objections there be.

Dated at Groton, South Dakota this 24th day of July, 2024.

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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August 6, 2024

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at 120 N Main Street for their first monthly meeting with the following members present: Bahr, Babcock, Wells, Cutler, Nehls, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were Attorney Drew Johnson, Douglas Heinrich, Terry Herron, Dwight Zerr, Todd Gay, Tim Janusz, Donna Janusz, Jillian Janusz, Nancy Larsen, Suzie Easthouse, Elizabeth

Varin, and Charity Hinman.

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Wells to approve the agenda with no changes or additions. All members present voted aye.

Public comments were welcomed pursuant to SDCL 1-25-1. Nancy Larsen addressed the council on behalf of Enrich Groton SoDak Inc. and gave an update on the success of The Pantry and Common Cents Community Thrift Store and the benefits both have brought to the community. Nancy thanked the council for the continued support of their efforts.

Larsen exited the meeting.

Charity Hinman presented a business proposal for a daycare center and discussed establishing a center in the community.

Hinman exited the meeting.

Suzie Easthouse provided a recap of the 1st Annual Celebration in the Park and plans for future events.

Easthouse exited the meeting.

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Cutler to approve the transfer of the Retail (On-Sale) Liquor and Package (Off-Sale) Liquor licenses at 9 N Main Street from Dion and Samantha Bahr, d/b/a Bahr's Jungle Lanes and Lounge LLC, to Jillian J. Janusz and Cyprus Ltd, d/b/a The Jungle. All members present voted aye.

Tim, Donna, and Jillian Janusz exited the meeting.

Department reports were reviewed and discussed.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Wells to authorize the removal and replacement of the sidewalk at City Hall. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Cutler to appoint SD FIT as the official bank for the City of Groton, in addition to Dacotah Bank. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Babcock to table the authorization to sign the state financial assistance agreement for airport runway improvements project. All members present voted aye.

The first reading of Ordinance No. 778 – Amending Verbiage of Markup Fees was approved on a motion by Babcock and seconded by Cutler. All members present voted aye.



The 2022 final audit report from Eide Bailly was approved on a motion by Bahr and seconded by Wells. All members present voted aye.

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved on a motion by Wells and seconded by Nehls. All members present voted aye.

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

Payroll, \$37,496.31, Employee salaries; Administrative, \$4,743.83, ; Public Works, \$15,385.55, ; Culture & Recreation, \$17,366.93, ; Dacotah Bank, \$10,154.41, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dakotaland FCU, \$730.00, Employee savings; Dacotah Bank, \$647.90, HSA contributions; Associated Supply Company, Inc., \$23.47, Electrodes - Pool; Chris Khali, \$50.00, Swimming lesson refund; Denise Cameron, \$50.00, Swimming lesson refund; Full Circle Ag, \$213.05, Weed control chemicals; WEB Water, \$28,562.53, Water services - June 2024; USPS, \$292.65, Utility billing postage; City of Groton, \$2,168.01, Utility deposits applied to bills; Brandon Holler, \$142.47, Utility deposit refund; Candyce Hutchins, \$108.11, Utility deposit refund; Mandy Livingston, \$97.75, Utility deposit refund; Macine McGannon, \$75.05, Utility deposit refund; Kelly Miracle, \$133.10, Utility deposit refund; Joe Nelson, \$159.86, Utility deposit refund; Salem Baseball, \$440.00, 2024 state tournament shirts fee; Julie Schaller, \$142.61, Utility deposit refund; Paul Winther, \$98.04, Utility deposit refund; SD State Treasurer, \$10,138.95, Sales and Excise Tax - June 2024; CABS, \$250.00, Jr. Legion baseball tournament fee; Clark Rotary Club, \$600.00, Legion and Jr. Legion baseball tournament fee ; SD Supplemental Retirement , \$290.00, Supplemental retirement; Badger Meter, Inc., \$150.58, Cellular service fee for metering - Water Dept.; Avera Medical Group , \$160.00, Employee drug/alcohol screening; WAPA, \$22,614.58, Power services - June 2024; Heartland Energy, \$52,741.39, Power services - June 2024; A&B Business Solutions, \$418.97, Printer lease - City Hall; Groton Daily Independent, \$180.84, Publishing fees; MJ's Sinclair, Inc., \$1,491.75, Fuel purchases - Multiple Depts.; Dacotah Bank Visa, \$5,131.41, Speaker cable, book purchases, rubber pitching mound, light block, batteries, ammunition, firearm instructor certification, water sample postage, transformer oil sample postage, baseball concession food for resale, fuel purchases, pool samples, baseball trophies, softball bats, softballs, softball catchers gear, U10 softball sanctioning fee - Multiple Depts. ; Brian Gravatt, \$53.07, Reimbursement for purchase of lawn blanket and trimmer line - Cemetery; McGannon Plumbing & Heating, \$1,048.66, A/C services at PD and Community Center, toilet repair at City Park; Payroll, \$97,933.45, Employee salaries; Executive, \$720.87, ; Administrative, \$9,487.66, ; Public Safety, \$18,864.03, ; Public Works, \$30,385.57, ; Culture & Recreation, \$38,475.32, ; Dacotah Bank, \$9,790.02, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dakotaland FCU, \$730.00, Employee savings; Dacotah Bank, \$647.90, HSA contributions; Dacotah Bank, \$4,197.85, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$50.00, HSA contributions; Groton Area PAC, \$50.00, Donation for tiger paw stencil; Jaclyn Iverson, \$375.00, Softball umpire fees - July 2024; Stacy Mayou, \$239.75, Med flex; SD 811, \$81.90, Message fees - April through June of 2024; NW Energy, \$11.77, Natural gas service - water tower; Spencer Locke, \$880.00, Jr. Teener Region Tournament umpire pay; SD Retirement System, \$10,915.14, Employee retirement; Verizon Wireless, \$40.01, Wireless router - Rubble Site; Dacotah Bank, \$3,110.86, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$50.00, HSA contributions; Aflac, \$435.76, Employee insurance; Colonial Life, \$69.40, Employee insurance; Allied Benefit Systems, \$14,120.45, Employee insurance; Reliance Standard Life Insurance, \$88.10, Employee insurance; Heartland Waste Management, \$10,236.22, Garbage hauling; Dacotah Bank, \$10,168.24, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dakotaland FCU, \$730.00, Employee savings; Dacotah Bank, \$647.90, HSA contributions; Payment Service Network, Inc., \$204.25, PSN gateway and ebill fees; Julie Schaller, \$107.39, Utility deposit refund; Silly's Costume Characters, \$20.00, Rental of Mickey Mouse costume for Family Fun Fest - Library; SD Supplemental Retirement, \$390.00, Supplemental retirement; James Valley Telecommunications, \$837.75, Telephone and internet services; EcoLab Pest Elimination , \$117.98, Rodent control - Rubble Site; Dakota Pump and Control, \$6,566.33, Pump repair at Aspen Lift Station - Wastewater Dept.; Irby, Inc., \$3,367.25, LED search light, triplex wire, tool combo kit, conduit, LED photocells, u-guards - Electric Dept.; Fire Safety First, LLC, \$691.10, Annual fire extinguisher maintenance - Multiple Depts.; Diesel Machinery, Inc., \$2,850.00, 4 week rental of Bomag roller - Street Dept.; Runnings Supply Co., \$170.31, Rope, drill extension, drill bit set, battery maintainer, lock pin, long nose pliers, pump hand sprayers - Electric Dept. & City Shop; Geffdog Designs, LLC., \$285.00, (500) bookmarks - Library; Altec Capital Services, LLC., \$2,189.93, Digger truck lease - Electric Dept.; Dennis "Mike" Olson, \$1,292.55, Code enforcement services ; The Groton Independent, \$9.50, Publishing costs; Lori's Pharmacy, \$87.00, Funeral flower arrangements; Cole Papers, Inc., \$390.42, Garbage bags and bath tissue - Multiple Depts.; 3E Generator Shop, \$451.35, Annual generator service - PD generator; Jim of All Trades, \$2,001.70, Repairs to door at crows nest - Baseball; Repairs to soccer

complex building - Soccer; Angerhofer Concrete Products, Inc., \$52.50, (3) sandblasted bricks w/ names - Swimming Pool; Border States Industries, Inc., \$670.68, Line connectors - Electric Dept.; Altec Industries, Inc., \$12,180.74, Digger truck remote control - Electric Dept.; Burdette Security & Technologies, \$4,249.83, Camera installation and training - City Hall; Skeeter Defeeter, \$675.00, Mosquito control services - Swimming Pool & Soccer Field; Stan Houston Equipment Co., Inc., \$547.97, Barricades, multipurpose cutting blade - Multiple Depts.; SD Department of Health, \$126.00, Water and pool testing; J's Superior Cleaning, \$200.00, Commercial cleaning services - City Hall; IMEG Corp., \$4,750.00, Engineering services - Wastewater Dept.; Bryan Rock Products, \$572.55, Agrilime - Baseball; Menards, \$238.98, Accessory cart, roll of 12g yellow wire, hand truck - Multiple Depts.; Susan Fjeldheim, \$150.08, 2024 U14 softball coach mileage reimbursement; NW Energy, \$1,107.68, Natural gas services - Swimming Pool & PD Generator; Lien Transportation Co., \$2,993.45, Hot mix - Streets; Spencer Locke, \$388.60, 2024 Jr. Teener coach mileage reimbursement; VESTIS, \$67.26, Rug rent - City Hall; Nelson Sales and Service, LLC., \$32.99, Mowing head for weedeater - Cemetery; Harry Implement, Inc., \$402.88, Hose, cylinder assembly - Street Dept.; Metering and Technology Solutions, \$1,067.09, (10) high resolution encoders - Water Dept. ; Dollar General, \$410.10, Snacks for swimming lessons, cleaning supplies, coffee, coffee filters, paper plates, tissue paper, ribbon, bottled water, paper towels, toilet paper, bug spray, gloves, garbage bags, surge protector, charger, toilet bowl cleaner, vinegar, air fresheners - Multiple Depts. ; Alternative Technologies, Inc., \$480.00, Transformer oil testing - Electric Dept.; Locke Electric, Inc., \$2,900.00, Repair to 1st base light tower electrical panels - Baseball; Dakota Supply Group, \$24.36, PVC and PVC cement - Water/Wastewater Dept.; Douglas Heinrich, \$200.30, 2024 Heartland Energy Summer Conference in Madison, SD - Meal/Mileage reimbursement; Sydney Kurtz, \$344.38, 2024 U8 Softball coach mileage reimbursement; S&S Lumber Company, \$1,631.87, Spray paint, couplers, elbow, couplings, bolts, silicone spray, 300w bulbs, treated lumber, pvc adapter, hose clamps, brass adapter, field marker, marking paint, brushes, ruller covers, sea foam, fly trap ribbons, wall mount mailbox, rivets, sliding window, shims, spray foam, leather gloves, stop nuts, bug spray, paint, primer, tray liners, 6x8 tarp - Multiple Depts. ; RDO Equipment Co., \$136.93, Chain link, lift link, nut, & ring - Street Dept.; Farmers Union Co-op Assoc., \$718.27, Fuel purchases - Baseball & Cemetery; Fliehs Sales & Service, \$29.97, Oil and fuel filters - Baseball; Krueger Brothers Road Maintenance, \$21.50, Shoulder disking - Street Dept.; Darrel's Sinclair, \$90.44, New tire & valve stem - Cemetery ; Coca-Cola Bottling Company, \$2,186.00, Drink purchases for resale - Baseball & Swimming Pool Concessions; Badger Meter, Inc., \$150.58, Cellular service fee for metering - Water Dept.; Hillestad Air Service, \$469.16, Fuel purchases and gopher bait - Airport; Kami Lipp, \$140.00, Reimbursement for Pool-a-Palooza prizes; Tricia Keith, \$260.00, Reimbursement for Pool-a-Palooza prizes; AutoZone, Inc., \$44.96, Battery, headlight assembly, battery terminal, wheel lock key, battery return, core return - Multiple Depts.; Drew Johnson, \$1,200.00, Legal services - July 2024; A&B Business Solutions, \$413.14, Printer lease - City Hall; Hansmeier & Son, Inc., \$68.75, Lawn seed mix; Dakota Playground, Inc., \$1,564.98, (2) new tire swings w/ hardware - City Park; JGE, Inc., \$71.19, Air filters - Street Dept.; Pressure Washer Central, \$158.50, 50' hose, coupler, plug - City Shop; Full Circle Ag, \$521.99, Weed control chemicals; Brian Hanson, \$70.00, 2023 Jr. Legion tournament umpire pay - 5th/6th place game

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Wells to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal matters 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 8:51pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 9:17pm.

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Nehls to write off the invoice to A&H Excavating due March of 2017 in the amount of \$255.00 due to failed attempts at debt collection. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Nehls to review the Assistant Street Superintendent's wage at the end of year with the reading of the annual salary ordinance. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Wells to adjourn the meeting at 9:19pm. All members present voted aye.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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August 20, 2024

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at 120 N Main Street for their second monthly meeting with the following members present: Bahr, Babcock, Wells, Cutler, Nehls, Wambach, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were Attorney Drew Johnson, Douglas Heinrich, Terry Herron, Mark Abeln, Elizabeth Varin, and Ken Hier.

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Babcock to approve the agenda with no changes or additions. All members present voted aye.

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

Discussion took place regarding water infrastructure issues on Mark Abeln's land at Lot 2 and Lot 5 of the Groton Development Addition.

Abeln, Hier, and Herron exited the meeting.

The second reading of Ordinance No. 778 – Amending Verbiage of Markup Fees was approved on a motion by Cutler and seconded by Wells. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Cutler to authorize the execution of the financial assistance agreement with the SD Department of Transportation for airport runway improvements. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Nehls to approve a donation of \$500 to Jim Lane, \$100 to CJ Lane, and \$100 to Steve Rosendahl for labor provided at the ballpark and soccer complex. All members present voted aye.

Discussion took place regarding the various maintenance issues at the Groton Community Center. Further discussion will resume at the next regular meeting.

The July finance report was approved on a motion by Cutler and seconded by Babcock. All members present voted aye.

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

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

Payroll, \$47,603.71, Employee salaries; Administrative, \$4,743.83, ; Public Safety, \$9,903.70, ; Public Works, \$15,444.21, ; Culture & Recreation, \$17,511.97, ; City of Groton, \$578.21, Utility deposits applied to outstanding bills; Shannon Wiedrick, \$171.79, Utility deposit refund; Steve Gebur, \$130.46, Utility overpayment/deposit refund; Kayla Fordham, \$0.52, Utility overpayment refund; USPS, \$312.84, Utility billing postage; SD Retirement System, \$11,851.57, Employee retirement; SD State Treasurer, \$11,099.23, Sales and Excise Tax - July 2024; WEB Water, \$30,150.94, Water services - July 2024; April Abeln, \$99.75, Med flex; Dacotah Bank, \$9,895.43, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dakotaland FCU, \$730.00, Employee savings; Dacotah Bank, \$647.90, HSA contributions; Dacotah Bank, \$3,918.74, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$50.00, HSA contributions; SD Supplemental Retirement, \$290.00, Supplemental retirement; Altec Capital Services, LLC, \$2,189.93, Digger truck lease - Electric; Groton BB/SB Foundation, \$30,810.00, 2024 donation for new baseball concession building; Aaron Severson, \$1,810.34, 2024 Jr. Legion coach mileage reimbursement; Lien Transportation Company, \$4,925.75, Hot mix - Street Dept. ; CWF Concrete & Masonry, Inc., \$40,095.44, Concrete work - 803 N 1st St & N 1st St/E 5th Ave; EcoLab Pest Elimination, Inc., \$117.98, Rodent Control - Rubble Site; Geffdog Designs, LLC., \$20.00, Trophy plate for 8th Annual Mid-Summer Showdown First Place; Bryan Rock Products, Inc., \$555.78, Agrilime - Baseball Complex; Landon Johnson, \$235.10, Travel for rubber goods testing in Fargo, ND; Heartland Waste Management, \$10,239.90, Garbage hauling; Kami Lipp, \$95.00, Reimbursement for Pool-a-Palooza supplies; Tricia Keith, \$55.00, Reimbursement for Pool-a-Palooza supplies; Krueger Brothers, \$8,004.18, Crushed gravel and washed sand - Street Dept.; WAPA, \$22,318.91, Power services - July 2024; Heartland Energy, \$67,658.10, Power services - July 2024; Groton Garden Club, \$56.16, Mulch for City Park; SWANK Movie Licensing, \$475.00, Public performance license - 2024/2025 - Library; Reilly Fuhrman, \$655.26, 2024 U10 Softball coach mileage reimbursement; Farmers Union Co-op Assoc., \$1,490.00, Diesel fuel - Street Dept. ; Associated Supply Co, Inc., \$1,951.02, Swimming pool chemicals; Sewer Duck, Inc., \$340.00, Rental of 2 portable toilets - Soccer; MJ's Sinclair, Inc., \$1,785.91, Fuel purchases, battery, washer fluid - Multiple Depts.; James Valley Telecommunications, \$846.08, Telephone & internet services; Auto Value Aberdeen, \$10.62, Touch up paint; Skeeter Defeeter, \$200.00, Mosquito control services - Swimming Pool; Seth Erickson, \$1,959.08, 2024 Legion baseball coach mileage reimbursement; Ken's Fair Foods, \$4,400.86, Food for resale - Baseball and Pool Concessions; Fuel purchases - Multiple Depts.; Dacotah Bank Visa, \$6,083.87, Book purchases,

lineup cards, card stock, oil sample postage, water sample postage, pitching machine, food for resale, fuel purchases, traffic barriers w/ cones, background checks for softball coaches, softballs, softball bat, coffee, storage bags, garbage bags, paper bowls, case of paper, ink cartridges, pencil sharpener, kids activities for library - Multiple Depts. ; Flihs Sales & Service, \$31.34, Belt for mower - Parks; Team Lab Chemical Corporation, \$957.00, Sewer chemicals - Wastewater Dept.;

Varin exited the meeting.

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Wells to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal matters 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 7:58pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 8:28pm.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Babcock to adjourn the meeting at 8:28pm. All members present voted aye.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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#### ORDINANCE NO. 778

An Ordinance entitled "Amending Verbiage of Markup Fees" to be effective September 1, 2024.

Be it ordained by the City of Groton, South Dakota that Ordinance No. 1-3-4 be amended to read as follows:

1-3-4 Markup Fees.

All lessees or licensees under operation in the city for the sale of alcohol shall purchase all liquor according to the South Dakota Codified Laws Title 35 pertaining to Alcoholic Beverages. The city shall charge such lessee or licensee a markup fee of five percent above the cost for liquor and malt beverages. The lessee(s) or licensee(s) are responsible for reviewing liquor purchases and calculating necessary markup fees. Fees are to be submitted to the city by the 25th of every month. All markup fees established by the city shall be charged uniformly to all lessees and licensees with lease agreements being renewed annually.

Passed First Reading: 8/6/2024

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Scott Hanlon, Mayor

ATTEST:

Douglas J. Heinrich, Finance Officer

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September 3, 2024

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at 120 N Main Street for their first monthly meeting with the following members present: Babcock, Wells, Nehls, Wambach, and President Bahr presiding. Also present were Attorney Drew Johnson, Douglas Heinrich, Terry Herron, Dwight Zerr, Paul Kosel, Ken Hier, Todd Gay, and Elizabeth Varin.

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Nehls to approve the addition of discussion regarding the airport and upcoming weekend activities. All members present voted aye.

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

Discussion took place regarding electric metering upgrades.

Kosel exited the meeting.

Discussion took place regarding the status of the upcoming wastewater project.

Hier exited the meeting.

Discussion regarding the request for a bucket truck to replace the 2007 Ford F55 took place.

Gay exited the meeting.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Wambach to table the discussion regarding the installation of a stop sign at the intersection of North 3rd Street and East 4th Avenue. All members present voted aye.

Department reports were reviewed and discussed.

Upcoming activities such as the Groton Citywide Rummage Sale and Airport Fly-in/Drive-in event were mentioned.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Wambach to accept the quote from Schwan Welding in the amount of \$3,642 for the installation of gates to close road off at soccer complex. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Nehls to table the proclamation for Hunger Action Day. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Babcock to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. All members present voted aye.

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

Payroll, \$41,239.61, Employee salaries; Executive, \$720.87, ; Administrative, \$5,061.56, ; Public Safety, \$9,630.52, ; Public Works, \$16,485.53, ; Culture & Recreation, \$9,341.13, ; US Bank, \$21,426.46, DW #5 loan payment; US Bank, \$6,734.43, DW #6 loan payment; Dacotah Bank, \$9,134.06, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dakotaland FCU, \$730.00, Employee savings; Dacotah Bank, \$3,271.67, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$50.00, HSA contributions; Aflac, \$435.76, Employee insurance; Colonial Life, \$69.40, Employee insurance; Allied Benefit Systems, \$14,120.45, Employee insurance; Reliance Standard Life Insurance, \$88.10, Employee insurance; Dwight Zerr, \$294.60, Med flex; Chris Theroux, \$250.00, Utility deposit refund; Payment Service Network, \$204.75, PSN gateway and e-bill fees; SD Supplemental Retirement, \$290.00, Supplemental retirement; Dennis "Mike" Olson, \$1,063.74, Code enforcement services - 7/12/24 thru 8/29/24; NW Energy, \$563.94, Natural gas service - Pool & PD; Cole Papers, Inc., \$155.04, Garbage bags - City Hall and Parks; The Groton Independent, \$178.10, Publishing costs; Pressure Washer Central, \$262.00, 6,000 psi hose - City Shop; Harry Implement, Inc., \$57.30, Repairs to sewer by warming house; Associated Supply Company, Inc., \$600.48, Solinoid valve and water test kit refills - Pool; SD Department of Health , \$117.00, Water and pool testing; Allied Climate Professionals, LLC, \$833.86, Replacement of low water cutoff board - City Hall; Anderson Garage Doors, \$150.00, Reinstall cables on hoop barn; Locators & Supplies, Inc., \$116.40, Cemetery marker flags; Verizon Wireless, \$40.01, Wireless router - Rubble Site; J's Superior Cleaning, \$200.00, Commercial cleaning services - City Hall; VESTIS, \$67.26, Rug rent - City Hall; Topkote, Inc., \$92,172.96, 2024 Street Resurfacing project; Irby, Inc., \$3,343.00, Strain insulators, cable positioners, blade cutout barrels; Rubber goods and hot stick testing - Electric Dept. ; Dakota Supply Group, \$297.59, Splice kits - Electric Dept.; Nelson Sales and Service, LLC, \$39.90, Sleeve for weed trimmer - Baseball; Runnings, \$54.98, Chainsaw chains - Forestry; Jim Lane, \$500.00, Donation for labor at Baseball and Soccer Complex; CJ Lane, \$100.00, Donation for labor at Baseball and Soccer Complex; Steve Rosendahl, \$100.00, Donation for labor at Baseball and Soccer Complex; Eide Bailly LLP, \$7,390.00, Final billing for 2022 audit; Dakota Pump & Control, \$7,404.59, Repairs to Trailer Park and Aspen Lift Stations; Badger Meter, \$126.12, Cellular service fee - Water Metering; Harve's Sport Shop, \$519.92, Legion baseballs; Dollar General, \$202.50, Candy, bottled water, cleaning supplies, toilet paper, baking soda, garbage bags, batteries, single hole punch, assorted plastic cutlery - Multiple Depts. ; Drew Johnson, \$1,650.00, Legal services - August 2024; Leidholdt Tool Sales, LLC., \$62.45, Chemical pump; S&S Lumber Co., \$1,042.00, Bug spray, painting supplies, new storm door for PD, weed trimmer line, utility knife, chain oil, nipple, coupler, seal, bolts, lock nuts, leverlock for crows nest, basketball nets, spray paint, paint thinner, screws, sprayer, sprinkler, pruner - Multiple Depts.

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Nehls to adjourn the meeting at 8:19pm. All members present voted aye.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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September 17, 2024

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at 120 N Main Street for their second monthly meeting with the following members present: Babcock, Wells, Nehls, Bahr, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were Attorney Drew Johnson, Douglas Heinrich, April Buller, Ken Hier, Elizabeth Varin, Joseph Schwan, and Stacy Mayou.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Babcock to approve the agenda with the removal of agenda item #3 regarding sidewalk removal/repair. All members present voted aye.

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

Discussion took place regarding the soccer field gate and the updated quote.

Schwan exited the meeting.

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Nehls to not install a new stop sign at the intersection of North 3rd Street and East 4th Avenue. All members present voted aye.

Mayou exited the meeting.

Discussion took place regarding the upcoming wastewater project.

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Nehls to authorize the signing of the State Water Plan Application for SD Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources with a corrected description of the wastewater project. All members present voted aye.

Discussion took place regarding the airport survey. IMEG had no update at this time.

Hier and Buller exited the meeting.

Mayor Hanlon signed the proclamation declaring September 10, 2024, as Hunger Action Day in the City of Groton.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Wells to surplus the following property: 2004 Snapper Mower/Bagger with 23hp engine and 1600hrs, 12ft heavy duty snowplow, large wooden desk with drawers and tempered glass protector, and a speed monitor trailer. Interested parties are to submit bids to City Hall by October 15, 2024, at 5:00pm. All members present voted aye.

The first reading of Ordinance No. 779 – Certifying 2025 City of Groton Property Tax Levy to Brown County was approved on a motion by Wells and seconded by Babcock. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Nehls to approve the August finance report. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Wells to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. All members present voted aye.

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

Payroll, \$35,832.81, Employee salaries; Administrative, \$4,743.83, ; Public Works, \$14,464.70, ; Public Safety, \$9,853.76, ; Culture & Recreation, \$6,770.52, ; City of Groton, \$647.35, Family crisis utility bill assistance; SD Property Management, \$33,500.00, 2009 Sterling LT9500 w/ accessories - Street Dept.; Terry Herron, \$799.84, Med flex; Branden Abeln, \$92.43, Med flex; SD Retirement System, \$14,774.22, Water services - August 2023; Douglas Heinrich, \$143.29, Med flex; USPS, \$312.41, Utility billing postage; Payment Service Network, Inc., \$204.75, PSN gateway and eBill fees; Kayla Fordham, \$1.00, Utility overpayment refund; SD State Treasurer, \$10,497.75, Sales & Excise Tax for August 2024; WEB Water, \$25,506.13, Water services - August 2024; Dacotah Bank, \$7,829.56, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dakotaland FCU, \$730.00, Employee savings; Dacotah Bank, \$647.90, HSA contributions; Dacotah Bank, \$3,166.45, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$50.00, HSA contributions; Stacy Mayou, \$256.85, Med flex; SD Supplemental Retirement, \$290.00, Supplemental retirement; April Abeln, \$60.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement - July/August 2024; Douglas Heinrich, \$60.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement - July/August 2024; Kellie Locke, \$60.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement - July/August 2024; Paul Kosel, \$60.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement - July/August 2024; Landon Johnson, \$60.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement - July/August 2024; Branden Abeln, \$60.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement - July/August 2024; Jesse Anderson, \$60.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement - July/August 2024; MTI Distributing, Inc., \$271.35, Parts for soccer field irrigation system; Trittech Software Systems, \$796.46, Annual software fee - Groton PD; EcoLab Pest Elimination, \$117.98, Rubble site rodent control; Flihs Sales & Service, \$77.74, Belt for mower; Menards, \$73.92, Concrete mix; Farmers Union Co-op Assoc., \$629.30, Fuel purchases - Baseball and Cemetery; Heartland Waste Management, \$10,232.54, Garbage hauling; Schwan Welding & Boiler Repair, \$85.00, Metal rods - City Shop; Geffdog Designs, \$410.55, Rubble site signs & City Hall uniform purchases; WAPA, \$23,367.50, Power services

- August 2024; Heartland Energy, \$60,025.50, Power services - August 2024; A&B Business Solutions, \$378.66, Printer lease - City Hall; NW Energy, \$657.72, Natural gas service - Swimming Pool; The Groton Independent, \$68.71, Publishing fees; Thomas Strickland, \$53.10, Uniform purchase - Groton PD; Grand Slam Computers, \$109.00, Nordic backup annual renewal fee; Altec Capital Services, LLC, \$2,189.93, Digger truck lease; Cannon Technologies (Eaton), \$12,493.57, Yukon support x2, meter purchases - Electric Dept.; Irby, Inc., \$2,504.26, Triplex wire, rubber goods testing - Electric Dept.; Runnings, \$426.98, 30-gallon sprayer, Sawzall blades - Multiple Depts. ; Follett, \$1,033.83, Annual software fee - Library; Crawford Trucks & Equipment, \$63.78, 2 master disconnect switches - Street Dept.; Dakota Riggers & Tool Supply, \$1,005.46, Rope and pull tape - Electric Dept. ; MJ's Sinclair, \$1,726.74, Fuel purchases, light bulb - Multiple Depts. ; Ken's Fair Foods, \$2,122.90, Food for resale, fuel, staples, wiper fluid - Multiple Depts. ; James Valley Telecommunications, \$832.54, Telephone and internet services; Dacotah Bank Visa, \$2,283.28, Book purchases, flower arrangement, youth activities, taser cartridges, water sample postage, pool sample postage food for resale, Arbor Day Foundation membership, postage, traffic cone barriers, fuel purchases, copy paper, batteries, coffee maker - Multiple Depts. ;

Announcement: Pumpkin Fest will be on Saturday, October 5th, 2024, from 10am to 3pm at Groton City Park.

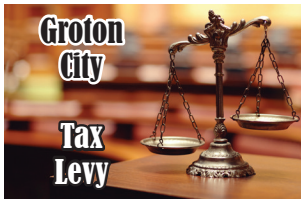
Moved by Nehls and seconded by Bahr to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal matters 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 8:46pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 9:14pm.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Babcock to adjourn the meeting at 9:15pm. All members present voted aye.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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#### Ordinance 779

An Ordinance certifying the 2025 City of Groton Property Tax Levy to Brown County

Be It Ordained by the governing body of the City of Groton, South Dakota that the City Finance Officer is hereby directed to certify the following amount of property tax levy to the County Auditor of Brown County, South Dakota, in the manner provided by law.

General Fund \$563,748

The amount of tax levy request is \$563,748. The amount of opt out request is \$230,000. The total request being \$793,748 for general purposes

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

ATTEST:

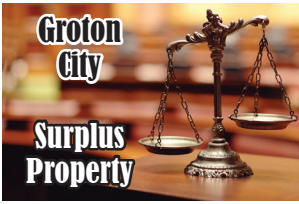
Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

First Reading: 9/17/2024

Second Reading: 10/1/2024

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### Notice of Surplus Property

The Groton City Council has declared the following items as surplus property: 1985 Chevy C7D064 Dump Truck with 73,406 miles. Bids will be accepted at Groton City Hall, 120 N Main Street or mailed to PO Box 572. Bids are due by November 5, 2024, by 5:00pm and will be opened that same evening during the regular council meeting at 7:00pm. Please call 605-397-8422 with any questions. The City Council reserves the right to refuse any and all bids.

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### October 1, 2024

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at 120 N Main Street for their first monthly meeting with the following members present: Babcock, Wells, Wambach, Bahr, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were Attorney Drew Johnson, Douglas Heinrich, Elizabeth Varin, Dwight Zerr, Jarod Fliehs, Jessica Kroll, Tricia Keith, Kami Lipp, and Todd Gay.

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Wells to approve the agenda with the movement of department reports to agenda item #3. All members present voted aye.

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

Department reports were reviewed.

Zerr and Gay exited the meeting.

Keith and Lipp provided an end of year update for the 2024 swimming pool season.

Lipp and Keith exited the meeting.

The 2024 swimming pool report was approved on a motion by Babcock and seconded by Wambach. All members present voted aye.

Discussion took place regarding baseball.

Fliehs and Kroll exited the meeting.

Discussion took place regarding the preparation plan for the skating rink.

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Wambach to approve the gate quote of \$7,000 for the soccer complex. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Wells to declare the 1985 Chevy C7D064 Dump Truck as surplus property. Bids are due by November 5, 2024, at 5:00pm. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Bahr to approve the liquor license renewals for The Jungle, American Legion Post #39, Ken's Food Fair, Red Horse Inn, Olive Grove Golf Course, Dollar General, and MJ's Sinclair. All members present voted aye.

The second reading of Ordinance No. 779 – Certifying 2025 City of Groton Property Tax Levy to Brown County was approved on a motion by Bahr and seconded by Wambach. All members present voted aye.

The meetings from the previous meeting were approved on a motion by Babcock and seconded by Wells. All members present voted aye.

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

Payroll, \$32,536.40, Employee salaries; Executive, \$559.27, ; Administrative, \$4,743.83, ; Public Safety, \$11,289.55, ; Public Works, \$14,233.57, ; Culture & Recreation, \$1,710.18, ; Dacotah Bank, \$6,379.53, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dakotaland FCU, \$730.00, Wireless router - Rubble Site; Dacotah Bank, \$647.90, HSA contributions; Dacotah Bank, \$3,811.27, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$50.00, HSA contributions; Aflac, \$435.76, Employee insurance; Colonial Life, \$69.40, Employee insurance; Allied Benefit Systems, \$14,120.45, Employee insurance; Reliance Standard Life Insurance, \$88.10, Employee Insurance; Pressure Washer Central, \$17.36, 36" wand for pressure washer - City Shop; Skeeter Defeater, \$275.00, Mosquito spray application - Soccer Complex; Dakota Supply Group, \$70.60, Curb box - Water Dept.; IMEG Corp., \$2,500.00, Engineering costs - Wastewater Report; VESTIS, \$67.26, Rug rent - City Hall; Verizon Wireless, \$40.01, Wireless router - Rubble Site; J's Superior Cleaning, \$200.00, Commercial cleaning services - City Hall; Irby, Inc., \$1,795.50, Corner guards, elbows w/ jacket seals - Electric Dept.; SD Department of Health, \$238.00, Water testing ; Harry Implement, Inc., \$266.00, Heat shrink tubing, battery terminal lugs, battery cables - Street Dept.; SD Supplemental Retirement , \$290.00, Supplemental retirement; AutoZone, \$195.72, Serpentine belt, transmission fluid, wiper blades, oil, filter - Multiple Depts. ; Alternative Technologies, Inc., \$264.00, Transformer oil testing - Electric

Dept. ; Lien Transportation Company, \$208.05, Hot mix - Street Dept. ; Glenn Bitz, \$175.00, Window cleaning - City Hall; Justin Cleveland, \$26.80, Employee mileage reimbursement - Traffic OT meeting in Aberdeen, SD; Greg's Repair, \$21.31, Mower tire repair - Parks; Dennis "Mike" Olson, \$688.80, Code enforcement services; WESCO Distribution, \$2,081.00, Meter sockets, current transformer - Electric Dept.; The Groton Independent, \$113.13, Publishing costs; NW Energy, \$11.35, Natural gas service - PD generator; Dollar General, \$251.60, Bottled water, bug spray, plates, homecoming supplies, tape, toilet paper, paper towels, candy, batteries - Multiple Depts. ; S&S Lumber Co. , \$355.62, Glue, quick clamps, 24mm socket, fuse holder, wire connector, toggle switch, hydraulic end, batteries, drill bits, spade bit, reflective numbers, rope, zip ties, basketball nets, masking tape, number, hose parts, male adapter, hitch pin, threaded PVC plug, bug spray, tubing - Multiple Depts. ; Drew Johnson, \$1,150.00, Legal services - September 2024; SD Retirement System, \$11,409.92, Employee retirement.

Announcement: Pumpkin Fest on Saturday, October 5th from 10am to 3pm.

Announcement: Enrich's Winter Gear Distribution on October 3rd from 4pm to 7pm at Groton Community Center.

Varin exited the meeting.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Bahr to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal matters 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 8:21pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 8:35pm.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Babcock to adjourn the meeting at 8:35pm. All members present voted aye.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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October 15, 2024

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at 120 N Main Street for their second monthly meeting with the following members present: Babcock, Wells, Cutler, Wambach, Bahr, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were Attorney Drew Johnson, Douglas Heinrich, Elizabeth Varin, Paul Kosel, Mike Shilhanek, Chris Frost, and Jim Roche.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Babcock to approve the agenda with no additions or changes. All members present voted aye.

Public comments were welcomed pursuant to SDCL 1-25-1. Mike Shilhanek addressed the council regarding the recent Groton Development Corporation meeting. Chris Frost addressed the council regarding the skating rink.

Paul Kosel and Jim Roche from Eaton provided the council with information regarding an electric metering solution.

Kosel and Roche exited the meeting.

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Cutler to approve Resolution No. 20243 for a general fund contingency transfer. All members present voted aye. Resolution No. 20243 reads as follows:

WHEREAS, The City of Groton did approve a line for contingency transfers in the 2024 annual budget in accordance with SDCL 9-21-6.1; and, WHEREAS, The City of Groton finds it necessary to transfer from said contingency line; NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Groton City Council, that the following amount(s) be transferred:

From:

General Fund Contingency – 101-41150: \$36,854

To:

Streets & Highways – 101-43100: \$12,000

Soccer – 101-45123: \$2,500

Swimming Pool – 101-45124 : \$10,000

Baseball Grounds – 101-45140: \$12,354

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Wells to approve the September finance report. All members present voted aye.

Review of surplus property took place. One bid was received for the Snapper Mower in the amount

of \$220 from Cody Monson. Moved by Bahr and seconded by Wambach to accept the bid from Cody Monson in the amount of \$220. All members present voted aye.

2025 budget discussion took place.

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

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

Payroll, \$31,330.83, Employee salaries; Administrative, \$4,743.83, ; Public Safety, \$9,911.83, ; Public Works, \$15,872.12, ; Culture & Recreation, \$803.05, ; City of Groton, \$168.72, Family Crisis utility payment; James Valley Telecommunications, \$132.00, Family Crisis bill payment; Payment Service Network, Inc., \$205.25, Gateway and eBill fees; WEB Water, \$27,293.04, Water services - September 2024; Brown County Treasurer, \$26.70, Title transfer for 2009 Sterling dumptruck; Stacy Mayou, \$234.24, Med flex; SD State Treasurer, \$9,111.76, Sales & Excise Tax - September 2024; Dacotah Bank, \$6,871.77, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dakotaland FCU, \$730.00, Employee savings; Dacotah Bank, \$647.90, HSA contributions; Dacotah Bank, \$3,309.88, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$50.00, HSA contributions; Railroad Management Co., \$1,566.52, Annual power line crossing fees; WESCO Distribution, \$3,270.00, Current transformers - Electric Dept.; Irby, Inc., \$4,669.90, Wedge clamps, clevises, chain-saw tool, line clamps, polymer spool insulator, deadend al clamps, linemans nut runner, utility auger, riser boots, impact wrench, cold shrink end caps, u-guards - Electric Dept. ; Cole Papers, Inc., \$81.02, Garbage bags - Community Center; Jayden Schwan, \$336.30, Lifeguard/WSI training reimbursement - Swimming Pool; Ashlynn Warrington, \$220.00, Lifeguard training reimbursement - Swimming Pool; Emerlee Jones, \$475.00, Lifeguard/WSI training reimbursement - Swimming Pool; EcoLab Pest Elimination, \$117.98, Rodent control - Rubble Site; South Dakota 811, \$54.60, Message fees July thru September 2024; Heartland Energy, \$47,894.23, Power services - September 2024; Heartland Waste Management, \$10,220.27, Garbage hauling; Darrel's Sinclair, \$196.95, Battery - Street Dept.; Team Lab Chemical Corp., \$1,032.00, Wastewater chemicals; Full Circle Ag, \$477.63, Weed control chemicals; Badger Meter, \$155.66, Cellular service fee - Water Dept.; Dakota Resources, \$102.46, Mileage Reimbursement for Sessions 1-3 - Groton Dev. Corp.; A&B Business Solutions, \$392.86, Printer lease - City Hall; WAPA, \$22,501.95, Power services - September 2024; Groton Chamber of Commerce, \$250.00, 2025 chamber dues; Ken's Food Fair, \$475.96, Fuel purchases - Multiple Depts. ; Runnings, \$409.90, Sprayer and mini sweeper - City Shop; MJ's Sinclair, \$1,409.43, Fuel purchases - Multiple Depts. ; SD Supplemental Retirement, \$290.00, Supplemental retirement; Dacotah Bank Visa, \$1,358.93, Skate laces, PH buffer kits, book purchase, traffic signal light bulbs, water sample postage, oil sample postage, airport reimbursement paperwork, pole saw replacement chains, fuel purchases, flashlight, candy, tissues, Remote PC annual fee - Multiple Depts; AutoZone, Inc., \$172.37, Oil filters and oil - City Shop & PD; Altec Capital Services, LLC., \$2,189.93, Digger truck lease; The Groton Independent, \$69.23, Publishing costs; James Valley Telecommunications, \$768.34, Telephone and internet services; Crawford Trucks & Equipment, Inc., \$63.78, Master disconnect switches - Electric Dept.; Aberdeen FOP Lodge #4, \$100.00, 2025 FOP dues - Police Dept.

Announcement: Downtown Trick or Treat on October 31st, 2024, from 4pm to 6pm. Main Street will be blocked off.

Varin exited the meeting.

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Cutler to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal matters 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 8:43pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 9:03pm.

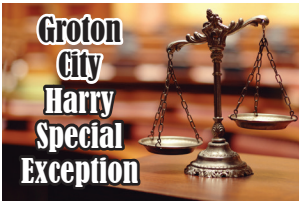
Moved by Wells and seconded by Bahr to adjourn the meeting at 9:04pm. All members present voted aye.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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**NOTICE OF SPECIAL EXCEPTION HEARING**  
The Groton Planning & Zoning Commission will be holding a public hearing on November 14, 2024, at 6:00pm CDT at City Hall, 120 N Main Street, Groton, SD for a special exception of Part 16, Section 16.0103 of the Groton Zoning Ordinance. This application was made by Larry and Kathy Harry for a secondary structure on a separate lot in a Residential (R1) District at 906 N 2nd Street, legally described as Lots 1-2, Block 23, Randalls Addition, City of Groton, Brown County, South Dakota.

Any person wishing to present testimony for or against this special exception may appear in person or by representative at the above time and place.

Douglas Heinrich  
Zoning Administrator  
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**NOTICE OF SPECIAL EXCEPTION HEARING**  
The Groton Planning & Zoning Commission will be holding a public hearing on November 14, 2024, at 6:00pm CDT at City Hall, 120 N Main Street, Groton, SD for a special exception of Part 6, Section 6.0106 of the Groton Zoning Ordinance. This application was made by Larry and Kathy Harry for the purpose of using a portion of their shop as a single-family dwelling in a Highway Commercial Zone at 1319 N Broadway Street, legally described as Outlot 1 of Olsons, City of Groton, Brown County, South Dakota.

Any person wishing to present testimony for or against this special exception may appear in person or by representative at the above time and place.

Douglas Heinrich  
Zoning Administrator  
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November 5, 2024

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at 120 N Main Street for their first monthly meeting with the following members present: Babcock, Nehls, Wells, Cutler, Wambach, Bahr, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were Attorney Drew Johnson, Douglas Heinrich, Elizabeth Varin, Mike Shilhanek, Dwight Zerr, Terry Herron, Todd Gay, Kellie Locke, Chuck Padfield,

and Darrell Hillestad.

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Wambach to approve the agenda with no additions or changes. All members present voted aye.

Public comments were welcomed pursuant to SDCL 1-25-1. Mayor Hanlon read aloud a letter from a concerned resident regarding the Groton Police Department's Ford Explorer. No other comments were received.

The first reading of Ordinance No. 781 – Budget Pay Plan was approved on a motion by Babcock and seconded by Wells. All members present voted aye.

Locke exited the meeting.

Department reports were reviewed and discussed.

Herron, Zerr, and Gay exited the meeting.

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Nehls to approve the 2024 baseball report. All members present voted aye. In addition, Padfield addressed the council with concerns regarding the baseball concessions.

Padfield exited the meeting.

Hillestad provided updates regarding airport improvements.

Hillestad exited the meeting.

Review of surplus property took place. One bid was received for the 1985 Chevy C7D064 Dump Truck in the amount of \$3,850 from Cody Monson. Moved by Cutler and seconded by Bahr to accept the bid from Cody Monson in the amount of \$3,850. All members present voted aye.

The first reading of Ordinance No. 780 – 2025 Appropriations was approved on a motion by Wells and seconded by Babcock. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Nehls to begin accepting application for skating rink employment. All members present voted aye.

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved on a motion by Cutler and seconded by Wells. All members present voted aye.

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

Payroll, \$29,726.73, Employee salaries; Executive, \$559.27, ; Administrative, \$4,757.33, ; Public Safety, \$8,846.72, ; Public Works, \$15,563.41, ; Branden Abeln, \$158.08, Med flex; Justin Cleveland, \$1,412.11, Med flex - final for 2024; Dacotah Bank, \$6,640.41, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dakotaland FCU, \$730.00, Employee savings; Dacotah Bank, \$647.90, HSA contributions; Verizon Wireless, \$40.01, Wireless router - Rubble Site; Mark Saylor, \$500.00, Family crisis lot rent assistance; City of Groton, \$169.08, Family crisis utility bill assistance; Dacotah Bank, \$2,933.65, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$50.00, HSA contributions; AFLAC, \$435.76, Employee insurance; Colonial Life, \$69.40, Employee insurance; Allied Benefit Systems, \$14,120.45, Employee insurance; Reliance Standard Life Insurance, \$88.10, Employee insurance; Branden Abeln, \$349.41, Med flex - final for 2024; SD Supplemental Retirement, \$290.00, Supplemental retirement; Dennis "Mike" Olson, \$557.10, Code enforcement services; Fire Safety First, LLC., \$29.76, Lens cleaner - City Shop; Core & Main, \$675.67, Sewer and drain tees, paving adapters - Sewer/Water Dept.; Colonial Research Chemical Corp., \$609.73, Deicer and toilet bowl cleaner - Multiple Depts. ; Altec Industries, Inc., \$3,298.70, Annual bucket truck testing - Electric Dept.; Irby, Inc., \$169.20, Round padlocks - Electric Dept.; House of Glass, Inc., \$7.25, Plexiglass - Sewer Dept.; Dahme Construction, \$85,502.08, Sanitary sewer improvements project - 1st Ave/4th St & 2nd Ave/5th St; SD Department of Health, \$30.00, Water testing; VESTIS, \$67.26, Rug rent - City Hall; Runnings, \$129.99, Utility box - Electric Dept.; Team Lab Chemical Corp., \$1,013.00, Road patch - Street Dept.; MTI Distributing Co., \$381.30, Irrigation solenoid and sprinkler heads - Water Dept.; Groton Ford, LLC, \$104.00, Wheel cover - Street Dept.; Jesse Anderson, \$14.00, Meal Reimbursement - Stabilization Pond Workshop on 10/22/24; Branden Abeln, \$14.00, Meal Reimbursement - Stabilization Pond Workshop on 10/22/24; NW Energy, \$11.27, Natural gas service - PD Generator; SDPAA, \$84,565.77, Policy renewal for 2025; SDML Workers Compensation Fund, \$24,398.00, Work comp policy renewal for 2025; US Bank, \$660.00, 2015 refinance bond administrative fees; J's Superior Cleaning, \$200.00, Commercial cleaning services - City Hall; A&B Business Solutions, \$378.66, Printer lease - City Hall; Farm Tire Service, LLC, \$640.00, Truck tire repairs - Street Dept.; Badger Meter, \$155.66, Cellular service fee - Water Dept.; Dollar General, \$63.60, Cleaning supplies, paper towels, tissues, bandaids, bottled water - Multiple Depts. ; S&S Lumber Co, \$575.88, Gasket maker, washers, wiper fluid, grease gun, hose, steel bolts, safety clips, pins, nuts, plywood, receiver hitch, pin, ball, drill bits, packaging tape, antifreeze, spray foam, expanding plug, batteries, garden hose end, chain connectors, spray paint, wire stripper, bulbs, downspout elbow - Multiple Depts. ; Drew Johnson, \$700.00, Legal services - October 2024;

Announcement: City Offices will be closed on November 11, 2024, for Veteran's Day

Varin and Shilhanek exited the meeting.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Bahr to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal matters 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 8:35pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 9:42pm.

Varin reentered the meeting.

The first reading of Ordinance No. 782 – 2025 Salaries was approved on a motion by Wells and seconded by Nehls. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Cutler to adjourn the meeting at 9:45pm. All members present voted aye.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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### NOTICE OF APPEAL HEARING

The Groton City Council will be holding a public hearing on December 3, 2024, at 7:00pm CDT at City Hall, 120 N Main Street, Groton, SD for the appeal of the Groton Planning and Zoning Commission's decision on November 14, 2024, to deny Larry and Kathy Harry a special exception of Part 16, Section 16.0103 of the Groton Zoning Ordinance. The denied application was to allow a secondary structure to be on a separate lot in a Residential (R1) District at 906 N 2nd Street, legally described as Lots 1-2, Block 23, Randalls Addition, City of Groton, Brown County, South Dakota.

Any person wishing to present testimony for or against this appeal may appear in person or by representative at the above time and place.

Douglas Heinrich  
Zoning Administrator

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### ORDINANCE NO. 782

An Ordinance entitled "The 2025 Salary Ordinance" to amend Ordinance No. 772, being an ordinance regulating the salaries of the elective and appointive officers and employees of the City of Groton.

BE IT ORDAINED BY The City Council of the City of Groton that the 2025 salaries and time of payment are as follows for the elected and appointed officers

and employees:

Mayor: \$625.00, Monthly

Council Members: \$3,000.00 Yearly, \$125.00 Per special City Council Meeting

Board of Equalization: \$200.00, Yearly

Planning & Zoning Commission: \$35.00, Per meeting

Planning & Zoning Commission: \$70.00, Per special meeting

Elected Officials: \$300.00, Per full day of additional authorized meetings

Elected Officials: \$100.00, Per half day of additional authorized meetings

Finance Officer: \$32.00, Hourly

Deputy Finance Officer: \$30.28, Hourly

Asst Finance Officer: \$25.05, Hourly

Public Works Coordinator, St & Water Supt.: \$38.69, Hourly

Wastewater Superintendent: \$34.58, Hourly

Asst Street Superintendent: \$32.13, Hourly

Public Works Laborer: \$31.35, Hourly

Public works on call: \$200.00, Weekly

Technology Specialist: \$33.84, Hourly

Electric Superintendent: \$59.66, Hourly

Electric Lineman: \$43.92, Hourly

Electric Department on call: \$200.00, Weekly

Police Chief: \$37.93, Hourly

Police Officer & Assistant Chief: \$34.54, Hourly

Police Officer Level 1: \$32.28, Hourly

Police Officer Level 2: \$31.52, Hourly

Full time permanent employee individual health insurance premium will be covered by the City of Groton, along with \$300 per month toward a dependent's insurance coverage provided by the City.

The city will contribute to a med flex account at a 2 to 1 city/employee match, with a maximum city contribution of \$400.

The city will contribute \$2 for every \$1 the employee contributes up to \$1000 to their health savings account under the HSA health insurance option only.

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ORDINANCE NO. 780

2025 APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

Be it ordained by the city of Groton that the following sums are appropriated to meet the obligations of the municipality.

	General Fund	Gross Rec Tax (BBB)	Airport Fund	Fam Crisis	Debt Service	Total
<b>Governmental Funds</b>						
410 General Government .....						
411 Legislative .....	25,900.00					25,900.00
411.5 Contingency.....	50,000.00					50,000.00
412 Executive.....	9,000.00					9,000.00
413 Elections.....	1,450.00					1,450.00
414 Financial Administration .....	408,485.00					408,485.00
419 Other .....	38,750.00					38,750.00
Total General Government.....	\$533,585.00					\$533,585.00
420 Public Safety						
421 Police .....	465,350.00					465,350.00
423 Building Inspection.....	10,000.00					10,000.00
429 Other Inspection .....	500.00					500.00
Total Public Safety .....	\$475,850.00					\$475,850.00
430 Public Works						
431 Highways and Streets.....	431,975.00					431,975.00
432 Weed Control.....	2,750.00					2,750.00
435 Airport.....			31,700.00			31,700.00
437 Cemeteries .....	14,150.00					14,150.00
439 Transit.....	2,500.00					2,500.00
Total Public Works .....	\$451,375.00		31,700.00			\$483,075.00
440 Health and Welfare						
441 Health .....	5,500.00			1,650.00		7,150.00
Total Health and Welfare.....	\$5,500.00			1,650.00		\$7,150.00
450 Culture and Recreation						
451 Recreation:.....						317,325.00
Skating.....	7,300.00					
Soccer.....	1,500.00					
Swimming Pool .....	145,950.00					
Golf						
Basketball.....	250.00					
Tennis .....	250.00					
Baseball .....	162,075.00					
452 Parks.....	28,020.00					28,020.00
455 Libraries .....	10,750.00					10,750.00
456 Community Center .....	6,750.00					6,750.00
Total Culture and Recreation.....	\$362,845.00					\$362,845.00
465 Economic Development and Assistance.....	23,570.00					23,570.00
Total Conservation and Development ..	\$23,570.00					\$23,570.00
470 Debt Service Refinance						
471 Principal .....				150,000.00		150,000.00
472 Interest .....				87,500.00		87,500.00
Total Debt Service .....				\$237,500.00		\$237,500.00
480 Intergovernmental Expenditures						
490 Miscellaneous						
499 Liquor licenses						
Total Miscellaneous						
510 Other Financing Uses						
511 Operating Transfer--Out.....						-
Total 2025 Appropriations .....	\$1,852,725.00		\$31,700.00	\$1,650.00	\$237,500.00	\$2,123,575.00
Total Appropriations and Accumulations .....	\$1,852,725.00		\$31,700.00	\$1,650.00	\$237,500.00	\$2,123,575.00

Note 1: The amounts shown here should not reflect accumulations to-date nor should it reflect the total to be accumulated. It should only report the amount to be accumulated in the budget year that you are working on.

Part II (9-22-1)  
(9-21-19)  
(9-21-20)

The following designates the fund or funds that money derived from the following sources is applied to.

	General Fund	Gross Rec Tax (BBB)	Airport Fund	Fam Crisis	Debt Service	Total
<b>Governmental Funds</b>						
Unassigned Fund Balance.....	137,681.00		8,200.00		228,550.00	374,431.00
310 Taxes .....	1,428,500.00	30,000.00				1,458,500.00
320 Licenses and Permits .....	18,500.00					18,500.00
330 Intergovernmental Revenue...	105,289.00					105,289.00
340 Charges for Goods and Services	118,605.00					118,605.00
350 Fines and Forfeits.....	300.00					300.00
360 Miscellaneous Revenue.....	15,500.00				8,950.00	24,450.00
390 Other Sources.....			23,500.00			23,500.00
Total Means of Finance .....	\$1,824,375.00	\$30,000.00	\$31,700.00	\$-	\$237,500.00	\$2,123,575.00
<b>Proprietary and Fiduciary Funds</b>						

Beginning Unrestricted Cash				
Estimated Revenue .....	1,865,150.00	553,300.00	301,100.00	137,350.00
Transfer In				
Other Financing Sources				
TOTAL AVAILABLE .....	1,865,150.00	553,300.00	301,100.00	137,350.00
Less Appropriations (Expenses).....	1,961,500.00	346,250.00	241,300.00	134,400.00
Less Debt Service .....		86,000.00		
Less Transfer Out				
ESTIMATED NET POSITION RETAINED .....	\$(96,350.00)	\$121,050.00	\$59,800.00	\$2,950.00

The finance officer is directed to certify the following dollar amount of tax levies made in this ordinance to the County Auditor. The amount of tax levy request is \$563,748, and the amount of opt out request is \$230,000. The total request being \$793,748.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor  
Douglas J. Heinrich, Finance Officer  
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**ORDINANCE NO. 781**  
**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GROTON, SOUTH DAKOTA, TO ADOPT A BUDGET BILLING PROGRAM FOR UTILITY SERVICES FOR GROTON MUNICIPAL UTILITIES CUSTOMERS.**  
**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GROTON, SOUTH DAKOTA, THAT:**

**8-1-15 Budget Pay Plan**

**Section 1. Budget Billing Program.**

Residential (single-family or multi-family) utility customers, desiring to equalize their utility payments through the year using an estimate based on the previous twelve (12) consecutive months usage, may apply for participation in the Budget Billing Program. Customers remain fully responsible for the full account balance based on actual usage. Customers desiring to apply for the Budget Billing Program must do so by contacting the City of Groton’s utility billing personnel. Application shall I be made on a form furnished by the City of Groton. All other provisions of Chapter 8-1 shall remain in full force and effect.

**Section 2. Duration of Budget Billing Program and Renewal.**

The duration of the Budget Billing Program shall be for a period of twelve (12) consecutive months and shall be reviewed, recalculated, and renewed annually at a time determined by the City as outlined in Section 4. Method of Payment Calculation.

**Section 3. Eligibility Requirements - Initial enrollment, enrollment renewal & enrollment continuation.**

To qualify for enrollment and continued participation in the Budget Billing Program, customers must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- a) The customer must be a residential, single and/or multi-family unit utility customer; however, multi-family units must have two dwellings or less.
- b) The customer must have a twelve (12) consecutive month billing history for the subject property prior to initial enrollment.
- c) The customer must have a current account at the time of application.
- d) The customer must pay any outstanding balance accrued during the previous period at the time of renewal to continue enrollment in the Budget Billing Program.
- e) Any credit balance will be included in the recalculation of the budget agreement.
- f) The customer must have zero late fees on their account within the immediately preceding twelve (12) month period.
- g) The customer must not have any payments returned for insufficient funds within the preceding twelve (12) month period at the time of enrollment.
- h) The customer must be the owner of the subject property.
- i) Lessees of the property shall not be eligible for participation in the program, unless approved by property owner.
- j) Commercial and business customers shall not be eligible for participation in the program.
- k) Customers involuntarily removed from the program are ineligible to participate for a period of twelve (12) consecutive months, at which time enrollment can be reconsidered if all other requirements are met.

**Section 4. Method of Payment Calculation.**

The City shall calculate the customer’s monthly payment at enrollment based on the average usage of metered services of the immediately preceding twelve (12) month period. Usage-based and fixed

charges shall be assessed at the rates in place on date of calculation. The customer may request the calculation prior to enrollment for the purpose of determining whether to enroll. The acceptance of the minimum budget payment as calculated by the City, or a greater amount as specified by the customer, shall be required as monthly payment amount, and said payment amount shall become binding until recalculated annually at a time determined by the City.

**Section 5. Late Fees & Delinquent Accounts**

Each monthly payment under the Budget Payment Plan must be paid by the 25th of the month. Late fee provisions and their applicability, shall apply to customers enrolled in the Budget Billing Program. In the event a customer is involuntarily terminated from the program as defined in Section 6, the full account balance will be due with the next utility bill to avoid disconnection of services. The customer will not be eligible for reenrollment in the program for a period of twelve (12) months from the date of delinquency, provided all other terms for participation are met.

**Section 6. Termination of Participation in Budget Billing Program.**

At the time of termination from the program, whether voluntary or involuntary, the balance of the utility account becomes due with the next utility bill. The customer remains responsible for the full account balance based on actual usage.

Voluntary termination of participation in the Budget Billing Program, shall occur at the written request of the participant in the program.

Involuntary termination of participation in the Budget Billing Program shall occur when any one of the following instance(s)/conditions have been met:

- a) When the ownership of the property or utility account changes;
- b) When customer ceases to be a Groton Municipal Utilities customer;
- c) When one (1) occurrence of late payments occur within a twelve (12) month period;
- d) When one (1) returned payment is received;
- e) When (1) non-sufficient payment is made;
- f) When services are disconnected due to delinquency.

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Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Attest

Douglas J. Heinrich, Finance Officer

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**Notice of Public Hearing for the City of Groton Wastewater Improvement Project**  
The City of Groton is proposing to replace one of the lift stations, adding a new force main to the lagoon and adding on a new wastewater cell and wetlands to the lagoon in the city. The City will be submitting a Clean Water Facilities Funding Application in an amount up to \$6,587,000 to the Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources. The funding may be awarded in the form of a grant, loan, or a principal forgiveness loan; any portion of the loan that is not forgiven will have a term of up to 30 years at a rate of up to 5.0%. The amount and source of funds will be determined by the Board of Water and Natural Resources when the application is presented at a scheduled board meeting. The purpose of the public hearing is to discuss the proposed project, the proposed financing, and the source of repayment for the loan. The public is invited to attend and comment on the project.

The public hearing will be held at the City Hall @ 7:00pm on December 17, 2024.

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December 3, 2024

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at 120 N Main Street for their first monthly meeting with the following members present: Babcock, Wells, Cutler, Bahr, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were Attorney Drew Johnson, Douglas Heinrich, Elizabeth Varin, Terry Herron, Paul Kosel, Doug Hamilton, Dwight Zerr, Kathy Harry, and Larry Harry.

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Cutler to approve the agenda with one change of switching agenda items 4 and 5. All members present voted aye.

Public comments were welcomed pursuant to SDCL 1-25-1. Doug Hamilton addressed the council regarding public comments from the previous meeting that discussed assisting Hecla with their electric department.

The appeal from Larry and Kathy Harry was presented regarding the decision of the Groton Planning and Zoning Commission on November 14, 2024, to deny the special exception allowing a secondary structure to be constructed prior to the primary structure at 906 N 2nd Street. Moved by Bahr and seconded by Babcock to affirm the decision reached by the Groton Planning and Zoning Commission to deny the special exception. Bahr and Babcock voted aye. Cutler and Wells voted nay. Due to a 2-2 tie with recorded votes, Mayor Hanlon voted aye to break the tie. Motion passes.

Larry and Kathy Harry exited the meeting.

Department reports were reviewed and discussed. Mayor advised that Groton Police will begin ticketing vehicles parked on the city streets and avenues during the snow season that are not moved within twenty-four hours after the snow plow has passed, as per Ordinance No. 10-3-6.

Herron and Zerr exited the meeting.

Electric and water metering options were discussed.

Kosel exited the meeting.

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Cutler to reappoint Les Hinds for a 5-year term as a Planning and Zoning Representative. All members present voted aye.

Hamilton exited the meeting.

The first reading of Ordinance No. 783 – Supplemental Appropriation #2 was approved on a motion by Babcock and seconded by Bahr. All members present voted aye.

The 2025 Northeast Council of Governments (NECOG) joint cooperative agreement was approved on a motion by Babcock and seconded by Wells. All members present voted aye.

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved on a motion by Wells and seconded by Cutler. All members present voted aye.

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

Payroll, \$31,678.61, Employee salaries; Executive, \$947.11, ; Administrative, \$4,743.83, ; Public Safety, \$11,603.59, ; Public Works, \$14,384.08, ; Dacotah Bank, \$6,308.53, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$647.90, HSA contributions; Dakotaland FCU, \$730.00, Employee savings; Dacotah Bank, \$4,171.67, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$50.00, HSA contributions; Aflac, \$435.76, Employee insurance; Allied Benefit Systems, \$14,120.45, Employee insurance; Reliance Standard Life Insurance, \$88.10, Employee insurance; Colonial Life, \$69.40, Employee insurance; US Bank, \$170,000.00, 2015 Refinance Loan payment; US Bank, \$21,426.46, DW-05 Loan payment; US Bank, \$6,734.43, DW-06 Loan payment; SD Supplemental Retirement, \$290.00, Supplemental retirement; Auto Value Aberdeen, \$58.64, Oil filter - Street Dept.; Pipe Detectives, \$35,259.52, Cleaning and televising of sanitary sewer; Groton BB//SB Foundation, \$8,736.76, 2024 split gate; SPS Works, \$130.91, 2025 dog license tags; IT Outlet, \$845.00, City Hall router security - 3 years; The Groton Independent, \$9.81, Publishing fees; Verizon Wireless, \$40.01, Wireless router - Rubble Site; SD Department of Health, \$144.00, Water/ sewer testing; Locators & Supplies, Inc., \$266.99, Red flags and marking paint - Electric Dept.; Locke Electric, Inc., \$306.75, Generator service - Aspen Lift Station; Carly Gilbert, \$475.00, Lifeguard/WSI training reimbursement - Swimming Pool; SD Assoc. of Rural Water Systems, \$615.00, Class B member annual dues; Banyon Data Systems, \$595.00, Annual POS Support for 2025; NW Energy, \$11.61, Natural gas services - PD; MMUA, \$540.00, 2025 associate member dues; Irby, Inc., \$351.30, Glove/ sleeve testing, fr jeans - Electric Dept.; Core & Main, \$124.11, Joint coupling, insert - Water Dept.; RDO Equipment Co., \$759.24, Blades - Street Dept.; Menards, \$76.97, Metal cutoff kit, on-demand torch, digital meter - Various Depts.; Farmers Union Co-op Assoc., \$1,580.00, No. 1 diesel fuel - Street Dept.; Share Corporation, \$293.44, Vehicle cleaning products - City Shop; Metering & Technology Solutions, \$1,841.10, Water meter endpoints x10; Northern Truck Equipment Co., \$269.76, Spinner plate - Street

Dept.; Jerica Locke, \$475.00, Lifeguard/WSI training reimbursement - Swimming Pool; April Abeln, \$120.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement - Sept. thru Dec. of 2024; Kellie Locke, \$146.80, Employee cell phone reimbursement - Sept. thru Dec. of 2024; mileage reimbursement - DPM Groton Exhibit in Aberdeen; Douglas Heinrich, \$120.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement - Sept. thru Dec. of 2024; Branden Abeln, \$120.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement - Sept. thru Dec. of 2024; Paul Kosel, \$120.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement - Sept. thru Dec. of 2024; Landon Johnson, \$120.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement - Sept. thru Dec. of 2024; Jesse Anderson, \$120.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement - Sept. thru Dec. of 2024; Groton Chamber of Commerce, \$1,400.00, Employee Christmas Chamber Bucks; S&S Lumber, \$1,014.14, Extension cord, glass cleaner, razor blades, screws, sprayer, re-bar, gloves, steel elbows, spray paint, antifreeze, re-bar chairs, penetrating oil, fluorescent bulbs, PVC elbow, hose clamps, markers, duct tape, putty knife - Multiple Depts. ; Dollar General, \$15.00, Bottled water - City Shop; Drew Johnson, \$950.00, Legal services - November 2024; WESCO Distribution, \$5,262.45, Temporary power restoration device - Electric Dept.

Announcement: City Offices closed on December 23rd, 24th, and 25th for Christmas.

Reminder: Holiday Lighting Contest on December 19th. \$100, \$75, and \$50 utility bill credits to be given away.

Reminder: 2025 dog licenses are due by December 31, 2024.

Varin exited the meeting.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Wells to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal matters 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 8:35pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 8:56pm.

Varin reentered the meeting.

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Wells to hire the following skating rink applicants: Leah Jones, Addison Hoffman, Claire Schuelke, Sydney Locke, Abby Fjeldheim, and Jamie Mitchek. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Wells to adjourn the meeting at 8:57pm. All members present voted aye.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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**ORDINANCE NO. 783**

**2024 SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #2**

**SECTION I:: BE IT ORDAINED** by the City of Groton, South Dakota that the following sums are supplementally appropriated to meet the obligations of the City of Groton and shall be effective immediately following passage.

E 101-41920 General Gov't Buildings: \$8,357.00

E 101-42100 Police: \$14,000.00

E 101-43100 Streets: \$2,700.00

E 101-45130 General Baseball: \$8,800.00

**TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS: \$33,857.00**

**SOURCE OF FUNDING**

E 101-41110 City Council: \$2,500.00

E 101-41150 Contingency: \$4,646.00

E 101-41300 Elections: \$1,500.00

E 101-41410 Legal: \$4,500.00

E 101-41470 General Fin. Admin.: \$3,000.00

E 101-45123 Soccer: \$6,211.00:

Unassigned Fund Balance (Cash Applied): \$11,500.00

**TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCE: \$33,857.00:**

Dated at Groton, South Dakota this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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December 17, 2024

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at 120 N Main Street for their second monthly meeting with the following members present: Wambach, Wells, Cutler, Bahr, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were Attorney Drew Johnson, Douglas Heinrich, Elizabeth Varin, Dwight Zerr, Jordan Hintz, April Buller, Ken Hier, and Todd Gay.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Wambach to approve the agenda with no changes or additions. All members present voted aye.

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

The public hearing for the wastewater improvement project took place. Buller and Hier outlined the plans for the project and Hintz discussed funding scenarios.

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Bahr to approve Resolution No. 20244 authorizing an application for financial assistance, authorizing the execution and submittal of the application, and designating an authorized representative to certify and sign payment requests. All members present voted aye. Resolution No. 20244 reads as follows: WHEREAS, the City of Groton (the "City") has determined it is necessary to proceed with improvements to its Wastewater System, including but not limited to replace one of the lift stations, adding a new force main to the lagoon and adding on a new wastewater cell and wetlands to the lagoon in the city (the "Project"); and, WHEREAS, the City has determined 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 to certify and sign payment requests in the event financial assistance is awarded for the Project, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City as follows: 1. The City hereby approves the submission of an Application for financial assistance in an amount not to exceed \$6,587,000 to the South Dakota Board of Water and Natural Resources for the Project. 2. The Town President is hereby authorized 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. 3. The Town President is hereby designated as the authorized representative of the City to do all things on its behalf to certify and sign payment requests in the event financial assistance is awarded for the Project.

Buller, Hier, Hintz, and Zerr exited the meeting

Discussion took place regarding electric and water metering options. Gay will seek out a third metering option.

Gay exited the meeting.

The second reading of Ordinance No. 783 – Supplemental Appropriations No. 2 was approved on a motion by Bahr and seconded by Cutler. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Cutler to apply a 20% discount to the Legion reimbursement for 2024 baseball season. The adjusted amount is \$9,369.14. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Wells to deny the request from BNSF to close the railroad crossing at East Aspen Avenue. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Wambach to authorize the cash fund transfer of \$250,000 to the Debt Service Fund from the Electric Fund. All members present voted aye.

The loss recap from SDPAA regarding the hail damaged buildings was reviewed. Moved by Bahr and seconded by Wells to authorize the signing of the proof of loss. All members present voted aye.

The November finance report was approved on a motion by Cutler and seconded by Wells. All members present voted aye.

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

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

Payroll, \$30,008.33, Employee salaries; Administrative, \$4,743.83, ; Public Safety, \$10,893.91, ; Public Works, \$14,370.59, ; Dwight Zerr, \$85.71, Med flex; SD Retirement System, \$11,785.92, Employee retirement; Dacotah Bank, \$6,322.00, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dakotaland FCU, \$730.00, Employee savings; Dacotah Bank, \$647.90, HSA contributions; USPS, \$386.40, Utility billing postage; WEB Water, \$20,748.39, Water services - November 2024; City of Groton, \$95.78, Utility deposit applied to bill; Open Heaven, LLC, \$154.22, Utility deposit refund; Dale & Sandra Carr, \$159.60, Utility deposit/overpayment refund; Payment Service Network, Inc., \$205.50, PSN gateway & eBill fees; Dacotah Bank, \$3,569.75,

Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$50.00, HSA contributions; SD State Treasurer, \$7,796.98, Sales and Excise Tax for November 2024; SD Supplemental Retirement, \$290.00, Supplemental retirement; WAPA, \$23,703.66, Power services - November 2024; Heartland Energy, \$53,129.76, Power services - November 2024; The Groton Independent, \$374.90, Publishing fees; A&B Business Solutions, \$378.66, Printer lease - City Hall; J's Superior Cleaning, \$200.00, Commercial cleaning services - City Hall; Darrels LLC, \$75.90, Tire repair and fuel filter - Electric & Street Dept.; Badger Meter, \$154.70, Cellular service fee - Water Metering; Galls, LLC, \$186.85, Flashlight batteries, gloves, boots - Police Dept.; Heartland Waste Management, \$10,204.32, Garbage hauling; Chris & Dan's Tarp & Canvas Repair, \$240.00, Repair to umbrella - Swimming Pool; Greg's Repair, \$536.85, x3 batteries - City Shop; Altec Capital Services, LLC, \$2,189.93, Digger truck lease; Dacotah Bank Visa, \$1,240.44, Funnel, christmas tree supplies, yearly planners, sewer sample postage, water sample postage, transformer oil sample postage, family fun fest supplies, aluminum adapter, Office 365 fee, pizza for Cleveland's 20yr anniversary, fuel purchases, hands free clip for power drill - Multiple Depts. ; Weber Landscaping, \$239.63, Excavator rental on 12/12/24 - Electric Dept.; Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc., \$111.61, Cylinder of weld mix - City Shop; Schwan Welding & Boiler Repair, \$720.00, (4) posts for soccer gate; T&R Electric Supply Co, Inc., \$55,433.50, New transformers - Electric Dept.; Vestis, \$67.26, Rug rent - City Hall; Alternative Technologies, Inc., \$137.50, Oil testing - Electric Dept.; AutoZone, Inc., \$226.41, Oil and oil filters - City Shop; Dennis "Mike" Olson, \$477.46, Code enforcement services - 11/1/24 thru 12/16/24; NW Energy, \$9.68, Natural gas service - water tower; Dan Richardt, \$100.00, Reimbursement for Santa Day at PMS; Ken's Fair Foods, \$190.75, Fuel purchases, baking supplies for Tour of Trees - Multiple Depts.; MJ's Sinclair, \$1,489.27, Fuel purchases - Multiple Depts. ; James Valley Telecommunications, \$794.94, Telephone and internet services;

Announcement: City offices will be closed on January 1st, 2025, for New Years Day.

Reminder: Holiday Lighting Contest on December 19th at 7:00pm. \$100, \$75, and \$50 bill credits to be given away.

Reminder: 2025 dog licenses are due by December 31st, 2024.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Bahr to authorize Landon Johnson to attend Joint Utility Training School in Sioux Falls, South Dakota on January 21st through January 23rd, 2025. All members present voted aye.

Varin exited the meeting.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Wambach to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal matters 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 8:53pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 9:12pm.

Varin reentered the meeting.

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Cutler to promote Leah Jones to Skating Rink Manager at a wage of \$12.75 per hour plus \$250 per month. Skating Rink Attendants will have a wage of \$11.50 per hour plus \$.25 per year of experience. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Wells to adjourn the meeting at 9:15pm. All members present voted aye.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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# 2025 Notices



## INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT The Groton City Council of the City of Groton, South Dakota, will open bids for the 2025 roof repairs on February 4, 2025, at 7:00pm at City Hall, 120 N Main Street, Groton, SD. Received sealed bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The work on this project includes roof repairs at the following locations:

- Main Pump House, 10 E Railroad Avenue
- Cemetery Repair Shop, 1509 N Broadway
- Police Department, 209 N Main Street
- City Shop, 10 E Railroad Avenue
- Community Center, 109 N 3rd Street
- Park Restrooms, 802 N 3rd Street
- Picnic Shelter at Park, 802 N 3rd Street
- Swimming Pool Bathhouse, 228 E 11th Avenue
- Gazebo at Swimming Pool, 228 E 11th Avenue
- Storage Shed at Swimming Pool, 228 E 11th Avenue
- City Hall/Wage Memorial Library, 120 N Main Street

All work areas are located within the City limits of Groton, SD.

Plans and specifications may be examined at the following locations:  
City Hall, 120 N Main Street, Groton, SD

Questions or requests for further information should be directed to the City Finance Office, 605-397-8422, PO Box 587, Groton, SD 57445.

The City reserves the right to refuse any or all bids, to waive any informalities in the bidding and to award the contract in the best interests of the City of Groton, SD.

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January 7, 2025

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at 120 N Main Street for their first monthly meeting with the following members present: Bahr, Nehls, Babcock, Cutler, Wambach, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were Attorney Drew Johnson, Douglas Heinrich, Todd Gay, Dwight Zerr, Elizabeth Varin.

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Nehls to approve the agenda with the change of removing agenda item no. 3. All members present voted aye.

Public comments were welcomed pursuant to SDCL 1-25-1. Elizabeth Varin provided an invite to Groton Development Corporation's meeting on January 16, 2025, at the Groton American Legion.

Department reports were reviewed and discussed.

Delinquent utility bill notices were discussed.

Zerr and Gay exited the meeting.

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Cutler to adjust the skating rink rules to be closed when wind chill is -20 or below and remove the 2 inches or more of snow provision. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Wambach to authorize bidding to begin for 2025 city roof repairs. Sealed bids are to be opened on February 4th, 2025, at 7:00pm. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Babcock to approve the employee salaries and volunteer list. All members present voted aye. Pursuant to SDCL 6-1-10, the list of employee salaries and volunteers is as follows: Scott Hanlon - \$625/month, \$125/special meeting, \$300/full-day meeting, \$100/half-day meeting. Board of Equalization - \$200/year. Council Members: Brian Bahr, Karyn Babcock, Shirley Wells, Jon Cutler, Kevin Nehls, and Jason Wambach - \$3,000/year, \$125/special meeting, \$300/full-day meeting, \$100/half-day meeting. Planning and Zoning Commission - \$35/meeting, \$70/special meeting. Finance Officer, Douglas Heinrich - \$32/hour. Deputy Finance Officer, April Abeln - \$30.28/hour. Assistant Finance Officer, Kellie Locke - \$25.05/hour. Public Works Coordinator, Street/Water Superintendent, Terry Herron - \$38.69/hour. Wastewater Superintendent, Dwight Zerr - \$34.58/hour. Assistant Street Superintendent, Branden Abeln - \$32.13/hour. Public Works Laborer, Jesse Anderson - \$31.35/hour. Technology Specialist, Paul Kosel - \$33.84/hour. Electric Superintendent, Todd Gay - \$59.66/hour. Electric Lineman, Landon Johnson - \$43.92/hour. Police Chief, Stacy Mayou - \$37.93/hour. Police Officer and Assistant Chief, Justin Cleveland - \$34.54/hour. Police Officer Level 1, Thomas Strickland - \$32.28/hour. Police Officer Level 2, Benjamin Smith - \$31.52/hour. A complete list of volunteers will be kept at City Hall.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Bahr to approve the 2025 fee schedule. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Nehls to approve the municipal election date as April 8, 2025. All members present voted aye. The following individuals have terms ending: Scott Hanlon – Mayor, Kevin Nehls – Ward 1, Shirley Wells – Ward 2, and Karyn Babcock – Ward 3.

The first reading of Ordinance No. 784 – Water Rates was approved on a motion by Nehls and seconded by Wambach. All members present voted aye.

The first reading of Ordinance No. 785 – Sewer Rates was approved on a motion by Cutler and seconded by Bahr. All members present voted aye.

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

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

Payroll, \$51,851.15, Employee salaries; Executive, \$559.27, ; Culture and Recreation , \$581.71, ; Administrative, \$9,492.85, ; Public Safety, \$11,803.92, ; Public Works, \$29,413.40, ; Dacotah Bank, \$6,329.91, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dakotaland FCU, \$450.00, Employee savings; Dacotah Bank, \$647.90, HSA contributions; Stacy Mayou, \$66.26, Med flex - final for 2024; City of Groton, \$225.00, Holiday Lighting Contest prizes - Kappes, Stanley, Kenny; Verizon Wireless, \$40.01, Wireless router - Rubble Site; Dacotah Bank, \$4,040.63, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$50.00, HSA contributions; Aflac, \$435.76, Employee insurance; Colonial Life, \$69.40, Employee insurance; Allied Benefit Systems, \$14,403.02, Employee insurance; Reliance Standard Life Insurance, \$88.10, Employee insur-

ance; April Abeln, \$31.95, Med flex; Dacotah Bank, \$6,393.99, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dakotaland FCU, \$450.00, Employee savings; Dacotah Bank, \$810.41, HSA contributions; Dwight Zerr, \$81.32, Med flex - final for 2024; SD State Retirement, \$11,937.28, Employee retirement; Payment Service Network, Inc., \$205.50, PSN Gateway and eBill fees; Stacy Mayou, \$155.20, Med flex; Douglas Heinrich, \$82.85, Med flex; SD Supplemental Retirement, \$390.00, Supplemental retirement; SD Retailers Association, \$195.00, Membership dues for 2025; A&B Business Solutions, \$378.66, Printer lease - City Hall; Auto-Zone, Inc., \$31.37, Agri filters for road grader, oil filters - City Shop; Colonial Research Chemical Corp., \$325.89, Ice melt; April Abeln, \$26.80, Mileage reimbursement - Aberdeen, SD to takedown tree at Dakota Prairie Museum; NW Energy, \$12.28, Natural gas service - PD; Badger Meter, \$163.70, Cellular service fee - Water Metering; Krueger Brothers, \$8,019.40, Crushed gravel - Street Dept.; SD DANR, \$1,500.00, Annual discharge permit; Apptegy, Inc., \$8,900.00, Annual fee for city website and alerts system; Glenn Bitz, \$150.00, Commercial window cleaning - City Hall; SD Department of Health, \$244.00, Water/wastewater testing; Jerry's Electric, Inc., \$73,780.00, x8 padmount transformers - Electric Dept.; Cannon Technologies (Eaton), \$4,770.00, Annual metering/LM support (Yukon) - Electric Dept.; Avera Occupational Medicine, \$135.00, Employee drug/alcohol screening fees; Dakota Resources, \$136.62, Mileage reimbursement for GDC Sessions 4-7; Dennis "Mike" Olson, \$2,500.00, 2025 code enforcement retainer fee; Colliers Securities, \$300.00, Annual fee for CD services; Northeast Council of Governments, \$1,777.30, 2025 dues; J's Superior Cleaning, \$200.00, Commercial cleaning services - City Hall; The Groton Independent, \$182.35, Publishing costs; Dollar General, \$31.85, Toilet paper, garbage bags, cleaning supplies, toilet bowl cleaner - Multiple Depts.; Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc., \$209.96, Cylinder lease x2 - City Shop; Drew Johnson, \$900.00, Legal services - December 2024; RDO Equipment Co., \$504.97, Blades and filters - Street Dept.; Ken's Fair Foods, \$464.95, Fuel purchases, coffee, foam cups, bottled water, paper towels, cocoa mix - Multiple Depts. ; OverDrive, \$600.00, Annual fee for Libby - Library; S&S Lumber Co., \$244.05, Keypad doorlock, floor dry, casing, ice melt, new key, batteries, air ends, light bulb - Multiple Depts. ;

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Cutler to begin accepting applications for the following summer recreational positions: Baseball Coordinator, Softball Coordinator, Legion Coach, Jr. Legion Coach, Jr. Teener Coach, Girls' Softball Coaches (U8/U10/U12/U14), Day Baseball/Softball Coach, Concessions Manager, and Swimming Pool Manager. All members present voted aye.

Varin exited the meeting.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Nehls to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal matters 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 8:00pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 8:39pm.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Wells to adjourn the meeting at 8:41pm. All members present voted aye.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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#### NOTICE OF VACANCY MUNICIPALITY OF GROTON

The following offices will become vacant due to the expiration of the present term of office of the elected officer.

Scott Hanlon – Mayor – 3-year term

Kevin Nehls – Councilperson Ward 1 – 1-year term

Shirley Wells – Councilperson Ward 2 – 2-year term

Karyn Babcock – Councilperson Ward 3 – 2-year term

Circulation of nominating petitions may begin on January 31st, 2025, and petitions may be filed at City Hall located at 120 N Main St., Groton, SD between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. central standard time not later than the 28th day of February, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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**ORDINANCE NO. 784**

An Ordinance entitled "Amending Rates for Groton Municipal Utility Customers" to be effective February 1, 2025.

Be it ordained by the City of Groton, South Dakota that Ordinance No. 8-1-4 be amended to read as follows:  
8-1-4 Rates.

Rates for the use of utilities furnished by the City shall be established by Ordinance by the Groton City Council.

**Section 4. Water Rates:**

The schedule of rates governing Residential or General Service Consumers of water in the City of Groton which follows is to be used for billing on a monthly basis throughout each year. Each water service is figured independently from any other water service at each customer's location.

**a. Residential and General Service Water Customers**

Meter Charge: \$9.62 plus

Minimum charge: \$23.65 per month which includes 0-2,000 gallons

Anything over 2,000 gallons \$8.35 per 1,000 gallons

Plus, Water Surcharge: \$11.50 per customer who receives or benefits from the new water tower (this surcharge is to be implemented whether or not the water is capped, to be removed in July of 2049)

Plus, Water Surcharge: \$7.85 per customer who receives or benefits from the water system (this surcharge is to be implemented whether or not the water is capped, to be removed in July of 2051).

Residents who qualify for Section 4c are not required to pay this surcharge.

**b. Bulk water rate: \$25.00 per 1000 gallons**

**c. Residential Low-Income Discount**

A \$9.62 per month discount will be allowed on the meter charge of residential consumers for a period of 12 months (from January to December) if the consumer provides proof that the family is eligible to receive low-income fuel assistance (LIEAP).

d. Residential or General Service consumers found to be using unmetered water furnished by the City of Groton water system shall be disconnected until a meter is installed by the property owner.

Passed First Reading: 1/7/2025

Passed Second Reading:

Published:

Effective: 2/1/2025

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Attest:

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas J. Heinrich, Finance Officer



ORDINANCE NO. 785  
An Ordinance entitled "Amending Rates for Groton Municipal Utility Customers" to be effective February 1, 2025.  
Be it ordained by the City of Groton, South Dakota that Ordinance No. 8-1-4 be amended to read as follows:  
8-1-4 Rates.

Rates for the use of utilities furnished by the City shall be established by Ordinance by the Groton City Council.

Section 5. Sewer Rates:

Sewer fees will be based on the average water usage during October, November, December, January, February, March, and April. This charge will be discontinued only if the water line has been capped.

Minimum Bill (Connection Charge): \$20.00/month plus

Usage Charge: \$5.00/month per 1,000 gallons

Passed First Reading: 1/7/2025

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ATTEST:

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

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Douglas J. Heinrich, Finance Officer



January 21, 2025

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at 120 N Main Street for their second monthly meeting with the following members present: Bahr, Nehls, Babcock, Cutler, Wambach, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were Attorney Drew Johnson, Douglas Heinrich, and Elizabeth Varin.

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Wambach to approve the agenda with no

changes or additions. All members present voted aye.

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

No action was taken regarding airport discussion.

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Nehls to authorize the purchase of three new Bobcat lawnmowers through Flihs Sales and Service. All members present voted aye.

The December finance report was approved on a motion by Nehls and seconded by Cutler. All members present voted aye.

The second reading of Ordinance No. 784 – Water Rates was approved on a motion by Cutler and seconded by Babcock. All members present voted aye.

The second reading of Ordinance No. 785 – Sewer Rates was approved on a motion by Babcock and seconded by Wambach. All members present voted aye.

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

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

Payroll, \$30,317.53, Employee salaries; Administrative, \$5,065.64, ; Public Safety, \$9,364.47, ; Culture & Recreation, \$785.62, ; Public Works, \$15,101.80, ; Enrich Groton SoDak, Inc., \$40.00, Donation to The Pantry; USPS, \$388.08, Utility billing postage; Gary and Caralee Heitmann, \$54.10, Utility deposit/overpayment refund; Jamie Mitchek, \$384.57, Utility overpayment refund; Shawn & Jerrica Hulbert, \$241.92, Utility deposit refund; Kandace Jones, \$183.97, Utility deposit refund; City of Groton, \$74.11, Utility deposits applied to bills; SD State Treasurer, \$8,494.24, Sales and Excise Tax - December 2024; Dacotah Bank, \$3,019.40, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$100.00, HSA contributions; Stacy Mayou, \$302.00, Med flex; Dacotah Bank, \$6,753.69, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dakotaland FCU, \$450.00, Employee savings; Dacotah Bank, \$1,810.41, HSA contributions; WEB Water, \$21,861.89, Water services - December 2024; Kellie Locke, \$60.00, Med flex; SD Supplemental Retirement, \$290.00, Supplemental retirement; NW Energy, \$49.83, Natural gas service - Water tower; Runnings, \$32.98, Battery maintainer, gloves - Electric Dept.; RDO Equipment Co., \$718.69, Mower parts; Vestis, \$67.26, Rug rent - City Hall; Matheson Tri-Gas Inc., \$22.78, Cutting tip - City Shop; Addison Hoffman, \$220.00, Lifeguard training reimbursement - Swimming Pool; Avera Medical Group, \$80.00, Employee drug/alcohol screening fees; SD Department of Health, \$30.00, Water testing; IMEG Corp., \$3,750.00, Wastewater engineering report - final bill; McQuillen Creative Group, Inc., \$125.00, Aberdeen Insider subscription - Library/City Hall; Altec Capital Services, LLC, \$2,189.93, Digger truck lease - Electric Dept.; Team Lab Chemical Corp., \$1,032.00, Sewer chemicals; South Dakota 811, \$28.35, Message fees - October to December, 2024; Banyon Data Systems, Inc., \$2,790.00, Utility Billing, Fund Accounting, Payroll, and PSN Module support fee - City Hall; SD Municipal League, \$1,654.00, Annual membership dues; SD Human Resources Assoc., \$50.00, Annual membership dues; SD Gov't Finance Off. Assoc., \$100.00, Annual membership dues; SD Police Chiefs Association, \$200.00, Annual membership dues; SD Municipal Electric Assoc., \$1,297.00, Annual membership dues; Heartland Energy, \$61,450.67, Power services - December 2024; WAPA, \$26,695.81, Power services - December 2024; Heartland Waste Management, \$10,192.05, Garbage hauling; Justin Cleveland, \$119.00, Employee mileage reimbursement - training in Watertown, SD; Groton BB/SB Foundation, \$45,000.00, 2025 donation including portion for concessions project; Groton Chamber of Commerce, \$12,000.00, 2025 donation; Groton Development Corp., \$10,000.00, 2025 donation; Groton Community Transit, \$2,500.00, 2025 donation; Leidholdt Tool Sales, LLC., \$145.80, Large aluminum work platform - City Shop; MJ's Sinclair, Inc., \$1,086.18, Fuel purchases & wiper blades; James Valley Telecomm., \$871.00, Telephone and internet services; Dacotah Bank Visa, \$1,869.85, Torch, water sample postage, JUTS training fee, fuel purchases, office chairs, applicators license fees, coffee, creamer, journeyman lineman gear - Multiple Depts. ; Reminder: Applications are open for the following summer recreational positions: Baseball Coordinator, Softball Coordinator, Legion Coach, Jr. Legion Coach, Jr. Teener Coach, Girls' Softball Coaches (U8/U10/U12/U14), Day Baseball/Softball Coach, Concessions Manager, and Swimming Pool Manager.



Varin exited the meeting.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Bahr to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal matters 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 7:16pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 7:49pm.

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Wambach to adjourn the meeting at 7:50pm. All members present voted aye.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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#### NOTICE OF VARIANCE HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT The Groton Planning & Zoning Commission will be holding a public hearing on February 24, 2025, at 6:00pm CDT at City Hall, 120 N Main Street, Groton, SD for a variance of Chapter 9, Section 9.0106 of the Groton Zoning Ordinance. This application was made by Charles S. and Sandra L. Dresbach to build a garage within 5 feet of the west lot line in a Residential (R-1) District located at 716 N Main Street, Groton, SD, legally described as Lot 1-2 and N 30' Lot 3 Block 50 of the 2nd Addition, Groton, SD.

Any person wishing to present testimony for or against this variance may appear in person or by representative at the above time and place.

Doug Heinrich

Zoning Administrator

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#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE APPLICATION FOR SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR 2025

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT The Groton City Council on the 4th day of March, 2025 at the hour of 7:00pm in City Hall, 120 N Main St, Groton, South Dakota will meet in regular session to consider the following transfer applications for alcoholic beverage licenses to operate within the City of Groton, South Dakota for the 2025 licensing period, which has been presented to the governing body and filed on the Finance Office.

From: Darren and Lisa Locke, dba D & L Enterprises (COCOS), 2 W US Highway 12. Retail (On-Sale) Liquor.

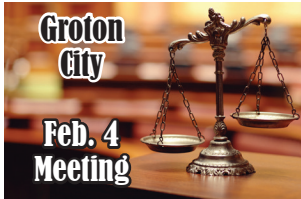
To: Keith Landwehr, dba American Grain LLC, 2 W US Highway 12. Retail (On-Sale) Liquor.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that any person, persons, or their representative may appear at said scheduled public hearing and present objections to any or all of the above applicants, if any objections there be.

Dated at Groton, South Dakota this 24th day of February, 2025.

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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February 4, 2025

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at 120 N Main Street for their first monthly meeting with the following members present: Wells, Cutler, Wambach, and President Bahr presiding. Also present were Attorney Drew Johnson, Douglas Heinrich, Elizabeth Varin, Taylor Oster, Wayne Olson, Zack Witte, Darrell Hillestad, Terry Herron, and Todd Gay.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Wambach to approve the agenda with change of removing agenda item 12 regarding the hiring of summer recreational employees. All members present voted aye.

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

Sealed bids were opened for the roof repairs. Moved by Cutler and seconded by Wambach to table the awarding of the bids until the next meeting. All members present voted aye.

Johnson, Oster, Olson, and Witte exited the meeting.

Darrell Hillestad discussed the airport and potential future plans.

Hillestad exited the meeting.

Department reports were reviewed and discussed.

Herron exited the meeting.

Equipment for the electric department was discussed. Moved by Cutler and seconded by Wambach to authorize the purchase of a 2022 Caterpillar 302-05A CR Excavator for \$40,000. All members present voted aye.

Gay exited the meeting.

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Wells to authorize the signing of the letter of commitment as a participant in the Brown County Multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. All members present voted aye.

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

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

Payroll, \$34,401.79, Employee salaries; , Executive, \$559.27, ; , Administrative, \$5,466.06, ; , Public Safety, \$10,493.84, ; , Public Works, \$16,927.08, ; , Culture & Recreation, \$955.54, ; , Douglas Heinrich, \$111.47, Med flex; , Scott Kettering, \$300.00, Heat pump rebate from Heartland Energy; , St. John's Lutheran Church, \$300.00, Heat pump rebate from Heartland Energy; , Dacotah Bank, \$7,499.29, Withholding/SS/Medicare; , Dakotaland FCU, \$450.00, Employee savings; , Dacotah Bank, \$3,504.52, Withholding/SS/Medicare; , Dacotah Bank, \$350.00, HSA contributions; , Reliance Standard Life Insurance, \$88.10, Employee insurance; , Aflac, \$435.76, Employee insurance; , Colonial Life, \$69.40, Employee insurance; , Allied Benefit Systems, \$14,403.02, Employee insurance; , SD Retirement System, \$15,031.84, Employee retirement; , Landon Johnson, \$305.60, Employee mileage/meal reimbursement - JUTS 2025 in Sioux Falls, SD; , Verizon Wireless, \$40.01, Wireless router - Rubble Site; , Dakota Pump & Control, \$2,486.74, Repairs at Olson Lift Station - Wastewater Dept.; , The Groton Independent, \$208.25, Publishing costs; , Harry Implement, Inc. , \$334.39, Hose and fittings - Street Dept. ; , SD Supplemental Retirement, \$290.00, Supplemental retirement; , NW Energy, \$13.55, Natural gas service - PD generator; , S&S Lumber Co., \$412.04, Hose clamps, screws, filter, lumber, antifreeze, washer fluid, flood bulbs, electric keypad lockset - Multiple Depts. ; , Dollar General, \$53.25, Foam cups, bottled water, paper towels, disinfectant spray - Multiple Depts.; , Galls, LLC, \$20.48, Knit cap - Police Dept.; , Badger Meter, Inc., \$163.70, Cellular service fee - Water Dept. ; , Drew Johnson, \$800.00, Legal services - January 2025; , Metering & Technology Solutions, \$817.20, 1" water meters - Water Dept.; , Ken's Fair Foods, \$429.79, Fuel, cocoa mix - Multiple Depts. ; , A&B Business Solutions, \$378.66, Printer lease - City Hall; J's Superior Cleaning, \$200.00, Commercial cleaning service - City Hall

Reminder: Applications are open for the following summer recreational positions: Baseball Coordinator, Softball Coordinator, Legion Coach, Jr. Legion Coach, Jr. Teener Coach, Girls' Softball Coaches (U8/U10/U12/U14), Day Baseball/Softball Coach, Concessions Manager, and Swimming Pool Manager.

Varin exited the meeting.

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Cutler to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal matters 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 8:11pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 8:48pm.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Wambach to adjourn the meeting at 8:48pm. All members present voted aye.

Brian Bahr, President

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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## INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT The Groton City Council of the City of Groton, South Dakota, will open bids for the 2025 resurfacing of City Streets on March 18, 2025, at 7:00pm (local time) at City Hall, 120 N Main Street, Groton, SD. Received sealed bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The work on this project includes the following:

- Approximately 44,000 square yards of bituminous seal coat.
- Approximately 2,200 square yards of bituminous prime coat.

All work areas are located within the city limits of Groton, SD.

The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined at the following locations:

City Hall, 120 N Main Street, Groton, SD 57445

The approximate quantities mentioned above are subject to increase or decrease. Questions or requests for further information should be directed to the City Finance Office, 605-397-8422, PO Box 587, Groton, SD 57445.

The City reserves the right to refuse any or all bids, to waive any informalities in the bidding and to award the contract in the best interests of the City of Groton, SD.

February 6, 2025

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February 25, 2025

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at 120 N Main Street for their second monthly meeting with the following members present: Bahr, Nehls, Wells, Cutler, Wambach, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were Attorney Drew Johnson, Douglas Heinrich, Elizabeth Varin, and Ashley Bentz.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Nehls to approve the agenda with the addition

of discussion regarding spring thaw garbage routes. All members present voted aye.

Public comments were welcomed pursuant to SDCL 1-25-1. Ashley Bentz thanked the Groton City Council for their continuing support of the Groton Chamber of Commerce.

Bentz exited the meeting.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Wells to award the roof repair project to Dakota Roofing in the amount of \$99,985. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Bahr to begin accepting bids for the 2025 Street Resurfacing Project. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Cutler to begin accepting 2025 gravel quotes. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Nehls to sign the audit engagement letter with Eide Bailly for the 2023/2024 biannual audit. All members present voted aye.

The January finance report was approved on a motion by Nehls and seconded by Cutler. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Wambach to begin the spring thaw garbage routes starting on March 4th, 2025. All members present voted aye.

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

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

Payroll, \$31,463.68, Employee salaries; , Administrative, \$5,153.51, ; , Public Safety, \$10,630.93, ; , Public Works, \$15,297.32, ; , Culture & Recreation, \$381.92, ; , USPS, \$303.46, Utility billing postage; , SD State Treasurer, \$10,316.76, Sales and Excise Tax - January 2025; , WEB Water, \$21,755.39, Water services - January 2025; , Dacotah Bank, \$6,719.45, Withholding/SS/Medicare; , Dakotaland FCU, \$450.00, Employee savings; , Dacotah Bank, \$810.41, HSA contributions; , Brock Abeln, \$40.00, Purchase of Brock Abeln's book x2; , Dacotah Bank, \$3,516.06, Withholding/SS/Medicare; , Dacotah Bank, \$100.00, HSA contributions; , Stacy Mayou, \$158.35, Med flex; , Heartland Energy, \$72,381.65, Power services - January 2025; , SD Supplemental Retirement, \$290.00, Supplemental retirement; , James

Valley Telecommunications, \$845.06, Telephone and internet services; , Dacotah Bank Visa, \$1,523.25, Prestamped envelopes, copy paper, printer ink, water sample postage, electric uniform purchases, GDI subscription, fuel purchase, ibuprofen, car adapter, hotel stay for JUTS 2025, paper towels, paper bowls, coffee, creamer, toilet paper, facial tissues - Multiple Depts. ; , Full Circle Ag, \$62.52, Tank rental - Sewer Dept. ; , Groton Ford, \$65.12, Oil filter for bucket truck - Electric Dept. ; , April Abeln, \$246.00, Med flex; , Kellie Locke, \$40.00, Med flex; , RDO Equipment Co., \$470.77, Cutting edges - Street Dept.; , Heartland Waste Management, \$10,160.15, Garbage hauling; , Vestis, \$67.26, Rug rent - City Hall; , WAPA, \$30,846.85, Power services - January 2025; , Runnings, \$174.91, Winter gloves, chainsaw chains, fitting adapters - Multiple Depts.; , Core & Main, \$911.63, Subsurface locator - Water Dept.; , IT Outlet, \$125.00, Server troubleshooting - City Hall; , The Groton Independent, \$53.10, Publishing costs; , Irby, Inc., \$9,838.50, Split bolts, cutting/crimping tools, arresters, u-guards, transformer bushing covers, clamps, tape, copper wire - Electric Dept.; , MJ's Sinclair, \$1,522.32, Fuel purchases, light bulbs, batteries - Multiple Depts. ; , Altec Capital Services, LLC., \$2,189.93, Digger truck lease - Electric Dept. ; , Geffdog Designs, LLC, \$221.53, Tote bags - Library; , Farmers Union Co-op Assoc., \$1,580.00, Diesel fuel - Street Dept.; , WESCO, \$5,132.45, Current transformer - Electric Dept.; , Dakota Pump & Control, \$714.29, Repairs to Aspen Lift seal - Wastewater Dept. ; , NW Energy, \$56.55, Natural gas service - Water Tower; , Colonial Research, \$228.63, Impact grease - Street Dept. ; , Aaron Anderson, \$100.00, Replace cables on hoop barn door; , Cole Papers, Inc., \$112.00, Paper towels - City Hall; , Verizon Wireless, \$40.01, Wireless router - Rubble Site; , Share Corporation, \$114.72, Sweeping compound oil - City Shop; , Greg's Repair, \$61.58, Valve stem repair and coolant toff - Police Dept.; , Kellie Locke, \$28.00, Employee mileage reimbursement - Geffdog in Aberdeen; , ; , Reminder: Applications are open for the following summer recreational positions: Baseball Coordinator, Softball Coordinator, Legion Coach, Jr. Legion Coach, Jr. Teener Coach, Girls' Softball Coaches (U8/U10/U12/U14), Day Baseball/Softball Coach, Concessions Manager, and Swimming Pool Manager.

Varin exited the meeting.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Wambach to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal matters 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 7:23pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 8:13pm.

Varin reentered the meeting.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Wambach to begin accepting applications for the remaining summer employment positions. All members present voted aye. The available positions are as follows: Public Works Laborer/Park Caretaker, Cemetery Caretaker, Assistant P/T Swimming Pool Manager, Swimming Pool Lifeguard, Baseball Gatekeeper, Baseball Groundskeeper.

The first reading of Ordinance No. 786 – 2025 Summer Salaries was approved on a motion by Nehls and seconded by Wells. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Nehls to hire Kami Lipp as Swimming Pool Manager, Aaron Severson as Jr. Legion Coach, Sydney Kurtz as U10 Softball Coach, and Kyle Gerlach as Jr. Teener Coach. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Wambach to adjourn the meeting at 8:21pm. All members present voted aye.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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## PUBLIC NOTICE TO GROTON PROPERTY OWNERS

Notice is hereby given that City Council, sitting as the Local Board of Equalization, will meet at City Hall, 120 N Main Street, Groton, SD, for the purpose of reviewing, correcting and equalizing the assessment of property on March 18, 2024, at 8:00 pm, following the regular council meeting.

Appeals must be submitted in writing with supporting documentation by 5:00pm Thursday, March 13th at City Hall or mail appeals to the Finance Officer, PO Box 587 Groton, South Dakota. Those appealing will be notified of their scheduled time to meet with the Board. Contact City Hall for more information at 605-397-8422.

Douglas J. Heinrich, Groton City Finance Officer

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An Ordinance entitled "2025 Summer Salary Ordinance", an Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 775.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City of Groton, South Dakota, that Ordinance No. 775 reads as follows:

Section I: Schedule of Salaries. The salaries and time of payment of employees shall be as follows:

Public Works Laborer/Park Caretaker \$16.30 Hourly Biweekly. Plus \$.25 per year of service  
Cemetery Caretaker \$16.30 Hourly Biweekly. Plus \$.25 per year of service  
Swimming Pool Manager \$16.30 Hourly Biweekly. Plus \$.25 per year of service at Swimming Pool  
Asst. P/T Swimming Pool Manager \$14.30 Hourly Biweekly. Plus \$.25 per year of service at Swimming Pool

Swimming Pool Lifeguard \$11.50 Hourly Biweekly. Plus \$.25 per year of service  
WSI Lifeguards during Swimming Lessons Regular salary + \$1 Hourly Biweekly. Plus \$25.00 bonus per private lesson\*

WSI Assist Lifeguard during Swimming Lessons Regular salary + \$.50 Hourly Biweekly  
Concessions Manager \$75 Daily Biweekly. Plus 50% net profit End of Season  
Baseball Coordinator \$2,000.00 Yearly Monthly. Plus \$77.32 per year of service  
Softball Coordinator \$2,000.00 Yearly Monthly. Plus \$25.77 per year of service  
Jr Legion Baseball Coach \$3,000.00 Yearly Monthly. Plus \$51.55 per year of service  
Jr Teener Baseball Coach (if 1) \$3,000.00 Yearly Monthly. Plus \$51.55 per year of service  
Jr Teener Baseball Coach (if 2) \$1,500.00 Yearly Monthly. Plus \$38.66 per year of service  
Day Baseball/Softball Coach \$2,500.00 Yearly Monthly. Plus \$50.00 per year of service  
Girls Softball Coach (U8, U10, U12, U14) \$1,000.00 Yearly Monthly. Plus \$20.62 per year of service  
Baseball Groundskeeper \$11.50 Hourly Biweekly. Plus \$.25 per year of service  
Baseball Gatekeeper \$11.50 Hourly Biweekly. Plus \$.25 per year of service

Section II: Requirements. Final payment of wages will be paid after completion of all duties of all seasonal employees.

Passed First Reading: 2/25/2025

Passed Second Reading: 3/4/2025

Published: 3/12/2025

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

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Effective:

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

\*\$25.00 bonus per private lesson (5 sessions) is only awarded upon successful completion of entire swimming pool season.

\*\*Years of service bonuses apply to years within the specific position, unless otherwise specified.



March 4, 2025

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at 120 N Main Street for their first monthly meeting with the following members present: Bahr, Babcock, Nehls, Wells, Cutler, Wambach, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were Attorney Drew Johnson, Douglas Heinrich, Mike Shilhanek, Paul Kosel, Dwight Zerr, Terry Herron, Todd Gay, Kami Lipp, and Tricia Keith.

Moved by Babcock and seconded by Wambach to approve the agenda with the change of moving department reports after public comments. All members present voted aye.

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

Department reports were reviewed and discussed.

Zerr, Herron, and Gay exited the meeting.

Mike Shilhanek discussed the potential transfer of property at 105 N 3rd Street to Groton Development Corporation and future plans.

Shilhanek exited the meeting.

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Babcock to approve the purchase of the base model scoreboards at the baseball complex with any upgrade from the base model to be the responsibility of the Groton Baseball/Softball Foundation. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Cutler to begin accepting bids for a 3-year garbage hauling contract. All members present voted aye. Sealed bids are due by 5pm on April 1, 2025.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Wells to begin accepting bids for the exterior painting of City Hall. All members present voted aye. Sealed bids are due by 5pm on April 1, 2025.

Lipp and Keith entered the meeting.

Kosel exited the meeting.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Babcock to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal matters 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 8:02pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 9:00pm.

Kosel reentered the meeting.

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved on a motion by Cutler and seconded by Wells. All members present voted aye.

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

Payroll, \$32,022.34, Employee salaries; Executive, \$720.87, ; Administrative, \$5,153.51, ; Public Safety, \$9,714.18, ; Public Works, \$15,316.56, ; Culture & Recreation, \$1,117.22, ; Dwight Zerr, \$78.21, Med flex; Dacotah Bank, \$3,951.98, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$100.00, HSA contributions; Aflac, \$435.76, Employee insurance; Colonial Life, \$69.40, Employee insurance; Allied Benefit Systems, \$14,403.02, Employee insurance; Reliance Standard Life Insurance, \$88.10, Employee insurance; Dacotah Bank, \$810.41, HSA contributions; Dacotah Bank, \$6,856.86, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dakotaland FCU, \$450.00, Employee savings; Payment Service Network, Inc., \$205.75, PSN gateway and eBill fees; US Bank , \$21,426.46, DW-05 loan payment; US Bank , \$6,734.43, DW-06 loan payment; SD Supplemental Retirement, \$290.00, Supplemental retirement; Drew Johnson, \$500.00, Legal services - February 2025; Advance Auto Parts, \$84.98, Headlight and blower motor resistor - Street Dept.; CDW Government, \$213.00, Cradlepoint cloud subscription - Rubble Site; The Groton Independent, \$13.18, Publishing costs; Landon Johnson, \$60.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement - Jan/Feb 2025; Branden Abeln, \$60.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement - Jan/Feb 2025; April Abeln, \$60.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement - Jan/Feb 2025; Kellie Locke, \$88.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement - Jan/Feb 2025; Mileage reimbursement to Aberdeen, SD for Goodwill donation; Douglas Heinrich, \$60.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement - Jan/Feb 2025; Paul Kosel, \$60.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement - Jan/Feb 2025; Jesse Anderson, \$60.00, Employee cell phone reimbursement - Jan/Feb 2025; SD Retirement System, \$11,889.28, Employee retirement; Darrels, LLC., \$19.95, Headlight - Street Dept.; Dollar General, \$94.45, Cleaning products, toilet paper, bottled water, batteries - Multiple Depts. ; RDO Equipment Co., \$19.82, Taillight bulbs - Street Dept.; SD Department of Health, \$30.00, Water testing - Water Dept.; Runnings, \$11.97, New keys for City Hall; Bell Bank Equipment Finance, \$28,620.18, 2024 Case wheel loader annual payment; NW Energy, \$14.35, Natural gas service - PD generator; Fire Safety First, \$37.38, Ibuprofen and lens wipes - City Shop; MOCIC, \$100.00, 2025 membership fee - PD; Dakota Roofing, LLC., \$49,992.50, Roof repair project - 50% down payment; S&S Lumber Co. , \$36.46, Saw blades, solder paste, air tool oil - City Shop; ; The first reading of Ordinance No. 787 – Amending Rates for Groton Municipal Electric Customers was approved on a motion by Bahr and seconded by

Wambach. All members present voted aye.

The second reading of Ordinance No. 786 – 2025 Summer Salaries was approved on a motion by Nehls and seconded by Cutler. All members present voted aye.

The Equalization meeting was set for March 18, 2025, after the regularly scheduled council meeting on a motion by Wambach and seconded by Wells. All members present voted aye.

Reminder: Applications are open for the following summer recreational positions: Baseball Coordinator, Softball Coordinator, Girls' Softball Coaches (U8/U12/U14), Day Baseball/Softball Coach, Concessions Manager, Public Works Laborer/Park Caretaker, Cemetery Caretaker, Swimming Pool Lifeguards, Baseball Groundskeepers, and Baseball Gatekeepers.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Babcock to authorize Douglas Heinrich to attend HR/FO School in Pierre, SD on June 10th through the 13th. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Wells to table the hiring of summer recreational employees to the next monthly meeting. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Wells to adjourn the meeting at 9:14pm. All members present voted aye.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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Notice of Hearing upon Application for a Special Event Alcoholic Beverage License

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT The Groton City Council on the 1st day of April, 2025 at 7:00pm at the Groton City Hall, 120 N Main Street, Groton, South Dakota will meet in regular session to consider a special event alcoholic beverage license for Fireman's Fun Night at Groton Fire Hall, 305 E Railroad Ave, in the City of Groton, South Dakota on April 12, 2025.

Any person interested in the approval or rejection of any such application may appear and be heard.

Dated at Groton, South Dakota, this 21st day of March, 2025.

Douglas Heinrich, Groton City Finance Officer

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March 18, 2025

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at 120 N Main Street for their second monthly meeting with the following members present: Babcock, Nehls, Wells, Wambach, and President Bahr presiding. Also present were Attorney Drew Johnson, Douglas Heinrich, Paul Kosel, Terry Herron, Todd Gay, Stacy Mayou, Elizabeth Varin, Joseph Schwan, TJ Harder, Collin Jensen,

Dave Skoglund, Corey VanVlack, Eric Lange, and Michael Henneberry.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Wambach to approve the agenda with the change of moving the opening of sealed bids for 2025 street resurfacing and 2025 gravel quotes to be before utility metering solutions. All members present voted aye.

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

Discussion took place regarding increased police presence at the Groton School.

Mayou, Schwan, and Harder exited the meeting.

Three sealed bids were submitted for the 2025 Street Resurfacing Project – Midwest Coatings Company, Inc. at \$4.80 per sq. yd. for prime coat and \$3.65 per sq. yd. for seal coat, Jensen Rock and Sand, Inc. at \$4.22 per sq. yd. for prime coat and \$3.21 per sq. yd. for seal coat, and Bituminous Paving, Inc. at \$3.00 per sq. yd. for prime coat and \$3.55 per sq. yd. for seal coat. Moved by Nehls and seconded by Wambach to award the project to Jensen Rock and Sand, Inc. All members present voted aye.

Jensen exited the meeting.

One gravel quote was received from Krueger Brothers Gravel and Dirt at \$21.60 per yard. Moved by Nehls and seconded by Wells to accept the gravel quote from Krueger Brothers Gravel and Dirt. All members present voted aye.

Skoglund, VanVlack, Lange, and Henneberry discussed and provided a presentation for a water and electric metering solution.

Skoglund, VanVlack, Lange, Henneberry, Gay, Kosel, and Herron exited the meeting.

Update was provided on the status of the park saferoom project.

Moved by Nehls and seconded by Wambach to approve the February finance report. All members present voted aye.

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

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

Payroll, \$29,204.99, Employee salaries; Culture & Recreation, \$221.00, ; Administrative, \$5,153.51, ; Public Safety, \$8,514.36, ; Public Works, \$15,316.12, ; City of Groton, \$508.07, Utility deposits applied to bills; Mackenzie Patton, \$128.12, Utility deposit refund; Monte and Sandy Sippel, \$163.81, Utility deposit refund; USPS, \$303.89, Utility billing postage; SD State Treasurer, \$10,372.83, Sales and excise tax for February 2025; WEB Water, \$19,277.39, Water services - February 2025; Dacotah Bank, \$6,673.97, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dakotaland FCU, \$450.00, Employee savings; Dacotah Bank, \$810.41, HSA contributions; Stacy Mayou, \$35.00, Rubble site permit refund; Dacotah Bank, \$3,345.84, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$100.00, HSA contributions; SD Supplemental Retirement, \$290.00, Supplemental retirement; Altec Capital Services, LLC, \$2,189.93, Digger truck lease; Runnings, \$140.66, Grease, adaptor, coupler - City Shop; April Abeln, \$28.00, Mileage reimbursement - Geffdog to retrieve signs; Dakota Supply Group, \$249.89, LED light for City Hall parking lot; VESTIS, \$67.26, Rug rent - City Hall; Heartland Energy, \$70,318.42, Power services - February 2025; WAPA, \$28,464.05, Power services - February 2025; Jesse Anderson, \$131.60, Meal/mileage reimbursement - Huron Federal Surplus trip & SDARWS Water Distribution class/exam in Aberdeen; Branden Abeln, \$14.00, Meal reimbursement - Huron Federal Surplus trip; A&B Business Solutions, \$378.66, Printer lease - City Hall; Stan Houston Equipment Co., \$242.75, Sealant/caulk - Swimming Pool; J's Superior Cleaning, \$200.00, Commercial cleaning services - City Hall; Heartland Waste Management, \$10,144.20, Garbage hauling; The Groton Independent, \$166.16, Publishing costs; Badger Meter, Inc., \$163.38, Cellular service fee - Water Metering; Sanitation Products, Inc., \$1,658.62, Parts for street sweeper - Street Dept. ; Autozone, Inc., \$148.74, Sensor, oil, cabin air filter - Multiple Depts.; Dakota Fluid Power, Inc., \$10.37, Elbow fittings - Street Dept.; Glenn Bitz, \$155.00, City Hall window cleaning; Leidholdt Tool Sales, LLC., \$33.18, Magnetic soldering clamp - City Shop; James Valley Telecommunications, \$798.36, Telephone and internet services; MJ's Sinclair, \$1,237.36, Fuel purchases; CPR Savers, \$404.50, Sterile gauze pads, mask, adult pad cartridges, child/infant pad cartridge - Swimming Pool; Ken's Fair Foods, \$399.84, Fuel purchases, cocoa mix, paper towels, coffee filters, coffee, foam cups, bottled water - Multiple Depts. ; SD Federal



Property Agency, \$354.45, Tools, tool box, boots, mats, string, cleaner, tow rope - Multiple Depts. ; Dacotah Bank Visa, \$566.24, Book ends, monthly planner, leg caps, plastic welder, steering column, keyboard, mouse, water sample, fuel purchase, Red Cross facility fee for pool - Multiple Depts. ; Kellie Locke, \$57.40, Mileage reimbursement - retrieve equalization books from Aberdeen and trip to Bristol Library; Cole Papers, Inc., \$243.10, Trash bags, bath tissue - City Hall/Community Center; Auto Value Aberdeen, \$355.00, Intake and head cleaning - City Shop.

The second reading of Ordinance No. 787 – Amending Rates for Groton Municipal Electric Customers was approved on a motion by Nehls and seconded by Wells. All members present voted aye.

Reminder: Applications are open for the following summer recreational positions: Baseball Coordinator, Softball Coordinator, Girls' Softball Coaches (U8/U12/U14), Day Baseball/Softball Coach, Concessions Manager, Public Works Laborer/Park Caretaker, Cemetery Caretaker, Swimming Pool Lifeguards, Baseball Groundskeepers, and Baseball Gatekeepers.

Varin exited the meeting

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Wells to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal matters 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 8:33pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 9:03pm.

Varin reentered the meeting.

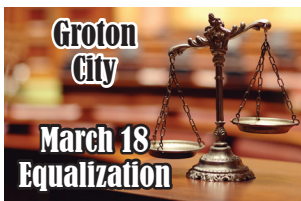
Moved by Nehls and seconded by Wells to hire the following summer recreational employees: Matt Locke – Baseball Coordinator, Jaclyn Iverson – Softball Coordinator, Reilly Fuhrmann – U12 Softball Coach, Gavin Englund – Baseball Groundskeeper, Braxton Imrie – Baseball Groundskeeper, Nicholas Groeblichhoff – Baseball Groundskeeper, Makenna Krause – Baseball Gatekeeper, Rebbeca Padfield – Baseball Concessions, Brian Gravatt – Cemetery Caretaker, Aaron Severson – Public Works Laborer/Park Caretaker, and Tricia Keith – Swimming Pool Co-Manager. Additionally, the following applicants were hired as Swimming Pool Lifeguards: Karla Pasteur, Kelli Hanson, Cody Swanson, Tanae Lipp, Anna Fjeldheim, Abby Fjeldheim, Gretchen Dinger, Kinsley Rowen, Jayden Schwan, Rylie Rose, Carly Gilbert, Gracie Pearson, Samuel Crank, Hannah Sandness, and Rylen Ekern. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Wells and seconded by Wambach to adjourn the meeting at 9:05pm. All members present voted aye.

Brian Bahr, President

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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#### MINUTES FOR THE CITY OF GROTON LOCAL BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

The City of Groton Local Board of Equalization met on Tuesday, March 18, 2025, at 9:06pm at 120 N Main Street. Board members present were Council members: Jason Wambach, Shirley Wells, Karyn Babcock, Brian Bahr, and Kevin Nehls. Also present was Douglas Heinrich - Finance Officer.

There were no written notices of appeal in objection to property assessments. The board reviewed the property assessment list and had one recommendation for Brown County to review the property at LT 10 BK 43 3RD ADD owned by Mark Abeln Farms LLC due to structure removal. The board recommended a change in total property valuation from \$100,187 to \$22,313.

The Groton City Local Board of Equalization adjourned at 10:13 PM.

ATTEST:

Brian Bahr, President

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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