

The Pipestone County Commissioners met with Chairman Luke Johnson, Commissioners Les Nath, Jerry L. Remund, and Dan Wildermuth. County Administrator Sharon Hanson was also present. Commissioner Bruce Kooiman absent. Chairman Johnson called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Motion by Wildermuth, seconded by Nath to approve the agenda. Yeas: Johnson, Nath, Remund, Wildermuth. Nays: None. Absent: Kooiman. Motion carried.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Remund, seconded by Nath to approve the consent agenda as follows:

1. Minutes of May 10, 2016 Commissioner Meeting
2. Hospital Warrants in the amount of \$752,275.68
3. Auditor Warrant in the amount of \$11.00 payable to Deputy Registrar

Yeas: Johnson, Nath, Remund, Wildermuth. Nays: None. Absent: Kooiman. Motion carried.

**TYLER REISCH – PROCUREMENT POLICY GRACE PERIOD REQUEST**

Auditor Tyler Reisch stated that the Federal government put into place new procurement standards for Federal contracts effective December 26, 2014. At that time, they put into place a two-year grace period for affected organizations to achieve compliance. Auditor Reisch requested approval of the Board to use the grace period granted by the Federal government for the implementation of new procurement standards set forth in the uniform guidance 2 CFR sections 200.318 through 200.326. A new procurement policy will be presented to the Board by December 26, 2016 to bring Pipestone County into compliance. Motion by Wildermuth, seconded by Remund to approve the Federal Procurement Policy Grace Period with approval of the new procurement policy to take place before December 26, 2016. Yeas: Johnson, Nath, Remund, Wildermuth. Nays: None. Absent: Kooiman. Motion carried.

**RENTAL REHABILITATION DEFERRED LOAN PROGRAM-RESOLUTION 59-25-16**

Michelle Clarke of the Southwest Minnesota Housing Partnership presented for Board adoption a Resolution for Southwest Minnesota Housing Partnership to administer the Rental Rehabilitation Deferred Loan (RRDL) Pilot Program on behalf of Minnesota Housing (MHFA) in Pipestone County. The Rental Rehabilitation Deferred Loan Program provides funds to landlords as a means for rehabilitating rental housing units in Pipestone County through State

grants. Motion by Nath, seconded by Wildermuth to adopt Resolution 59-25-16 that Southwest Minnesota Housing Partnership administer the Rental Rehabilitation Deferred Loan (RRDL) Pilot Program on behalf of Minnesota Housing (MHFA) in Pipestone County. Yeas: Johnson, Nath, Remund, Wildermuth. Nays: None. Absent: Kooiman. Motion carried.

**KYLE KRIER – PLANNING AND ZONING ORDINANCE REVISIONS**

Environmental Administrator Kyle Krier presented the updates to the Planning and Zoning Ordinance regarding new setback guidelines for public utilities from Township, County, County State Aid, State and US highways. The Board asked questions of the purpose of the utility setback and the impact on public utilities. Administrator Krier also presented information on setback distances for agriculture setbacks from side and rear of yards. Comparable information from surrounding counties was presented with Pipestone County having the most setback distances required. When the Planning and Zoning Commission met, they did not come to an agreement on agriculture structure setbacks and didn't make a final recommendation for Board approval. Consensus of the Board to have Administrator Krier bring back to the Planning and Zoning Commission the utility and agriculture structure setback proposals and possibly provide a recommendation to the County Board.

**PERSONNEL**

Motion by Remund, seconded by Wildermuth to accept the resignation of part-time Jailer/Dispatcher Cole Nordmeyer effective May 29, 2016. Yeas: Johnson, Nath, Remund, Wildermuth. Nays: None. Absent: Kooiman. Motion carried.

HR Coordinator Feste announced that Ryan Bridgewater moved from part-time to full-time Jailer/Dispatcher effective May 10, 2016. Pipestone County will advertise for a part-time Jailer/Dispatcher and Feste requested approval to hire two part-time Jailer/Dispatchers if they are successful through the interview process. Consensus of the Board to allow the hiring of two part-time Jailer/Dispatchers.

HR Coordinator Feste presented for approval a revised job description for the Deputy Emergency Services Director which will be sent to Fox Lawson for a job valuation rating. A minimum requirement of the position was missed in the original job description. Motion by Remund, seconded by Nath to approve the revised Deputy Emergency Services Director job description and send to Fox Lawson for job valuation rating. Yeas: Johnson, Nath, Remund, Wildermuth. Nays: None. Absent: Kooiman. Motion carried.

**LINCOLN PIPESTONE RURAL WATER JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT**

Administrator Sharon Hanson presented for approval Resolution 59-26-16 Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water (LPRW) Joint Powers Agreement in which Pipestone and the counties of Jackson, Lac Qui Parle, Lincoln, Lyon, Murray, Nobles, Redwood, Rock, and Yellow Medicine approve the Priority 2 Improvements Project to bring LPRW into compliance with MPCA regulations, because it will allow water received from the Lewis and Clark Regional Water System to replace most of the water which is currently being pumped from LPRW's Holland Well, which will ultimately benefit most of the aforementioned ten counties. Estimated cost of the Priority 2 Improvements Project is \$14,858,925.00; \$1,969,000.00 of the costs of the Priority 2 Improvements Project will be paid for by a grant LPRW will receive from the United States Department of Agriculture/Rural Development; \$3,000,000.00 of the costs of the Priority 2 Improvements Project will be paid for by a Point Source Implementation Grant ("PSIG"); and the remaining \$9,890,000.00 of costs for the Priority 2 Improvements Project will be paid for by issuing general obligation bonds ("GO bonds"). Pipestone County has agreed to issue \$9,890,000.00 of GO bonds on behalf of LPRW to help finance the construction of the Improvements Project on the condition that the other nine aforementioned counties sign a Joint Powers Agreement, which guarantees the payment of both the interim and permanent GO bonds in the amount of \$9,890,000.00. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Nath to adopt Resolution 59-26-16 that approves the Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water Joint Powers Agreement regarding the Priority 2 Improvement Projects. Yeas: Johnson, Nath, Remund, Wildermuth. Nays: None. Absent: Kooiman. Motion carried.

**SAFE COPS GRANT**

Sheriff Keith Vreeman presented for approval a request to apply for a Department of Justice COPS Hiring Program grant, which if awarded, will enable the hiring of 1.0 FTE licensed law enforcement peace officer in the capacity as a School Resource Officer (SRO) for primary and secondary schools located in the Pipestone Area School District. Sheriff Vreeman met with the Pipestone Area School District Board and they approved the following cost share: 50% of position for four years, or \$40,417 per year, County pays \$25,000.00 per year, and the grant pays \$41,666.00 for three years. If the grant is not awarded the County share would remain the same and the School's share would increase to \$60,835.00 per year. These costs cover the School Resource Officer's wages, benefits and training. Motion by Wildermuth, seconded by Remund

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to authorize the application of the COPS Hiring grant and adding one full-time Deputy Sheriff to serve as a School Resource Officer. Yeas: Johnson, Nath, Remund, Wildermuth. Nays: None.

Absent: Kooiman. Motion carried.

Motion by Wildermuth, seconded by Nath to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Pipestone County and Pipestone Area School District outlining the goals, organizational structure, duties and responsibilities of the position. Yeas: Johnson, Nath, Remund, Wildermuth. Nays: None. Absent: Kooiman. Motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Commissioner Remund reported on the following committee meetings: Hospital Plant Operations, SWHHS Board Orientation, SW Mental Health, PrimeWest Health Board.

Motion by Wildermuth, seconded by Nath to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 9:54 a.m.

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Luke Johnson  
Pipestone County Board Chair

ATTEST:

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Sharon Hanson  
County Administrator

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