

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

Motion by Nath, seconded by Remund to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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

1. Approve Minutes of July 5, 2016
2. Commissioner Warrants/Meal Reimbursements in the amount of \$236,573.72 and Hospital Warrants in the amount of \$292,174.66
3. Treasurer’s Report June 2016

Motion carried unanimously.

As per Minnesota Statutes 375.12, the following Commissioner Warrant information is presented:

Vendor Name	Amount Paid
Nelson Auto Center	28,383.95
Regents Of The University Of Minnesota	28,284.75
Southwest Health & Human Services	20,391.50
O'Neill O'Neill & Barduson	19,466.00
Computer Professionals Unlimited Inc	14,009.00
Northland Trust Services Inc	13,162.50
MN Counties Computer Cooperative	12,933.50
Pipestone County Highway Department	10,572.40
Van Dyke Sanitation Inc	9,034.92
Tritech Software Systems	5,683.00
Safe Assure Consultants Inc	4,918.44
Pipestone/City Of	4,196.62
M&S Technologies Inc	3,804.50
Stonebrooke	3,249.68
Emergency Automotive Technologies Inc	2,803.82
Ninety-Four Services Inc	2,657.66
Amdahl Motors Inc	2,180.70
Edgerton Enterprise	2,126.68
Tri-County Recycling Center	2,058.88
SeaChange Printing & Marketing Svs LLC	2,030.60
Warrants over \$2,000	\$ 191,949.10
Number of Claims under \$2,000	148
Warrants under \$2,000	\$ 44,588.62
Total	\$ 236,537.72

**JAY TRUSTY – SRDC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Southwest Regional Development Commission (SRDC) Executive Director Jay Trusty presented a SRDC annual update including the newly developed strategic plan.

**BUFFALO RIDGE DRUG TASK FORCE PRESENTATION – FUNDING RESOLUTION 59-28-16**

Buffalo Ridge Drug Task Force (BRDTF) Commander Nathan Grimmus presented an update on the history of the BRDTF, statistics on cases and accomplishments, and a video on the effects of drug use in our communities.

BRDTF Commander Grimmus requested approval of Resolution Relating to Buffalo Ridge Drug Task Force per Capita Funding which shall increase Pipestone County's per capita funding to not less than \$3.50 in 2017, \$3.70 in 2018, \$3.90 in 2019, \$4.10 in 2020, \$4.30 in 2021, \$4.50 in 2022, and the per capita fund shall be reviewed annually thereafter. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Remund to adopt Resolution 59-28-16 that Pipestone County shall increase its respective per capita fund (if approved by the other member entities) to not less than \$3.50 in 2017, \$3.70 in 2018, \$3.90 in 2019, \$4.10 in 2020, \$4.30 in 2021, \$4.50 in 2022, and the per capita fund shall be reviewed annually thereafter. Motion carried unanimously.

**GEORGE EILERTSON, NORTHLAND SECURITIES – LPRW SHORT-TERM BONDS**

George Eilertson from Northland Securities answered Commissioner questions on the Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water short-term bonds that will be issued as part of LPRW's Priority 2 Improvement Project that was presented at the May 10, 2016 Commissioner meeting. Motion by Kooiman, seconded by Nath to accept the \$9,890,000 General Obligation Temporary Revenue Bonds Finance Plan as presented with direction to Eilertson to check on obtaining a higher Pipestone County bond rating. Motion carried unanimously.

**EDF RENEWABLES – UTILITY AND WIND EASEMENT**

Manager of Land Acquisition at EDF Renewable Energy Curtis Nordick joined the meeting to request approval of two easement agreements for the Pipestone County gravel pit: a utility easement that would allow a utility to be nplaced on the property, a temporary easement for construction of the utility and a wind rights easement that would allow EDF to add to the wind rights footprint thereby allowing further development of the wind project being developed adjacent to the gravel pit.

Motion by Wildermuth, seconded by Kooiman to move forward with the utility easement with language added that the utility be located as close to the property line as possible and contingent on final review by the County Attorney and final approval by the County Board. Motion carried unanimously.

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Motion by Wildermuth, seconded by Nath to move forward with a wind rights easement agreement contingent on final review by the County Attorney and final approval by the County Board. Motion carried unanimously.

**PERSONNEL**

Human Resources Coordinator Cathy Feste requested approval to hire a part-time Jailer/Dispatcher on Step B of the 2016 pay plan. The individual has 16 years of experience as a Corrections Officer at the Minnesota Department of Corrections in Rush City, MN. Motion by Nath, seconded by Wildermuth to approve the hiring of a part-time Jailer/Dispatcher on Step B of the 2016 pay plan. Motion carried unanimously.

HR Coordinator Feste reported that she plans to offer another part-time Jailer/Dispatcher position for a total of two positions hired.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Commissioner Remund reported on the following Committee meetings: PrimeWest Board, Law Enforcement Liaison, Insurance Committee, Prime Health, Murray County Recycling, Casey Jones Annual meeting.

Motion by Nath, seconded by Wildermuth to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.  
Meeting adjourned at 11:23 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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