

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

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

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- 1. Minutes of August 23, 2016 Commissioner Meeting

Motion carried unanimously.

LINDSEY KNUTSON-MNDOT 10 YEAR CAPITAL HIGHWAY INVESTMENT PLAN

Minnesota Department of Transportation (MNDOT) District 8 Planning Director Lindsey Knutson joined the meeting and presented information on the MNDOT’s Ten (10) Year Capital Highway Investment Plan (CHIP) and answered questions from the Board.

PROJECT UPDATES, PROJECTS UNDER CONTRACT, PROJECTS IN THE

PLANNING STAGE

Engineer Halbersma provided information on project updates, projects under contract and projects in the planning stage.

Motion by Nath, seconded by Kooiman to approve final payment to Morris Sealcoat and Trucking Inc. in the amount of \$34,289.95 for Project SAP 59-030-011, Seal Coat Projects.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Remund, seconded by Wildermuth to approve the following right of way payments as Auditor Warrants for Projects SP 59-616-32 and SP 59-602-26:

<u>Project</u>	<u>Land Owner:</u>	<u>Payment:</u>
SP 59-602-26	Jerald Von Holtum	\$1,000.00
SP 59-616-32	Melvin Vanden Berg	\$400.00
SP 59-616-32	Brian and Junette Karels	\$8,840.00
SP 59-616-32	Ronald Beckering	\$6,280.00
SP 59-616-32	Lyman & Roxanne Paulsen	\$12,360.00
SP 59-616-32	Brian & Kristin Persing	\$2,880.00
SP 59-616-32	Bradley Bolluyt	\$1,930.00
SP 59-616-32	Linda Bolluyt	\$4,850.00
SP 59-616-32	Jerald Von Holtum	\$7,790.00

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Nath, seconded by Remund to set the bid letting date for box culvert projects SAP 59-599-92, SAP 59-599-93, SAP 59-599-94, SAP 59-599-95 for September 27, 2016 at 10:30 a.m. in the Pipestone County Courthouse Commissioners Room. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Kooiman, seconded by Nath to set the 2016-2017 gravel crushing bid letting date for September 27, 2016 at 10:30 a.m. in the Pipestone County Courthouse Commissioners Room. Motion carried unanimously.

BONDING FOR HIGHWAY PROJECTS AND EQUIPMENT

Engineer Halbersma and the Board discussed potential bonding for highway projects and equipment in efforts to save tax dollars on future inflation factors. Consensus of the Board to continue to discuss as part of future budget discussions.

SAP 59-623-003 BID OPENING-10:00 A.M.

County Attorney Damain Sandy joined the meeting. The following bids were received for Project SAP 59-623-003 Ruthton regrade and resurface of CSAH 23/Evans Street/Railroad Ave:

Contractor	Bid Amount
Rupp Construction Co Inc	\$116,623.00
Hulstein Excavation Inc.	\$120,184.55
A&C Excavating	\$134,350.50
Duininck In	\$156,092.90
Rough Country Excavating LLC	\$173,325.00
Midwest Contracting LLC	\$184,472.70

Bids were taken for review

RESOLUTION 59-32-16 SPEED STUDY RESOLUTION

Motion by Kooiman, seconded by Nath to adopt Resolution 59-32-16 that Pipestone County hereby requests the Commissioner of Transportation, upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation, authorize the erection of appropriate signs designating a reasonable and safe speed limit upon the following described streets and highways: CSAH 17, From CSAH 1 to CSAH 9. Motion carried unanimously.

UTILITY SETBACK ORDINANCE UPDATE

Engineer Halbersma informed the Board that the Road and Bridge Committee met with several utilities that expressed comment from the July 26, 2016 Planning and Zoning Ordinance Revision Public Hearing. Discussion took place on possibly developing a Memorandum of

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Agreement (MOA) with the utilities that would exempt the utility from the proposed ordinance if the utility agrees to bring forth to the County proposed plans for placement of utility lines prior to placement of the utilities. Consensus of the Board to proceed with the drafting of the MOA with review by County Attorney Sandy. County Attorney Sandy stated he would review the proposed MOA and get back to Engineer Halbersma.

MAINTENANCE UPDATE

Engineer Halbersma stated that only one quote was obtained for the purchase of a road grader shoulder disc as there is only one known supplier. Motion by Kooiman, seconded by Wildermuth to approve the purchase of a road grader shoulder disc from Ziegler Cat in the amount of \$17,400.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Engineer Halbersma updated the Board on the underground fuel storage tank that is currently 2,000 gallon and could be upgraded to a 10,000 gallon tank in order to capture more fuel savings and ensure future tank monitoring compliance. Engineer Halbersma estimated the purchase price at approximately \$75,000.00. Motion by Kooiman, seconded by Wildermuth to direct Engineer Halbersma to obtain firm bids on the purchase of a 10,000 underground fuel storage tank and bring back to the Board for consideration. Motion carried unanimously.

Engineer Halbersma provided an update on maintenance activities of the Highway Department for the past month.

Engineer Halbersma informed the Board that there is some dispute on the property line between a private landowner adjacent to the County Highway Shop property in Edgerton. Motion by Wildermuth, seconded by Nath to proceed with hiring a registered land surveyor, not to exceed \$1,500.000, to survey the property lines in efforts to resolve the conflict. Motion carried unanimously.

EDF WIND RIGHTS AND UTILITY EASEMENT AGREEMENTS

Chairman Johnson requested further review of the EDF wind rights and utility easement agreements proposed for the County owned gravel pit property.

SAP 59-623-003 BID AWARD

Engineer Halbersma reported that County Attorney Sandy stated the bid bonds were acceptable.

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Motion by Johnson, seconded by Remund to approve the bid from Rupp Construction Co. Inc. in the amount of \$116,623.00 for Project SAP 59-623-003 Ruthton re-grade and resurface of CSAH 23/Evans Street/Railroad Ave. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Kooiman: Hospital Plant Operations, Planning and Zoning Commission.

Commissioner Remund: Hospital Plant Operations, Union Negotiations, Primewest Health, Hospice/Home Health, SWWC Annual Health Insurance Renewal Meeting, Insurance Committee, Road and Bridge (R&B) Committee.

Commissioners Kooiman and Remund excused themselves from the meeting at 11:06 a.m.

Commissioner Wildermuth: Broadband meeting, Hospice/Home Health, Canvassing Board, Southwest Health and Human Services (SWHHS), Southern MN Opportunity Council, Stoneray Wind Project Public Meeting.

Commissioner Nath: Broadband meeting, Primewest Health, SW Mental Health, SWHHS, SWHHS Executive Board meeting, Hospital Personnel.

Commissioner Johnson: Union Negotiations, Farmfest Water Quality Forum, Area II/RCRCA, SWWC Annual Health Insurance Renewal Meeting, Ditch Committee, R&B Committee, Buffer Strip meeting, Hospital Personnel.

Motion by Nath, seconded by Wildermuth to adjourn the meeting. Yeas: Johnson, Nath, Wildermuth. Nays: None. Absent: Kooiman, Remund. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Luke Johnson
Pipestone County Board Chair

ATTEST:

Sharon Hanson
County Administrator