

May 1, 2018

Pipestone County Commissioner Meeting
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The Pipestone County Commissioners met with Chairman Dan Wildermuth, Commissioners Chris Hollingsworth, Luke Johnson, Bruce Kooiman and Les Nath. County Administrator Steve Ewing was also present. Chairman Wildermuth called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

AGENDA

Motion by Kooiman, seconded by Hollingsworth to approve the agenda as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Hollingsworth, seconded by Johnson to approve the consent agenda as follows:

1. Approve Minutes of April 24, 2018
2. Approve April 27, 2018 Auditor Warrants

Motion carried unanimously.

ENGINEER APPOINTMENT AND EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

Motion by Nath, seconded by Kooiman to approve the appointment of Nicholas Bergman as Pipestone County Engineer effective May 1, 2018 through April 30, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Hollingsworth to approve an Employment Agreement between Pipestone County Engineer Nicholas Bergman and the County of Pipestone effective May 1, 2018 through April 30, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

ENGINEER, VSO OATHS OF OFFICE

Judge Terry Vajgrt joined the meeting to administer the oaths of office to Nick Bergman, County Engineer and Renae Schuch, Veterans Service Officer.

PROJECT UPDATES, PROJECTS UNDER CONTRACT, PROJECTS IN THE PLANNING STAGE

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

Engineer Bergman requested approval of a Right of Way payment for project SAP 59-613-15 to James B. Griebel Farms L.L.P. in the amount of \$5,200.00. Motion by Nath, seconded

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Engineer Bergman reported that he hopes to have quotes next month on the annual maintenance striping.

Engineer Bergman provided Commissioners with the 2017 Annual Road and Bridge report, asked them to review, and plans to follow-up at the June 5, 2018 Commissioner meeting.

Engineer Bergman stated that he received an estimated cost on dust control for County Road 25 and County Road 17. This was in response to an issue brought forward at the annual Road and Bridge hearing. Bergman stated that the costs would be approximately \$4,000 - \$4,400.00 for County Road 25 and the costs would be approximately \$19,000 - \$21,000.00 for County Road 17. The State will be using County Road 17 for a haul road for a current bituminous project and stated they would be willing to put dust control down at intersections and in front of houses on the stretch of County Road 17 they would be using as a haul road. Consensus of the Board to take no action on the County Road 17 dust control due to the State project. Motion by Kooiman, seconded by Nath to authorize Engineer Bergman to expend the approximately \$4,000 - \$4,400.00 of funds necessary for dust control on County Road 25 between the intersections of Highway 23 and Highway 30. Motion carried unanimously.

Nick Bergman and Doug Nagel reported on maintenance updates in the past month, including plowing and sanding, blowing snow, flood repairs on gravel shoulders, removal of snow fences, blading gravel roads, starting crack sealing on April 30, and sign repair and replacement. Road postings have been removed.

DEMOLITION ENGINEERING PROPOSAL – OLD CENTRAL SCHOOL

Travis Winter and Teresa Burgess of Bolton & Menk reviewed their proposal for the Professional Engineering and Environmental Services for the demolition of Old Central School located at 400 2nd Ave SW in Pipestone. They have been involved with two demolition projects within the City of Pipestone, including the old Loopy’s building and the old Robson building.

The estimate fee total is \$73,500.00 with services broken down as follows:

Task 1 – Project Management	\$3,000.00
Task 2 – Site Topographical Survey	\$2,500.00
Task 3 – Environmental Services	\$43,000.00
Follow up ACM Inspection of Below Grade Areas	\$5,800
Prepare/Update Figures	\$3,200
Prepare Abatement Specifications	\$7,500
Visit Site to Monitor and Verify Removal	\$5,800

Attend Bi-Weekly Meetings	\$8,500
Visit Site to Investigate Unidentified Materials	\$7,000
Verify Abated Quantities with Contractor	\$6,000
Task 4 – Plans and Specifications	\$15,000.00
Task 5 – Bidding Services	\$3,000.00
Task 6 – Construction Services	\$5,000.00
Task 7 – Permits	\$2,000.00
Total – (Hourly, Not to Exceed)	\$73,500.00

Consensus of the Commissioners to take no action at this time and discuss the two proposals that they have received at a later date.

Administrator Ewing recommended that the Finance Committee meet to discuss options for financing the project. Consensus of the board to have the Finance Committee meeting during the May 22 Commissioners Meeting.

TAX ABATEMENT REQUEST

Auditor Tyler Reisch requested the Board set a public hearing date for a proposed property tax abatement request from Dale and Janice Wussow, pursuant to Minnesota Statute 469.1813 and 116J.993 through 116J.995. Motion by Nath, seconded by Kooiman to set a public hearing date for May 22, 2018 at 9:45 a.m. in the Commissioners Room of the Courthouse. Motion carried unanimously.

G.O. COMPLIANCE CHECKLIST – CARING HANDS DENTAL CLINIC

County Administrator Steve Ewing presented a copy of a G.O. compliance checklist from the State of Minnesota Department of Revenue. If the County accepts \$500,000 in bonds for the Caring Hands Dental Center, which is currently being considered by the legislature, the County will need to allow them to build the clinic on Pipestone County property. Consensus of the board to explore the option of placing the clinic by the Southwest Health and Human Services building. Motion by Kooiman, seconded by Hollingsworth to add language that the Caring Hands Dental Clinic shall be placed on Pipestone County property on the G.O. compliance checklist. Motion carried unanimously.

WHITE HOUSE INVITATION

Commissioners discussed the invitation that they received to tour the White House on May 31, 2018. The White House is taking turns inviting Commissioners from different States.

LETTER OF SUPPORT REQUEST

Administrator Steve Ewing requested approval to submit a letter of support for the Superintendent Home Reconstruction which is owned by the Pipestone Indian Shrine

Association. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Hollingsworth to approve the letter of support.

Motion carried unanimously.

PERSONNEL

Human Resources Coordinator Cathy Feste announced that Morgan DeRuyter will be starting as the Extension Seasonal Program Assistant later this month and Trevor Locher will be starting as the seasonal Temporary Highway Worker.

RELAY FOR LIFE

Motion by Kooiman, seconded by Hollingsworth to authorize the use of the Courthouse grounds for Relay for Life on Thursday, June 28, 2018. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioners reported on the following Committee Meetings:

Commissioner Johnson: District 8 Land Use, AREA II, RCRCA, MN Hospital Association Trustee Council, One Watershed One Plan, Soil and Water District, Stoneray Meeting, Lincoln/Pipestone County Ditch Meeting, One Watershed One Plan, Prime Health, Tour at Hospital with Senator Klobuchar

Commissioner Hollingsworth: Law Enforcement Liaison Meeting, PCMC, Southwestern Mental Health, PCMC board meeting, Building Committee, Senator Klobuchar

Commissioner Kooiman: Hospital Plant Operations, TruShrimp Tour, Conditional Use Permit Hearing, Hospital Personnel, Building Committee, Plum Creek Library, Amy Klobuchar

Commissioner Nath: Hospital Plant Operations, TruShrimp Tour, Primewest, Southwestern Mental Health, Soil and Water, SWHHS, ECM Conference, Building Committee, Hospital Tour with Senator Klobuchar

Commissioner Wildermuth: Solid Waste Meeting, Transit Advisory Committee, PrimeWest, Law Enforcement Liaison, Medical Executive Quality Meeting, Pipestone Area Coalition, Stoneray Meeting, Southwest 18 Mental Health Consortium, Southwest Minnesota Opportunity Council, SWHHS.

Commissioner Wildermuth announced that the Casey Jones Trail annual meeting will be on June 7, 2018 at 2:30p.m. at the Hiawatha Lodge.

Motion by Hollingsworth, seconded by Johnson to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 11:32a.m.

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Dan Wildermuth
Pipestone County Board Chair

ATTEST:

Steven Ewing
County Administrator

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