

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

AGENDA

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

CONSENT AGENDA

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

1. Approve Minutes of 2/11/20 Commissioners Meeting
2. Approve Auditors Warrants 2/18/20, 2/21/20
3. Approve Hospital Warrants in the amount of \$791,904.33

Yeas: Hollingsworth, Johnson, Nath, Wildermuth. Nay: None. Absent: Kooiman.

Motion carried.

BID OPENING DATE CHANGE

County Engineer Nick Bergman requested a new date for the Indian Lakes Trail Bid Opening. Motion by Wildermuth, seconded by Nath to set the bid opening for the Indian Lakes Trail Project for April 14, 2020 at 10:30a.m. in the Commissioners Room of the Courthouse. Yeas: Hollingsworth, Johnson, Nath, Wildermuth. Nay: None. Absent: Kooiman. Motion carried.

PAGING SYSTEM UPGRADE

Sheriff Keith Vreeman and Chief Deputy Mike Hamann presented a quote from Alpha Wireless to upgrade Pipestone County’s paging system infrastructure to a simulcast-based architecture. This upgrade will provide the consolidation of five separate paging resources and will allow countywide coverage of each Fire and EMS department in the County. The upgrade will simplify dispatcher operation, allowing faster notification of multiple-agency incidents by alerting them all at the same time rather than sending out a number of individual pages. The quote received was as follows:

<i>Alpha Wireless</i>	
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Total Equipment/Parts	\$ 45,139.31
Trade-in of Serviceable Used Equipment	- \$ 2,700.00
Shipping	\$ 1,200.00
Tax	\$ 0.00
Total Parts and Equipment	\$ 43,639.31
<i>Installation</i>	
System Staging	\$2,700.00
Licensing (add Pipestone 155.925)	\$2,500.00
Prep	\$1,000.00
Install and mobilization (three techs, three days)	\$9,700.00
Total Staging Installation, Programming	\$15,900.00
Total	\$59,539.31

Motion by Nath, seconded by Wildermuth to authorize the purchase and installation of new equipment from Alpha Wireless in the amount of \$59,539.31 in order to upgrade Pipestone County’s paging system infrastructure to a simulcast-based architecture. Yeas: Hollingsworth, Johnson, Nath, Wildermuth. Nay: None. Absent: Kooiman. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL

Human Resources Coordinator Cathy Feste requested approval to hire the top candidate from the recent Highway Maintenance Worker interviews at Step F of the current pay plan. The Personnel Committee has reviewed and approved. Motion by Nath, seconded by Hollingsworth to approve the hire of the top candidate for the Highway Maintenance Worker position at Step F on the current pay plan. Yeas: Hollingsworth, Johnson, Nath, Wildermuth. Nay: None. Absent: Kooiman. Motion carried.

WATERTOWER FESTIVAL COURTHOUSE GROUNDS USE

Motion by Hollingsworth, seconded by Wildermuth to allow the use of the Courthouse Lawn for the Watertower Festival from June 25 through June 28, 2020. Yeas: Hollingsworth, Johnson, Nath, Wildermuth. Nay: None. Absent: Kooiman. Motion carried.

AUDITOR WARRANT ADDITION

County Administrator Steve Ewing requested approval to add Great American Financial to the Auditor Warrant Listing due to the monthly lease payment billing for the

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Auditor/Treasurer copier. Motion by Nath, seconded by Wildermuth to add Great American Financial to the 2020 Auditor Warrant Listing. Yeas: Hollingsworth, Johnson, Nath, Wildermuth. Nay: None. Absent: Kooiman. Motion carried.

Motion by Hollingsworth, seconded by Wildermuth to adjourn. Yeas: Hollingsworth, Johnson, Nath, Wildermuth. Nay: None. Absent: Kooiman. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:22a.m.

Luke Johnson
Pipestone County Board Vice-Chairman

ATTEST:

Steven Ewing
County Administrator

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