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

AGENDA

Motion by Hollingsworth, seconded by Wildermuth to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- Approve Minutes of 8/11/20 Commissioners Meeting
- Auditors Warrants 8/14/20, 8/21/20
- Hospital Warrants in the amount of \$744,551.04

Motion carried unanimously.

NICK BERGMAN, HIGHWAY ENGINEER, JUDICIAL DITCH #1 REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS ENGINEERING STUDY

Engineer Bergman appeared to present a draft Request for Proposals for Professional Engineering Services for preliminary alternate solutions for flood control between Highway 30 and outlet on Pipestone County Judicial Ditch #1 within the City of Pipestone. One addition was recommended by Pipestone Monument Staff to add "wetland restoration" as part of the analysis. Also added to the proposal as available information are the stormwater discharge gates installed by the City of Pipestone. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Hollingsworth to approve the presented Request for Proposals for Judicial Ditch #1 Engineering Study with the requested additions. Motion carried unanimously.

NICK BERGMAN, HIGHWAY ENGINEER, REQUEST TO SELL SURPLUS PROPERTY

Engineer Bergman requested to advertise the surplus oil truck via MinnBid instead of sealed bids. If the sale is unsuccessful the truck will be advertised for sealed bids as previously discussed on August 11, 2020. Motion by Wildermuth, seconded by Hollingsworth to advertise on Minnbid as recommended. Motion carried unanimously.

NICK BERGMAN, HIGHWAY ENGINEER, RIGHT OF WAY PAYMENTS

Engineer Bergman presented the following for Right of Way payments on project SAP 59-599-109. Motion by Nath, seconded by Kooiman to approve Right of Way payments on project SAP 59-599-109. Motion carried unanimously.

Project	Land Owner:	Payment:
SAP 059-599-109	William R. and Virginia Riddering	\$267.50
SAP 059-599-109	Rebecca and Robert Grove	\$267.50
SAP 059-599-109	Elaine and David Scott Hoover	\$107.00
SAP 059-599-109	Barbara and Gregory A. Johnson	\$107.00
SAP 059-599-109	Kathy and Charles DeVries	\$107.00
SAP 059-599-109	Phyllis and Verlon Caskey	\$107.00
SAP 059-599-109	David and Jeri Ann Kooiman	. \$107.00

NICK BERGMAN, HIGHWAY ENGINEER COUNTY ROAD 86 FLOODING UPDATE

Engineer Bergman reported on the flooded area of County Road 86 in the Northeastern part of the county. He met with representatives of DNR and they agreed that the water has receded and that drain tiling of the area be installed. Cost estimates for county installation of the tile is estimated to be up to \$85,000 with funds to be used from the wheelage tax account.

Engineer Bergman will meet with the adjoining landowners.

NICK BERGMAN, HIGHWAY ENGINEER ROAD DUST COMPLAINT

Engineer Bergman reported a complaint on County Road 55 gravel road West of the Pipestone Area School. Trucks are using the road as way to go around the Highway 75 bridge replacement detour and creating a large amount of road dust. He will add dust control at the houses on road on the one mile stretch and submit the bill to MnDOT for possible reimbursement. Consensus of the board is to provide the requested dust control.

STEVE PIERSON, BURKE TOWNSHIP BOARD CHAIR, CASEY JONES TRAIL/DNR ROAD CROSSINGS

Mr. Steve Pierson presented information on the installation of truncated domes and a paved 60-foot-wide asphalt strip on state trail crossings at 140th Avenue in Gray Township and 150th Avenue in Burke Township where the Casey Jones Trail crosses. The townships did not give permission to the State of Minnesota / Department of Natural Resources to pave over the township roads. The asphalt is now covered with gravel and is creating a potential liability issue for the townships. Mr. Pierson requested that the Townships of Burke, Gray and Pipestone County join together to hire the Law Firm Kennedy and Graven to send a letter to the State of Minnesota/Department of Natural Resources to address concerns in a proposed draft agreement that the state developed. County Attorney Damain Sandy has been

made aware of the issue and due to required court presence he was able to attend this meeting to provide input. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Nath to jointly fund up to \$1,000 for Kennedy and Graven attorney Jason Hill to draft a letter as recommended by Mr. Pierson. Motion carried unanimously.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE ROOF PROJECT

Administrator Ewing presented a quote to re-roof 50% of the Household Hazardous Waste Facility building that was damaged by a tornado in June of 2019. Damage was reported to MCIT and the county has been paid \$25,046.55 after our \$1,000 deductible. Administrator Ewing recommended approving the quote from MLC Construction from Worthing, SD for \$38,070 for the required repairs. Motion by Nath, seconded by Hollingsworth to approve the repair project as recommended. Motion carried unanimously.

PERSONNEL

Human Resources Coordinator Cathy Feste attended the meeting remotely through Zoom to go over her 2020 budget with the board. The board thanked her for the information. No action was taken.

REQUEST FOR HOME TAX ABATEMENT PUBLIC HEARING

Administrator Ewing presented a request to schedule a home tax abatement public hearing for September 8, 2020 at 9:30 am for Rich and Ila Muyskens, Edgerton, MN. Motion by Hollingsworth, seconded by Wildermuth to schedule the public hearing as recommended. Motion carried unanimously.

2021 BUDGET PLANNING

County Administrator Steve Ewing provided an update on a number of department budgets including Southwest Health and Human Services, Community Health, County Wide Transportation, Information Technology, Data Processing, Property Casualty Insurance and Workers Compensation. No action was taken.

Motion by Nath, seconded by Hollingsworth to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:27a.m.

Bruce Kooiman ATTEST: Steven Ewing
Pipestone County Board Chairman County Administrator

Pipestone County Commissioners Special Meeting

September 1, 2020

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

BUDGET MEETINGS WITH DEPARTMENT HEADS

County Commissioners met with the following Department Heads to discuss their proposed 2021 department budgets:

Kyle Krier, Conservation, Solid Waste, Zoning, Ag Inspection Director

Casey Sievert, EMS/Emergency Management Director

Jeff Arendt, Probation Officer

Carol Scotting, Extension Office Manager

Denise Brandl, Court Administrator

Motion by Johnson seconded by Nath to adjourn. Ayes, Kooiman, Wildermuth, Johnson, Nath. Nays, none, Absent, Hollingsworth. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:46 AM.

Bruce Kooiman ATTEST: Steven Ewing

Pipestone County Board Chairman County Administrator